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Maine InfoNet Board Minutes, September 20, 2011

The Maine InfoNet Board met at the Maine State Library on September 20, 2011 at 1:39pm.

Members present: Janet Bolduc, Librarian, Central Maine Medical Center; Richard Boulet, Director, Blue Hill Public Library; Judith Frost, Director of Library Services, CMCC; Clem Guthro, Director, Colby College Libraries; Linda Lord, State Librarian; Barbara McDade, Director, Bangor Public Library; David Nutty, Director of Libraries at USM; Elizabeth Reisz, Director of Library Media Services, York Schools; Joyce Rumery, Dean of Libraries at UM via; and Richard Thompson, Member-at-Large.

InfoNet staff absent: James Jackson Sanborn, Executive Director

Members absent: Ralph Caruso, CIO University of Maine System; Steve Podgajny, Director, Portland Public Library

Minutes

On a motion made by Barbara and seconded by Linda, the minutes of the August 17, 2011 meeting were unanimously approved.

Bus Report (Rich, Dick & James)

James reviewed the DRAFT: Solar Report and Recommendations sent to Board members prior to meeting, which describes the purpose of SOLAR, assesses the benefits and problems with SOLAR, and makes recommendations for future support of SOLAR. Discussion ensued about possible charges, e.g. an initiation fee for libraries who join SOLAR, requesting SOLAR libraries commit to the van delivery system at least day/week. A number of libraries have inquired about joining SOLAR, many in areas that are not well represented at this time in Minerva. Feedback Rich received from SOLAR libraries indicated that there is still considerable confusion about what SOLAR is and how it works. Clem's motion to endorse the recommendations of the Bus Report, seconded by Joyce, was unanimously approved. David asked Rich, Dick and James to plan the agenda for a meeting of SOLAR library directors, to be convened in early 2012

Summit (Joyce and Clem)

Maine InfoNet Library Directors' Summit will be held at Colby College on November 18, 2011. There will be presentations, in the morning, on the future of Discovery Systems and of Webscale Integrated Library Systems. Jane Burke of Serials Solutions and Andrew Pace from OCLC will be the presenters. Following lunch Clem and the Director of Academic ITS at Colby College, Jason Parkhill, will lead a discussion about where technology is going.

IMLS

Maine Shared Collections Strategy project is progressing on track. A website at maineinfonet.net/mscs/ has been set up for posting of meeting summaries and project updates.

MIN Website

Goal is to contract with a third party to do the work on re-designing the InfoNet website.

OCLC Pricing Update

Proposals for replacing outdated Millennium software that have been received are untenable. The Maine Metadata Group is working on an alternative proposal.

501c3 Committee Update

James will be sending the draft of the completed IRS 1023 to Aaron Pratt for review.

Guests at upcoming meetings

Chris Maas, project manager and Helen Fogler, Director of the Dover-Foxcroft Public Library from Maine Balsam Library Consortium of public and school libraries in Central Maine will come to the October meeting in Orono.

Regular meeting time for 2012

First Wednesdays, 1:30-3:30 beginning in February. Remaining meetings in 2011: October 19 in Orono, November 9 and November 14 in Augusta. No meeting in January.

Board adjourned at 3:12.

Respectfully submitted by
Elizabeth Reisz, Recording Secretary