

MOBIUS Council Meeting  
 June 2, 2009  
 Tan-Tar-A Resort, Osage Beach, MO  
 Minutes

Members Present:

Julie Andresen (via video conference)	Hannibal-LaGrange College
Shirley Baker	Washington University
B Doug Blansit (via video conference)	Kirkville College of Osteopathic Medicine
Sharon Bostick (via video conference)	University of Missouri-Kansas City
Janet Caruthers	Columbia College
James Cogswell	University of Missouri - Columbia
Richard Coughlin	Truman State University
Valerie Darst	Moberly Area Community College
Stephanie DeClue	State Fair Community College
Mollie Dinwiddie	University of Central MO
Cynthia Dudenhoffer	Central Methodist University
Erlene Dudley	William Woods University
Kathleen Finegan	Avila University
Elise Fisher	William Jewell College
Angela Gerling	Westminster College
Nan Hadley	Forest Institute of Professional Psychology
Michaela Hansen	Linn State Technical College
Laurie Hathman	Rockhurst University
Karen Horny	Missouri State University , Meyer Library
Corrie Hutchinson	Stephens College
Gordon Johnston	Three Rivers Community College
Becky Kiel	Cottey College
Mary Largent	Crowder College
Corky McCormack	Ozarks Technical Community College
Wendy McGrane	Missouri Southern State University
Eugenia McKee	Maryville University of St. Louis
Susan Morrisroe	Missouri State Library
Sheila Ouellette	St. Louis Community College
James Pakala	Covenant Theological Seminary
Pamela Reeder	Missouri Valley College
Laura Rein	Webster University Eden Theological Seminary
William Rodgers	Missouri River Regional Library
Julia Schneider	Missouri Western State University
Joel Shedlofsky	Logan College of Chiropractic
Andy Stewart	Missouri University of Science & Technology
Stephen Stoan	Drury University
Stephanie Tolson	St. Charles Community College
Sharon Upchurch	Culver-Stockton College
Elizabeth Wilson	Lincoln University
Logan Wright	Saint Paul School of Theology

Proxies Present:

Georgia Baugh (Gail Staines)	Saint Louis University
Rhonda Brown (Regina Cooper)	Springfield-Greene County Library
Lisa Farrell (Kathy Schlump)	East Central College
Robert Frizzell (Ann Sampson)	North Central Missouri College
Tony Garrett (Marilyn Rodgers)	University of Missouri – St. Louis
Gordon Johnston (Chris Burns)	Mineral Area College
Wendy McGrane (Edward Walton)	Southwest Baptist University
Rick Oliver (Joseph Marics)	Assemblies of God Theological Seminary
James Pakala (Nitsa Hindeleh)	Missouri Baptist University
James Pakala (Andrew Sopko)	Kenrick-Glennon Seminary
Laura Rein (Sharon McCaslin)	Fontbonne University
Kathy Schlump (Stephanie Tolson)	St. Charles Community College
Stephanie Tolson (Jill Nissen)	St. Louis College of Pharmacy
Lisa Wolfe (Loretta Ponzar)	Jefferson College

Guests Present:

Dr. Gary Allen	University of Missouri System
Donna Bacon	MCO
Maegan Bragg	MCO
Tracy Byerly	MLNC
Margaret Conroy	Missouri State Librarian
Beth Fisher	MCO
Joe Ford	Joseph Ford & Associates
Jessica Hammond	MCO
Jennifer Parsons	MCO
Ann Riley	University of Missouri - Columbia

- I. The meeting was called to order at approximately 1:05 p.m. by Mollie Dinwiddie.
- II. Mollie announced the proxies received prior to the meeting and stated that they were eligible to vote in place of the missing member. The additional proxies were announced from the floor and Mollie introduced the guests that were present.
- III. Mollie called for an adoption of the agenda. Valerie Darst moved to adopt the agenda. Wendy McGrane seconded. The motion passed.
- IV. Mollie called for approval of the February 6, 2009 meeting minutes. Corrections were announced from the floor. Jim Pakala moved that the corrected minutes be approved. Shirley Baker seconded. The corrected minutes for February 6, 2009 were approved.
- V. Mollie called on Julia Schneider to present the slate of nominations for the Executive Committee. Julia explained that four members were being replaced- Valerie Darst, Treasurer; Becky Kiel, Independent-at-Large representative; Wendy McGrane, Four Year Public-at-Large representative; and Julia Schneider, Past Chair. The slate was sent out in May with biographical information. The nominations are Shirley Baker, Chair Elect; Robert Frizzell, Treasurer, Jim Cogswell, Four Year Public at Large, and Joel Shedlofsky, Independent-at-Large representative. There was a call for nominations from the floor. Hearing none, Mollie accepted the slate with a motion to approve by

acclamation. It was seconded by Andy Stewart and the motion passed. Mollie congratulated the newly elected members to the Executive Committee.

