

MOBIUS Board Meeting and Retreat
June 3, 2015
Holiday Inn Executive Center, Columbia, MO
Meeting Minutes
8:30 am-12 pm

## Members Present:

Donna Bacon, Executive Director	MOBIUS
Michael Davis, Public Library Representative, Term 2014-2017	Camden County Library
Eric Deatherage, At-Large Member, Term 2015-2018	Crowder College
Cindy Dudenhoffer, Past-President/2014-2016, Term 2011-2014	Central Methodist University
Lisa Farrell, At-Large Member, Term 2015-2018	East Central College
Renee Gorrell, Special Libraries Rep., Term 2015-2018	Goldfarb School of Nursing
Laurie Hathman, President /2015-2016, Academic Library Rep	Rockhurst University
Term 2013-2016	
Sharon McCaslin, Treasurer/ 2015-2016, At-Large Member,	Fontbonne University
Term 2014-2017	
Tom Peters, Vice President/ 2015-2016, At-Large Member,	MO State University
Term 2013-2016	
Bonnie Postlethwaite, At-Large Member, Term 2014-2017	University of MO-Kansas City
Ed Walton, At-Large Member, Term 2014-2017	Southwest Baptist University

## Members Absent:

Barbara Reading, Ex Officio Non-Voting	MO State Library
Fran Stumpf, At-Large Member, Term 2014-2017	State Technical College of MO

- 1. Call to order and introduction- Laurie Hathman called the meeting to order at 9:04am. Introductions were made.
- 2. Adoption of the agenda-Tom Peters moved to accept the agenda. Michael Davis seconded. The agenda was adopted.
- 3. Approval of the April 17, 2015 Board meeting minutes- Tom moved and Michael seconded that we approve the minutes as submitted. The minutes were approved as submitted.
- 4. Icebreaker- Laurie introduced her activity. Everyone was instructed to write their first name down and attribute a one word characteristic to each letter. Then, all slips of paper were put into a basket and each person drew another one from the group and read the list to the group. Ed was required to write out his full first name.
- 5. Conflict of Interest Forms- The forms were passed out at the beginning of the meeting. The document should be reviewed, signed and dated, and returned to Maegan Bragg to keep on file at the MOBIUS office.
- 6. Election of Executive Committee slate- Bonnie Postlethwaite moved and Renee Gorrell seconded to elect Fran Stumpf as secretary, Sharon McCaslin as treasurer, and Tom Peters as vice president. The



motion passed. Cindy will be the (permanent) past president again this year in lieu of Stephanie DeClue leaving William Jewell.

- 7. Review of Board member duties and Executive committee job descriptions- The job description for the past president required the removal of the first sentence of 3b stating, 'Serves as Chair of the Bylaws Committee.' Tom moved that this line be removed. Sharon seconded and the motion passed. Cindy asked about adding a line about the recently introduced committee work, but the descriptions were determined to be general and accommodating enough for the committees. Maegan will find out from past minutes when these were previously approved and remove the draft watermark and post to the website.
- 8. 2015-2018 Strategic Plan Review- this was voted on and accepted at the Monday Membership meeting. Laurie asked for volunteers to look at the communications plan and offer up any changes. Tom offered to work on this with another board member. Renee also volunteered. The current policy is on our website under the governance document section. Eric Deatherage volunteered as well. Recommendations will be made at the August meeting.

Donna offered an update on the MOBIUS website. Christina and Donna have worked on putting together a new site and will go through all their ideas with Justin post conference. The website will be rewritten as Responsive Design and so will be viewable on any device. Laurie mentioned that the strategic plan will be up on the website and people will be able to comment on it. Also, Laurie noted that a yearly session at the conference on the strategic plan to communicate all of the work being done toward it would be beneficial. Yesterday's session about the new strategic plan was encouraging with lots of attendees and questions.

