

**Maine InfoNet Board Meeting  
November 4, 2013  
Maine State Library  
1:30pm-3:30pm**

The Maine InfoNet Board met at the Maine State Library in Augusta on November 4, 2013 at 1:40pm.

**Members present:** Clem Guthro (by phone), Barbara McDade, David Nutty, Jennifer Lewis, Joyce Rumery, Brook Minner, Doug Macbeth, Pauline Angione, Judy Frost (by phone), Dick Thompson, Steve Podgajny (by phone)

**Maine State Library staff present:** Jaime Ritter

**Maine Infonet staff present:** James Jackson Sanborn

**Guest:** Beth Edmunds, Maine Library Commission

1. Welcome to our guest, Beth Edmunds, Chair of the Maine Library Commission: Beth conveyed that the Maine Library Commission has great appreciation for Maine Infonet but there is some confusion, especially among representatives of smaller libraries, as to what Maine Infonet is and what we do. Maine Infonet needs a better way to spread the word about their work and mission, how people can communicate with the Board, etc. There is interest in the Maine Library Commission and the Maine Infonet Board working together to spread the word about the work of Maine Infonet.

Maine Library Commission is meeting every other month, roughly, except for the summer. Meetings are at the Maine State Library.

We discussed the possibility of having a joint meeting. Joyce and Beth will plan.

2. Review of cover letter and proposals to III. David moves that the Board approves letter and proposal for system redesign, with suggested edits, and that it's sent to III this week. Barbara seconds the motion. The Board votes yes unanimously.
3. Approve minutes of October 2013: Draft minutes are in MIN Dropbox folder. Motion made by Judy, seconded by David. The board votes yes unanimously.
4. Regional focus groups – updates on first two meetings: Small crowd at the Presque Isle meeting, very successful conversation at the MASL conference last weekend. The meetings continue into December. Since we have different note takers at various meetings, Joyce asks that note takers try to group minutes by theme (MaineCat, download library, etc.) Joyce will try to compile the various minutes into one combined document. If there are action items for James or InfoNet staff that come up during the meetings, James appreciates a reminder email from the note taker.
5. Report about the Collaborations Between Maine Libraries meeting on Oct. 17: Meeting called by Bryce Cundick, librarian at UMF and the vice chair of Maine Library Association. In preparation for his upcoming leadership at Maine Library Association, his goal is to reduce organizations/ meetings throughout the state. Emphasis on bringing more academic librarians into Maine Library Association. Discussed Maine Infonet summits and other various statewide meetings that sometimes overlap in content, speakers, etc. Importance of common calendar for library events, statewide. The current calendar is passive, discussed a way to “push” calendar items to interested people. Discussing creative

ways to make Maine Library Association more vital (institutional memberships, etc.)

6. Directors' Summit update: Clem has sent out notes to remind people to register.
7. Executive Director Report: a copy of James's report is in Dropbox folder
8. Review of committee work: Public and Legislative Relations (David, Linda and Albie) have not met. Joyce and Clem are planning the Director's Summit. The MaineCat policy committee will begin to meet after the constituency meetings. Governance Committee (Steve, Barbara and Richard) have not met.
9. Review of the Strategic Priorities (ongoing): All three library district consultants, plus Janet, will be at our December 2 meeting.
10. Other Business: Barbara is investigating Zinio, a download service for popular magazines. We discussed the service and there is general support from the Board to pursue for statewide access. James will discuss the technical aspect of statewide authentication with rep.

Also seen at NELA was Boopsie, an app that makes your website mobile accessible, plus more.

ConnectME commissioned a study in broadband connectivity statewide. Results might be helpful to this Board.

David moves to adjourn. Barbara seconds. Meeting adjourned at 3:35pm.

Next meetings: Monday, December 2 at 1:30pm at the state library, Monday, January 13 at 1:30pm at the state library.