MOBIUS COUNCIL MINUTES
Lenoir Community Center
Columbia, Missouri
December 2, 2000

The MOBIUS Council met Friday, December 2, 2000 at the Lenoir Community Center in Columbia. Council representatives and/or proxies present were:

Kathleen Finegan	Avila College
Linda Medaris (proxy)	Central Missouri State University
Carolyn M. Jones	Columbia College
Andrew White	CBHE
James C. Pakala	Covenant Theological
Barbara Schade	Crowder College
Sharon K. Upchurch	Culver-Stockton College
Steve Stoan	Drury University
Becky Grady	East Central College
John Gresham	Fontbonne College
Julie Andresen	Hannibal LaGrange College
Linda Bigelow	Jefferson College
Jean L. Sidwell (proxy)	Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine
Inas El-Sayed (proxy)	Lincoln University
Shawn Strecker	Lindenwood University
Tesuk Im	Linn State Technical College
Rosemary E. Buhr	Logan College of Chiropractic
Eugenia McKee	Maryville University
Scarlett Swall	Metropolitan Community College
Chris Burns	Mineral Area Community College
Charles Kemp	Missouri Southern State College
Sara Parker	Missouri State Library
Pam Reeder	Missouri Valley College
Julia Schneider	Missouri Western State College
Valerie Darst	Moberly Area Community College
George Rickerson	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Robert M. Shields	North Central Missouri College
Julia Schneider (proxy)	Northwest Missouri State University
Carol Curtis	Ozarks Technical Community College
Jeanne Langdon	Rockhurst College
Joan Clarke	St. Charles County Community College
Ann C. Riley (proxy)	St. Louis Community College
Fran Benham	St. Louis University
Sarah Cron	Southeast Missouri State University
Karen Horny	Southwest Missouri State University
Arja Crampton	State Fair Community College
Joni Blake	Stephens College
Gordon Johnston	Three Rivers Community College

Richard Coughlin	Truman State University
Martha Alexander	University of Missouri – Columbia
Martha Alexander (proxy)	University of Missouri – Kansas City
Laura Rein	Webster University/Eden Theological Sem
Lorna Mitchell	Westminister College
John Young	William Jewel College
Erlene Dudley	William Woods University

The Chair, Sarah Cron, called the meeting to order shortly after 10:00 a.m. The Secretary announced proxies submitted to the Chair.

Linda Bigelow moved and Carolyn Jones seconded approval of the agenda as amended. Motion passed.

Charles Kemp moved and Valerie Darst seconded approval of the minutes of the September 8, 2000 Council meeting. Motion passed.

Reports

Dr. Andrew White of the Coordinating Board of Higher Education reported:

- Preparation of budgets to be proposed to the legislature is going well;
- The Governor's Conference on December 7th that will focus on the National Report Card on Higher Education (www.highereducation.org); and
- the HELIX (Higher Education & Learning Exchange) Conference is scheduled for March 22-23 at Tan-Tar-A.

Shirley Baker reported on the MOBIUS Long Range Planning Retreat held Oct. 25 & 26:

- A three-year rolling planning process was put in place.
- A formal planning document draft will be completed by February.
- It was decided that opening up membership at this time to other types of libraries would not be prudent but the issue will be revisited at future planning sessions.

(A written report on the Planning Retreat was given to the Secretary and will be kept with minutes of the meeting.)

Sarah Cron, Chair of the MOBIUS Executive Committee reported:

- Steve Stoan, Drury University, has agreed to chair the Annual Conference. Mollie Lawson, Liz Wilson and Linda Bigelow have agreed to serve with Steve on the Planning Committee.
- Communication issues continue to be an area of concern. Policies proposed by the Advisory Committees should be reviewed and suggested revisions discussed before being presented to the Council. Sharing information about MOBIUS with staff at member libraries needs to be done.

- Likewise, reporting of MOBIUS statistics and regular ILLs by member libraries is essential to provide information important for the success of MOBIUS. Starting with November statistics, data is to be submitted to the MCO (not Judy Fox). Information will be forthcoming on the procedure to follow. (Judy Fox mentioned a sheet of definitions that is available to facilitate submitting statistics as they are requested.)
- Action Item: Proposed By-law Change in the election of Advisory Committee members. Shirley Baker moved and Julie Andresen seconded approval of the proposed by-law change. Motion passed.
- Action Item: Proposed change in the policy on admission of new members (in order to simplify the process). Erlene Dudley moved and Martha Alexander seconded that the proposed change be amended to include "that the membership fee during the first year of membership will be prorated based on the month when the membership becomes active". Steve Stoan moved and Linda Bigelow seconded approval of the motion as amended. Motion passed.
- The Executive Committee, at their last meeting, reaffirmed membership in MOREnet as essential for MOBIUS members.

Sara Parker, State Librarian, reported:

- One staff member has resigned and two new staff members have been hired, a Continuing Education Consultant and an Automation Consultant.
- A Statewide Digitization Conference will be held February 8 and 9. (Attendance is by invitation so please make your interest in attending known.)
- Richard Smith at the Wolfner Library can be contacted for information on "Web Braille". More students in Missouri are gaining access to this technology and will have the expectation of continuing to use it throughout their education.

George Rickerson, MOBIUS Executive Director, reported:

- Staff changes;
- Mailing of Fall 2000 Newsletter and new fact sheet;
- Reports and presentations made in October and November at various conferences and meetings; and
- CLP implementation status.

Frequency of Council Meetings

Sarah Cron opened the floor for a discussion prompted by a motion (eventually withdrawn) at the last Council meeting that the Council meet less frequently. Discussion followed. Richard Coughlin moved and Carolyn Jones seconded a recommendation to the Executive Committee that the Council meet three times a year: fall, spring and at the Annual Conference. The recommendation was passed. Sarah announced the Executive Committee will take up the topic at their next meeting, aware that combining some Council meetings with some annual conferences or other meetings would be helpful to those concerned with reducing travel time and costs.

Reports from Advisory Committees

Judy Fox, Chair of the Access Advisory Committee, discussed the 11/1/00 draft of the proposed Lost Book Policy. Judy requested that the draft be shared with and discussed by staff of member libraries and comments be directed to cluster representatives to the Access Advisory Committee before their next meeting in late January.

Lorna Mitchell, Chair of the Electronic Resources Advisory Committee reported on progress so far and commented on the excellent support provided to the committee by MCO staff. A written report was distributed.

A written report from the Catalog Design Advisory Committee was also distributed but no oral report was presented.

Next Council Meeting
The Chair announced that the feasibility of holding the next Council meeting in conjunction with the HELIX conference in March would be explored and the next meeting date will be announced at a later time.

Adjournment
Steve Stoan moved and Valerie Darst seconded the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned shortly before noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Curtis
Secretary