- 9. Chat reference Task Force Report- This didn't go out with the other documents, so Laurie will send this out to the group post meeting. Laurie talked about their chat reference at Rockhurst. They use LibraryHelp and Chat Staff and they staff four hours a week. Lisa Farrell talked about the options that she was aware of from the report and task force. Discussion followed about the pros and cons of this service. The task force basically recommended that MOBIUS negotiate a contract for members to opt in to that would provide an off hours service. Action to take: ask Christina to move forward with finding out who would be interested, pricing, best practices, etc. Bonnie moved and Tom seconded that the board accept this recommendation. Laurie will contact Jeannette and let them know they can move forward.
- 10. Governance Policy- A discussion was held regarding communication primarily between the board and the committees and the membership.
- a. Volunteers to represent the board on new committees- E Resources- Ed Walton and Christina Virden from the MOBIUS office; User Experience and Metadata- Bonnie and Megan Durham of the MOBIUS office; Circulation and Courier- Lisa Farrell and Steve Strohl of the MOBIUS office; and ILS Marketplace- Tom and Steve Strohl of the MOBIUS office. The Finance committee will be chaired by Sharon. Eric and Renee will also serve on this committee.
- b. Committee appointments- from the membership. Laurie will communicate with the directors about who would be best for these appointments. Laurie will have the results by the August meeting.



\*Tom asked if he could investigate how widespread interest is in a shared print storage before August and seeing what is possible. George Macovech at the Colorado Alliance has a shared print trust. Cindy asked if this would create a MOBIUS collection. The answer is yes, if you keep the materials in there for a certain amount of time then it would become MOBIUS property. Donna visited Minitex in Minnesota and their facility is beautiful. The best case scenario is being able to do something in this vein in several years.

c. listservs- Donna noted that MOBIUS staff will work on shutting down the current advisory listservs in July and August and well as setting up new discussion lists for the committees.

11. Out of state members' assessment fee discussion- Donna brought a handout of different types of membership that MOBIUS has and how their assessments are configured. Full cluster member (pays for every category expense), cluster member (i.e. MERLIN- they are not hosted and have their own physical servers so do not pay our hosting fee), stand-alone member (they pay basic membership, some pay courier, and they do not pay any of the union catalog category), and finally the out-of-state model. Craig Cubic (formerly of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary) called from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Texas. They are currently on SirsiDynix, but want to join MOBIUS as a standalone Sierra system managed by MOBIUS. Chabha Hocine (former library director at Logan University) has recently called from Palmer College of Chiropractic in Iowa (also on SirsiDynix) and would like to become a stand-alone with MOBIUS hosting as well. To figure out what their assessment figure would look like, Donna proposed that these separate systems could pay for maintenance and local systems. She eliminated the cluster server cost, authority processing and cluster maintenance. III's charges for hosting and maintenance would be billed directly back to the institution. Donna would be able to help Craig on negotiating Southwest's new contract with III. MOBIUS already has courier with TX. Iowa does not currently have a courier connection, but that is something that MOBIUS is working on. STAT Courier has promised that they will go to lowa. Tom asked if the amount that Donna came to for Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary really covers MOBIUS's service to them. Donna replied that that is the purpose of the assessment as it currently stands. Bonnie asked that if this sort of thing would take off, would there be a need for more staff. Donna responded that there would be a need on the help desk and IT for sure. Discussion followed. It was suggested that we need a vision and a plan for growth. Eric noted that it's a risk to not keep growing and create unnecessary competitors. Tom moved that we create this new membership category and structure and Ed seconded. The new membership category and structure was approved. Sharon moved that we populate this new structure with Palmer College and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Renee seconded. The motion was approved. Donna will be able to negotiate with III now on behalf of Craig and will meet with Chabha next week.

- 12. Board and Membership Meetings for 2015-2016
  - a. Board meetings- August 7, October 9, December 11, February 12, April 8, and June 8
  - b. Membership meetings- October 23, March 11, and June 6
- 13. The meeting adjourned at 11:41 am.