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Linking Missouri's Academic Libraries

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MOBIUS Council Minutes
December 3, 1999

The MOBIUS Council met Friday, December 3, 1999 at the MOBIUS Consortium Office in Columbia. Present were:

Kathleen Finnigan	Avila College
Rita Gulstad	Central Methodist College
Pal Rao	Central Missouri State University
Carolyn Jones	Columbia College
Denise Pakala (proxy)	Covenant Theological
Barbara Schade	Crowder College
Sharon K. Upchurch	Culver-Stockton College
Steve Stoan	Drury College
Rebecca Grady	East Central College
John Gresham	Fontbonne College
Julia A. Andresen	Hannibal LaGrange
Linda Bigelow	Jefferson College
Larry Onsager	Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine
Elizabeth Wilson	Lincoln University
Shawn Strecker	Lindenwood University
Tesuk Im	Linn State Technical College
Scarlett Swall	Metropolitan Community Colleges
Chris Burns	Mineral Area Community College
Nitsa Hindeleh	Missouri Baptist College
Charles Kemp	Missouri Southern College
Julia Schneider	Missouri Western College
Valerie Darst	Moberly Area Community College
Robert Shields	North Central Missouri College
Carol Curtis	Ozarks Technical Community College
Cathye Dierberg	St. Louis Community College
Jackie Hinshaw	Stephens College
Sarah L. Cron	Southeast Missouri State University
Betty Van Blair	Southwest Baptist University
Karen Horny	Southwest Missouri State University
Gordon Johnston	Three Rivers Community College
Richard J. Coughlin	Truman State University
Martha Alexander	University of Missouri—Columbia
Jean Eisenman	University of Missouri—Rolla

Sandy Snell	University of Missouri—St. Louis
Shirley K. Baker	Washington University
Laura Rein	Webster University/Eden Theological Seminary
Lorna Mitchell	Westminster College
John Young	William Jewell College
Erlene Dudley	William Woods University
Eldon Wallace	CBHE
Andrew White	CBHE, Research Associate for Academic Affairs
George Rickerson	MOBIUS, Executive Director

Guests included:

Pat Teter	Truman State University
Gary Harris	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Paul Talaski	St. Louis Community College at Meramec
Carol Warrington	St. Louis Community College at Forest Park
Tracy Byerly	MLNC
Judy Fox	Washington University
Kathy Schlump	East Central College
Loretta Ponzar	Jefferson College

The meeting was called to order by Shirley Baker, Chair. Martha Alexander moved that the agenda be adopted. Steve Stoan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the September 10, 1999 Council meeting were approved upon a motion by Pal Rao that was seconded by Sarah Cron. (Andrew White later requested that his title be changed in the minutes to Research Associate for Academic Affairs.)

Andrew White gave a brief update report on Legislative activities related to MOBIUS. The MOBIUS budget was approved by CBHE in October and the Governor's Office has accepted the budget request. Hearings will begin in the Legislature in January.

George Rickerson presented a brief update on the Legislative budget request for MOREnet. $2 million is in the request for expanded/new services. George and Laura Rein brought the Council up to date on efforts taking place for MOREnet connectivity to MOBIUS members not currently using MOREnet as their Internet Services Provider.

Judy Fox reported on the activities of the Access Advisory Group that met October 22. The final draft of the committee's recommendation concerning charging for ILL among MOBIUS members is expected out the week of December 6, 1999. The recommendation should go to the Executive Committee in January. Judy also reviewed the usage of the

MOBIUS delivery system which appears to be a huge success. The Advisory Group will look at the use of ARIEL for document delivery by MOBIUS members and investigate a group purchase of ARIEL for document delivery, possibly through MLNC. Complete minutes of the Access Advisory Group meeting are available from the MOBIUS Office.

Pat Teter reported on the activities of the Catalog Design Advisory Group. This group has been organized and are beginning to look at cataloging and indexing issues related to the III system such as advanced key word searching, journal scoping and master record issues. Complete minutes of this Group are available from the MOBIUS Office.

Shirley Baker gave the following MOBIUS Chair report:

A MOBIUS annual meeting is being planned for the spring, 2000. Martha Alexander and Erlene Dudley are co-chairing the committee planning the event;

Cathye Dierberg and Richard Coughlin have agreed to co-chair the Long Range Planning Committee. We hope to use consultant Joe Ford on this committee in planning this process;

The MOBIUS Executive Committee has developed a "Procedure for Evaluation of the MOBIUS Executive Director". The procedure will be reviewed with UM as our host site and copies of the procedure are available from the MOBIUS Office; and

The CTI/Knight Collaborative Report meeting of higher education presidents was reported on. Andrew White will send out more information concerning the preliminary Report of this session.

George Rickerson presented the following Executive Director's report:

The MOBIUS relationship with MLNC was reviewed. The MOBIUS Executive Committee is exploring this important relationship since MOBIUS must work with MLNC in the preparation of OCLC records used for the database. The MOBIUS office is also exploring contracting out for financial services and MLNC is one possible supplier;

George and Mark Wahrenbrock attended a meeting in Chicago to share information with Illinois libraries on MOBIUS activities and its use of INNReach. Illinois is looking at the possibility of having a statewide library system similar to MOBIUS;

Meetings are being conducted with the St. Louis Red and Southwest Clusters to begin implementation of the Common Library Platform project. The "go live" date for the Central East Cluster's Arthur is January 3, 2000;

The MOBIUS Office will be alert for Y2K operational difficulties. All systems are Y2K compliant now;

Using Social Security numbers as the ID number for patrons in INNReach is being thoroughly investigated and alternative plans are being developed; and

Susan Martel, Marketing consultant, is working on the MOBIUS Newsletter prototype and an update of the MOBIUS Fact Sheet.

Erlene Dudley and Marcia Stockham from the Central East Cluster shared information with Council members on the progress of the implementation of "Arthur". Council members asked a variety of questions concerning the implementation process.

The next MOBIUS Council meeting will be March 3, 2000, 10:00 a.m. in Columbia at the MOBIUS Consortium Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Darst
MOBIUS Council Secretary