MOBIUS Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2003

Members present: George Rickerson, Jim Pakala, Stephanie Tolson, Bob Frizzell, Joni Blake, Linda Bigelow, Genie McKee, Laura Rein, Steve Stoan and Jim Cogswell

Guests present: Sara Parker, Tony Wening, Fran Stumpf, Ann Riley and Anne Barker

I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Approval of Minutes—The meeting notes from July 25, 2003 were reviewed and resulted in no additions or changes. Motion to approve minutes as written by Linda Bigelow. Seconded by Stephanie Tolson. Motion approved.

III. Reports:

A. MOREnet—Bill Mitchell unable to attend. Tony Wening reported. The bid process for their next Internet 1 access contracts is concluded. The network backbone capacity will be increasing. The Internet 2 bid is complete with Qwest as the low bidder. MOREnet was asked whether they could determine how much bandwidth a college library was using and how much was attributable to MOBIUS. At the macro level, total MOBIUS traffic consumes about 3-5 mbps of the MOREnet Backbone (about 3%). MOREnet cannot tell how much is consumed by a college library.

B. Department of Higher Education—Nancy Devino was unable to attend. No report.

C. Missouri State Library—Sara Parker. The Legislative session will be tough this year. The State Library is working to adopt laws that would revise the state depository law. The State Library is also working to improve literacy through libraries by using LSTA funds.

D. MLNC—Tracy Byerly unable to attend. Handout sent via email.

IV. Executive Director's Report—George Rickerson.

George attended the ICOLC #14. An electronic resources survey is being developed to identify those agencies that license materials to Missouri libraries and determine if the process should be reorganized. The survey will focus on area of interest rather than specific product. MOBIUS hosted an exhibit at MLA in SPRINGFIELD that highlighted Springfield-Greene County Libraries. On Oct 8th the Digitization Planning Committee met. George is serving on a search committee to identify an executive director for MLNC. Candidates are being interviewed. On Dec 15th Steve Stoan, Linda Bigelow, Gary Harris and George will meet with Innovative Interfaces, Inc. MOBIUS has two possible new members: the St. Louis Research Libraries Consortium and Evangel and Assemblies of God.

V. Handouts of MOBIUS Statistics were reviewed. One was CLP net lending and borrowing. The other was non returnables.

VI. Procedures for Changing Policies in MOBIUS—Steve Stoan. It was determined that the Council should not be involved in policies development/approvals. The committees develop policies. The EC approves policies. All directors should be involved. More discussion will follow.

VII. Joni Blake Research Project—Joni Blake. Joni is gathering dissertation ideas. Several suggestions were given by the EC.

VIII. Conference Planning Committee—Fran Stumpf. The first meeting was a planning meeting and the second was site visits. The committee recommends the Lodge of Four Seasons. The EC supports the site of the conference. The Fifth Annual Users Conference date is set for June 3, 2004 with the Council meeting on June 2, 2004. Call for proposals will go out soon. A Keynote speaker has not been confirmed yet. MACRL has requested doing presentations at the Conference. The EC supports bringing MACRL into the conference.

IX. Scheduling of next Executive Committee meetings—Steve Stoan. The next meetings of the Executive Committee will be December 3, 2003 and March 5, 2004.

X. Scheduling of next Council meeting—Steve Stoan. The next meeting of the MOBIUS Council will be held on January 30, 2004 from 1:00 – 4:00pm. Location to be determined.

XI. Collection Development Task Force—Ann Riley and Anne Barker. The committee’s report consisted of a PowerPoint presentation followed by a final report handed out to each EC member. The official name of the committee is MOBIUS Collection Management Advisory Committee

XII. ILL Load Leveling—Jim Cogswell. A proposal for non returnables only was handed out. This should be viewed as a MOBIUS concern not just a UMC-Ellis issue. This item will stay on the agenda for next EC meeting.

XIII. Adjournment—Motion to adjourn by Genie McKee. Seconded by Jim Pakala. Meeting adjourned at 2:54pm.