

The Maine InfoNet Board met at the University of Maine in Orono on July 21, 2010 at 1:00pm.

Members present: Richard Boulet, Director, Blue Hill Public Library; Ralph Caruso, CIO University of Maine System; Judith Frost, Director of Library Services, CMCC; Linda Lord, State Librarian; Barbara McDade, Director, Bangor Public Library; David Nutty, Director of Libraries at USM; Steve Podgajny, Director, Portland Public Library; Elizabeth Reisz, Director of Library Media Services, York Schools; and Joyce Rumery, Dean of Libraries at UM.

InfoNet staff present: James Jackson Sanborn, Executive Director; Venice Bayrd, Library Systems Manager; Nelson Eubanks, Library Systems Manager; Peter McGovern, Intern; Tim Pellet, Library Systems Specialist; and Alisia Revitt, Systems Training and Support Librarian.

Guest: Robin Cabot, IMLS Senior Program Officer, State Library Programs.

Members absent: Janet Bolduc, Librarian, Central Maine Medical Center; Clem Guthro, Director, Colby College Libraries; and Richard Thompson, Chief Information Officer, State of Maine.

Minutes:

On a motion made by Barbara and seconded by Joyce, the minutes of the June 16, 2010 meeting were unanimously approved as amended.

Staff introductions and areas of responsibility

Guest Robin Cabot introduced himself and explained his position with IMLS and the purpose of his visit to Maine.

MIN staff include Nelson Eubanks who works closely with Venice on various systems responsibilities for the library systems served by MIN, Peter McGovern, currently interning to learn more about being a systems librarian, Tim Pellet who manages electronic resources for the university system and the state of Maine, Venice Bayrd who works with Nelson on managing primarily access and delivery issues of systems as well as some acquisitions and collection development work, Alisia Revitt whose responsibilities overlap with Nelson and Venice's work - support trumps training, but also includes training, and James who provides oversight in balancing the need to keep all systems operating and providing support while at the same time moving forward on innovations to be more up-to-date with current trends. Ellen Conway, MIN staff member not present, is contracted for 10 hr/wk to provide cataloging support.

Barbara moved and Joyce seconded a motion that the Board extends our thanks to Marilyn Lutz for her years of service to Maine InfoNet.

BTOP Grant and what it means for MIN

Maine State Library has been awarded a \$1.363 million BTOP Grant for the Maine Public Library Information Commons Project. Successful round 2 proposal included a change in structure to incorporate the concept of Library Information. Barbara, Janet and James were significant contributors to the development of the project proposal. Grant will fund over 500 desktops, and laptops for public libraries as well as 11 video conferencing centers in public libraries across the state. Grant includes a project manager position and a trainer, Access to Justice and several other exciting components of delivering services to Maine citizens through public libraries.

MaineCat Access and Delivery Meeting

Meeting will be at the University of Maine's Wells Conference Center in Orono on August 2. Currently 61 people are registered. Agenda has been expanded beyond focus on current circulation, ILL, etc. to include emerging trends and systems. Need to think globally, not locally, in terms of services to patrons.

Joyce's recommendation to hold a Reference Summit will be put on a future agenda.

Executive Director Report

James spoke to several items on the report that he submitted to the Board prior to the meeting: Articles of incorporation for Maine InfoNet Collaboration have been received which means we can now officially move forward on applying for Federal 501 (c) 3.

At a meeting with Piscataquis/Somerset County Evergreen Consortium interested was expressed in future collaboration with Maine InfoNet, including SOLAR/MaineCat participation, and possibility more direct involvement.

III's responses to migration and hosting issues have been extremely slow. Purchase price quotes have been high with additional maintenance costs for add-on modules, scoping services, etc.

Exploratory conversation with R2 Consulting (New Hampshire)

R2 Consulting provides consultations on technical services and technical services work flow. They are interested in making a proposal to begin conversation about working with us.

Collection Meeting report and follow up

Defer to September agenda. Request that Board members read notes from the meeting.

Implementation Plan for Strategic Priorities

Defer to September agenda.

Other Business

Next meeting at Blue Hill on September 15.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Crawford Reisz
Recording Secretary