#### VI. Unfinished Business

- III Contract Update (Mollie Dinwiddie) - Mollie asked Joe Ford, consultant to MOBIUS, to share an update on the Innovative Interfaces, Inc. (III) contract negotiations. Joe thanked Mollie, Beth Fisher and Erlene Dudley for their assistance with the contract. Joe reported the contract is not finished. While there is a structure in place, nothing has been signed and there are still important issues (i.e. insurance, indemnification, etc.) being incorporated into the new contract. Additional provisions being worked into the new contract include technical features (i.e. replacing existing hardware that will require III assistance to migrate data, etc.) and possibly a maintenance cap on increases that would be tied to a sliding scale to the length of the contract. Joe discussed the issue of implementing new III products and services. There are negotiations about MOBIUS libraries receiving substantial discounts for products (such as Encore) for users purchasing the product within a set time period. Joe summarized that while he could not share as much detail as he would like, the negotiations have been positive in general. Joe is hopeful that by mid-July there will be a final contract agreement. Mollie invited questions. Discussion followed. Mollie thanked Joe for all of his support and assistance with the negotiations.

- Crossroads Task Force (CRTF) update (Erlene Dudley) - June 11 will be the first meeting of the Crossroads Task Force at the MU Extension office with 10 video conference sites around the state. The first meeting will be primarily an organizational meeting to talk about the history of MOBIUS, an assessment of MOBIUS's current financial and organizational structure and a discussion of how we are going to proceed. The CRTF membership is very broad and anyone interested in the future of MOBIUS is welcome to attend the meeting.

- Advisory Committee update (Erlene Dudley) - The advisory committee orientation occurred this morning. Few comments were made about the changes. Each cluster now has a member and an alternate on the advisory committees.

- Strategic Plan sub-committee (Erlene Dudley) - The strategic plan sub-committee assigned the advisory committees to work on several items from the 2009-13 strategic plan. The advisory committees are also tasked with rewriting committee policies and procedures to follow recently developed templates.

- Financial Plan sub-committee update (Valerie Darst) - This sub-committee was formed in the past year to look at financial topics remaining after the Financial Plan Task Force developed a new assessment model. Valerie read the charge. The sub-committee has looked at a very detailed set of documents created by the MCO staff listing the MOBIUS core services broken down into nine categories. During a conference call meeting, the sub-committee decided which issues can be looked at over the next fiscal year and which issues can be delayed until later in the fiscal year.

#### VII. New Business

- Bylaws Amendments Approval (Julia Schneider) – The revisions were sent out in a document prior to the meeting. Revisions include editorial changes, adding the advisory committee policy, and changing the vote for Executive Committee officers to May from June so elected officers will be able to attend the June orientation sessions. Julia submitted the revisions to the chair for approval by the Council. Discussion followed. A request was made to change the word 'removes' to 'dissolves' in section J1. Julia agreed to the change. Another suggestion was made to make cooperating partners ex-officio members on the Executive Committee. Discussion followed. There was a unanimous show of hands to designate cooperating partners as ex-officio Executive Committee members. A concern was stated about the changes made to the treasurer position. After further discussion, it was endorsed to keep this section unchanged. Shirley Baker moved to accept the proposed bylaws with the changes as discussed. Jim Pakala called for question on the

entire document. There will be two small changes made to the draft. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

- MOBIUS Pilot Projects Task Force (Mollie Dinwiddie) - Mollie stated there is a need for a way to look at new products for MOBIUS libraries. There is a need to pursue development of other kinds of applications of products, etc. The Executive Committee will continue to review this proposal at the July 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- MOBIUS Federal Recovery Proposal (Mollie Dinwiddie) - The Executive Committee intends to put forth a proposal for stimulus money. The proposal must meet the key factors in that act; sustainability is one of those factors. Mollie asked that ideas for a 'MOBIUS project' proposal be sent to the Executive Committee chair.

VII. Chair's Report(Mollie Dinwiddie) - Mollie will be preparing a written report to send to Council before July 1. It has been a very eventful year full of challenges, collectively and individually. Mollie stated that she has enjoyed being chair over the past year and will be glad to turn it over to Erlene on July 1.

