

MOBIUS Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes via conference call
December 7, 2007

Members Present: Richard Coughlin, Valerie Darst, Mollie Dinwiddie, Beth Fisher, Sharon McCaslin, Wendy McGrane, Julia Schneider, Stephanie Tolson

Guests: Gary Allen, Jim Cogswell, Christopher Gould

- I. The conference call began at 10:05AM.
- II. Beth Fisher discussed the possibility of the following institutions joining MOBIUS in some capacity: Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art in Kansas City, Missouri Historical Society in St. Louis, Missouri Museum of Art in St. Louis and the Missouri Botanical Garden in St. Louis. Beth wanted guidance from the Committee on how to proceed. Wendy McGrane and Mollie Dinwiddie questioned whether those libraries would be willing to loan their material and in what capacity. The Committee wanted to know what they would be expecting from MOBIUS if they became members. Beth felt that they wanted to take advantage of the union catalog and the courier service. Both Sharon McCaslin and Wendy McGrane thought all of these institutions would be valuable resources for MOBIUS. Julia Schneider and Mollie Dinwiddie also agreed. Richard Coughlin asked if they would be considered full members or cooperating partners and agreed to go forward with membership discussions with these groups. A motion was made by Mollie Dinwiddie to engage in further conversations and explore the possibility of membership with these four groups. The motion was seconded by Sharon McCaslin and the motion carried.
- III. Gary Allen and Beth Fisher discussed the relationship between III and MOBIUS. A motion was made by Jim Cogswell to have Beth Fisher, Julia Schneider and Gary Allen talk to Jerry Kline, Chairman and CEO of III, about various issues and the relationship with MOBIUS. Various statewide meetings were in the process of being organized but the Committee felt these might be premature. Mollie Dinwiddie made a motion to cancel the statewide meetings. The motion was seconded by Stephanie Tolson and the motion carried.
- IV. Beth Fisher briefly discussed the keynote speaker for the 2008 MOBIUS Annual Conference. The MACPAC Committee recommended Joan Frye Williams. MOBIUS receives LSTA funds in support of this conference and one of the requirements is a focus on technology. Other speakers had also been suggested such as Eldon Wallace and Sara Parker. Richard Coughlin suggested the speaker could address what is the future of technology and how is it developing. Mollie Dinwiddie made a motion that the Executive Committee communicate to MACPAC that for the 2008 (10th Anniversary) conference the speaker be someone with a historical perspective of MOBIUS

in addition to addressing how technology has changed. The motion was seconded by Stephanie Tolson and the motion carried. It was also suggested there could be several speakers although Beth Fisher reminded the group that there were budget limitations.

The conference call concluded at 11:10AM.

Respectfully submitted by:
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