

LIBRARY BOARD OF RHODE ISLAND
Monday, March 15, 2010
Draft MINUTES

**The regular meeting of the Library Board of Rhode Island was held on
March 15, 2010 at 4:15 p.m. at the Department of Administration,
Conference Room B, Second Floor, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908**

Members Present: Kristen Chin, Ken Findlay, Ed Garcia, Phyllis Humphrey, Joan Ress Reeves, Joan Retsinas, Mary Ann Slocomb, Carol Terry, Ruth Sullivan, and Tom Viall.

Members Absent: Chair, Mark McKenney, Regina Connor, Bart Hollingsworth, Shirley Long, Alison Peirce, and Rose Ellen Reynolds

Present from the Office of Library and Information Services (OLIS):
Howard Boksenbaum, Donna DiMichele, and Debbie Cullerton

Observers: Al Arsenault, Donna Good, Student Teacher working with Donna Good

Reporting: Debbie Cullerton

Materials Distributed:

1. Agenda
2. Minutes of January 25, 2010
3. Key Bill in Congress
4. Disaster Prevention and Response for Public Records

In the absence of the Chair, Mark McKenney and the Vice-Chair Rose Ellen Reynolds the meeting was led by Joan Ress Reeves and convened at 4:25 p.m.

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AS CORRECTED

The minutes of the January 25, 2010 meeting were approved with minor corrections. Motion made by Carol Terry – Seconded by Mary Ann Slocomb Unanimously approved.

III. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – MARK MCKENNEY

In the absence of Mark McKenney there was no Chairperson's report. Joan Ress Reeves took the opportunity to report on COLA's Annual Meeting that took place on February 8, 2010.

IV. CHIEF LIBRARY OFFICER'S REPORT - HOWARD BOKSENBAUM

OLIS Changes

Gary Sasse is no longer our Director, he has gone on to work for the Finance Committee in the House. His position has been filled by Rosemary Booth Gallogly who has long been the Budget Officer. We are fortunate that Tom Mullaney who was her deputy and is now the acting Budget Officer and she are familiar with what OLIS does for a living.

OLIS has received the go ahead to finally fill that 13th FTE that we have been carrying for over a year. Federal funds will be used to fill this professional position that will include the duties of the State Data Coordinator and have responsibilities in OLIS' internal technology and Library 2.0 areas.

Disaster Prevention and Response for Public Records

Donna DiMichele briefed the Library Board on the presentation she had made to the Rhode Island League of Cities and Towns Annual Convention. The presentation on dPlan, the online disaster planning tool was well received. Hand out provided to the Library Board had key information and website links for more information.

National Network of Libraries of Medicine

Go Local, the cooperative project OLIS had been pursuing with United Way 211, Lifespan and other partners that would have linked Medline Plus and local resources online is no longer a viable project. The sponsor, National Library of Medicine has decided that was not the way they wanted to go. OLIS is now meeting with some United Way to talk about other ways of interconnecting medical and local resource databases.

Senior Outreach Project

Mary Ann Slocomb reported that the other NN/LM project, the Senior Health Information Outreach Project has been funded. The project will present classes for senior and training for public library and senior center staffs. The classes teach seniors how to access reliable data bases for health related information and will also have "Train the Trainer" sessions coordinated.

V. Committee Reports

Public Relations

Ed Garcia reported that the PR meeting on March 2nd had to be postponed, however four (4) new people have approached Mr. Garcia showing great interest in joining the Public Relations Committee. He is hoping to get new members to join.

The PR Committee has created a Twitter account called Library Board RI and Ed has been Tweeting on behalf of the Board. It can be found on the Library Board Website. <http://www.olis.ri.gov/aboutus/lbri/index.php>

Legislation

On behalf of Rose Ellen Reynolds, Mr. Boksenbaum reported on the progress of the bill to clarify language and change outmoded titles concerning OLIS. He also distributed a handout with key bills in Congress that the library community is keeping track of.

CCCC

Joan Ress Reeves reported that the CCCC is working with the Public Relations Committee on developing information in various formats for libraries to use with their local representatives. The committee will distribute this information statewide.

VI. Unfinished Business

Report of the Ad Hoc Logistics Committee

Regarding the report of the Ad Hoc Logistics Committee that was presented to the Board at January's meeting. The committee is looking for acceptance of the report.

A motion was made by Joan Ress Reeves to accept the report. Seconded by Carol Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. New Business

None.

VIII. Public Comment

None.

IX. FUTURE MEETINGS

Next meeting of the Board will be held on April 26, 2010. Howard Boksenbaum asked the Board to consider new locations as the Department of Administration is imposing new rules and restrictions on parking and room use.

X. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.