VIII. Officers' Reports - No reports.

IX. Executive Director's Report (Beth Fisher) – Beth briefly went over the last year's events and accomplishments. A few of the things accomplished: the Task Force on the Financial Plan created a new assessment model and a finance sub-committee of the Executive Committee was created to continue the work the Task Force on the Strategic Plan for 2009-2013 reviewed the strategic plan and mission statement for MOBIUS, the Bylaws committee was created, the Network Access Memorandum of Understanding was created, and the advisory committees were restructured. The MOBIUS Consortium office is now fully staffed. Two of the staff members are HDI support center analyst certified and Jessica Hammond, our newest Help Desk employee, will attend training this fall. The online help desk is now live. Since going live in January, there have been 367 tickets created. Since July of 2008, 187 WebPAC tickets have been opened. Beth reviewed some ticket statistics from the online help desk. Release 2009A from III will be out later in June. University of Missouri–Kansas City implemented III's electronic resource management product this year. A new server was purchased (Brazil). Secure Copy Protocol (SCP) was implemented to help keep files secure that are transferred to MCO for uploading. The Arthur, Archway, Swan and InnReach servers are all past end of life and need to be replaced; hopefully to be replaced in late summer or early fall. The new website went live in the spring. Some of the website's newest features include: quick links, label maker, e-Resource order forms, MOBIUS Means request form, job board, etc. There are 76 courier daily stops and one weekly stop (MCO). Two thousand new courier bags were ordered and are being used. Courier service this year resulted in 10 missed stops, 13 lost books, 21 damage reports, 10 late deliveries, and only 2 issues with drivers. Beth thanked the MCO staff for all of their efforts over the last year.

X. Advisory Committee Reports (Mollie Dinwiddie) – Prior to the Council meeting, the following reports were received and distributed from each advisory committee except the conference committee.

- MOBIUS Access Advisory Committee – Sharon Upchurch
- MOBIUS Annual Conference Planning Advisory Committee – Martha Allen
- MOBIUS Catalog Design Advisory Committee – Steve Wynn
- MOBIUS Collections Management Advisory Committee – Lori Mardis/L. Hunter Kevil
- MOBIUS Coordinators Advisory Group – Eileen Condon
- MOBIUS Electronic Resources Advisory Committee – Frank Baudino

XI. Other Reports

-IUG (Innovative Users Group) - Donna Bacon spoke for a few moments about the Users Conference in California this last spring. The 2009 release will be out soon; part A does not need to be implemented before part B. Enhancement lists are up and will be on the MCO site soon.

- Clusters

- Bridges (Jim Pakala) - Allen Mueller, director of Eden Seminary's Luhr Library, is retiring on June 30. Bob Snyders, director of Logan College Library, retires at the end of 2009. Barbara Noble began last August as library director at Harris-Stowe State University. Eden, Covenant, and Kenrick-Glennon of Bridges and St. Louis University are local hosts along with Concordia Seminary and Urshan School of Theology for the American Theological Library Association annual conference, June 17-20, 2009, at the Millennium Hotel in St. Louis.

- Archway (Stephanie Tolson) - Loretta Ponzar and Sue Morgan are retiring from Jefferson and Lisa Wolfe will be the new director.

- State Library (Margaret Conroy) – Discussed the State library's decision to contract with KCMLIN beginning July 1 for the grant to provide courier service to public libraries for two days a week. Margaret explained she learned a lot from this year's bid process for electronic databases. The decision to award Gale the contract was based on the state's University of Missouri's procurement process. It is possible the state library will rebid as soon as next year.

- EBSCO databases (Beth Fisher) – Beth has negotiated with EBSCO, MOREnet and the University of Missouri System to offer Academic Search Elite and Business Premier to MOBIUS member institutions for a discounted charge of \$672,555. If not every institution is interested, then the price will need to be renegotiated. Beth mentioned MOBIUS has a considerable reserve fund built up and that \$100,000 from reserves could be put toward the fee for the EBSCO products to reduce everyone's costs. Discussion followed from various members as to whether they used these particular products from EBSCO and how they felt about this quoted price. Valerie Darst moved for \$100,000 to be taken from the reserve fund to offset the cost of the EBSCO databases. Elizabeth Wilson seconded. The motion passed with three 'no' votes and three abstentions.

Mollie concluded by recognizing the Executive Committee members that would be rolling off this new fiscal year and awarded a medal of excellence to all of those that served with her over the last year.

## XII. Announcements

- Next Executive Committee meeting is July 17, 2009.

XIII. Julia Schneider moved to adjourn the meeting. Valerie Darst seconded. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.

The next MOBIUS Council meeting will be September 25, 2009.

Submitted by Maegan Bragg, MOBIUS Executive Assistant