

**Maine InfoNet Board  
Meeting Notes  
January 8, 2018**

Present: Pauline Angione, Sarah Campbell, Nancy Grant, Marjorie Hassen, James Jackson-Sanborn, Barbara McDade, Steve Norman, Jamie Ritter, Joyce Rumery

Absent: David Nutty

The meeting was convened at 1:35.

The minutes of the December 13, 2017 meeting were approved with one change. The sentence on ebooks and K-12 was moved to the section on the Download Library.

#### Strategic plan

The Board will move ahead with a yearly strategic priority or guide. Joyce will connect with Jane Haskell again and will begin to manage the logistics. The Board will pay for her services collectively or there may be funding from the MIN budget.

We anticipate this will be a one-day session. Marjorie said that she would host and could take care of the food for the day.

#### Shared Resource acquisitions

There has been no further work on this topic since our last meeting. The Board would like to know what databases or other resources all of the libraries in the state own or subscribe to since this would be necessary information for work with vendors. Jamie reported that additional surveys of public libraries can be done. Additional surveys of other library types would also be useful. Surveys may not be the best way to get this information, maybe we need to call libraries or do listening sessions in the state.

There is now a complete list (as of 12/2017) for the UMS libraries as a result of another project. Nancy requested that the MASL 2018 fall survey include more detailed questions on the locally purchased databases. Of the 77 K-12 schools surveyed in 2017, 42 subscribe to databases beyond MARVEL! Since we have a concern that the MARVEL list of resources is not used as much as it could be we may want to have a splash page to alert users that these are licensed resources. There was some concern that this would not be a welcome addition. There will be a rebranding of MARVEL that may make it easier for users to recognize. For those libraries that add the MARVEL databases to their A to Z lists, maybe putting "provided by MARVEL" would be helpful for library staffs and patrons.

Jamie wants to work with the state procurement office to test pricing on some academic resources. Other state librarians are having similar conversations about e-resources.

We have to keep in mind that resources that may be thought of as academic are used by citizens not connected to any institution. Keeping these resources or providing new resources for all will help the economy and life-long learning.

LD 256, this legislation now requires a report by June 15, 2018 with a specific listing of all funding spent on various categories including content. This will be a title listing of all resources.

One example of a type of resource that is owned by some libraries is BiblioBoard. Belfast and Portland Public have this service which provides support for local authors, artists, musicians, and others. One question was about the use of Amazon's publishing and if that is what is needed, not a service that the library purchases.

#### Summit Subcommittee

Sarah had a conversation with Jennifer Hutchins, Director of the Maine Association of Nonprofits about potential speakers for the summit. There was no name suggested. But they also had a conversation about the topic. Following up on our previous discussion they spoke about the Millennials as a sharing generation. So what is collaboration in a new world of sharing. This is a culture shift and how does this change over all of society. What is the workplace like with the new culture?

Joyce spoke to Linda Silka, Senior Fellow at the Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions. Linda is interested and has had experience working with various population groups in her career. Joyce will speak to Linda again.

Sarah will ask Lee Rainie about others we could approach.

It might be interesting to get a business perspective on this, maybe someone from an academic economics department or a vendor like EBSCO.

Pauline noted a Pew Study: <http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2017/06/21/millennials-are-the-most-likely-generation-of-americans-to-use-public-libraries/> that may be useful to us as we explore this topic.

MASL is possibly interested in the Summit, perhaps even leading a break out or afternoon session with a school focus. School librarians have some interest in the proposed topic, although the "sharing resources" concept usually is a copyright issue on how to share without stealing.

Nancy reports that as far as dates for the Summit, most schools are now in school until the middle of the 2nd week of June and if the winter continues on its current path, it may be the end of June. Also we need to keep in mind that ALA in New Orleans is June 21-26.

Joyce will speak to Jane Haskell about this conversation to have this be a part of our strategic planning. We will need to plan for meeting with Jane or the Summit date to see if this will work for us.

## Update on the OCLC state-wide progress

OCLC got back to us and Jamie is arranging a conference call to take place as soon as possible. Generally we were disappointed in their response. It definitely did not mitigate OCLC costs for us. We are still looking at a single contract to even out expenses and bring parity to OCLC users.

By the next MIN meeting we will have a better understanding of their offer.

BPL, PPL, and MSL have started a conversation about OCLC and out-of-state ILL.

Sky River is being used by libraries in the state, but this does not open their collections to view via OCLC. We can see what libraries have used the records.

We are still working on our representation of linked data and Zepheira as a way to expose records.

## MILS MOP

There is a draft document that the committee will be working on, using the Minerva MOP as a template. Progress on the draft document

## Board Membership

Paul Hambleton, Chief Academic Officer of the Learning Systems Team Division is interested in one of the seats. He has attended a Network Maine meeting.

We need to review the other vacancies that we have and are upcoming to determine who we could approach for those seats.

We also need to determine the length of appointment for each seat. This had been determined when the Board was created, but was dropped as we worked through a new organization and Board.

## Director's report

The Encore launch will be URSUS and then Minerva. Encore will be on the library's website, but the "classic OPAC" will also be available. It has some features that we know patrons will appreciate. We also know that it is a work in progress.

CBB is reviewing the software since there was not universal agreement that it was a good interface. There is concern that it does not handle scores or sound recordings.

The Board Meeting adjourned at 3:06

## Maine InfoNet Collaborative Meeting

The meeting was convened at 3:07.

The Board subcommittee will have a phone conference next week to learn more about a book audit versus a full-fledged audit. We need to decide what we want and what is the scope and the benefit.

One impact is on getting grants, the audit is needed to apply.

We will meet with the accountant and report back to the Collaborative.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20.

**Next meeting** – February 5, 2018 at the Maine State Library