

**Minutes**  
**MOBIUS Council**  
**February 26, 1999**

The MOBIUS Council met Friday, February 26, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. at MOREnet in Columbia, MO. Cathye Dierberg, Chair, called the meeting to order. Present were:

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| Kathleen Finegan     | Avila College                              |
| Rita Gulstad         | Central Methodist College                  |
| Pal Rao              | Central Missouri State University          |
| Carolyn Jones        | Columbia College                           |
| Per Almquist (proxy) | Covenant Theological Seminary              |
| Barbara Schade       | Crowder College                            |
| Sharon Upchurch      | Culver-Stockton College                    |
| Steven Stoa          | Drury University                           |
| Kathy Schlump        | East Central College                       |
| Davis Imler          | Fontbonne College                          |
| Julie A. Dohager     | Hannibal-LaGrange College                  |
| Martin Knorr         | Harris-Stowe State College                 |
| Linda Bigelow        | Jefferson College                          |
| Andrew Sopko         | Kenrick-Glennon Seminary                   |
| Larry Onsager        | Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine |
| Elizabeth Wilson     | Lincoln University                         |
| David R. Williams    | Lindenwood University                      |
| Tesuk Im             | Linn State Technical College               |
| Rosemary E. Buhr     | Logan College of Chiropractic Medicine     |
| Eugenia McKee        | Maryville University of St. Louis          |
| Scarlett Swall       | Metropolitan Community Colleges            |
| Chris Burns          | Mineral Area Community College             |
| Nitsa Hindeleh       | Missouri Baptist College                   |
| Charles Kemp         | Missouri Southern State College            |
| Julia Schneider      | Missouri Western State College             |
| Valerie Darst        | Moberly Area Community College             |
| Robert Shields       | North Central Missouri College             |
| Patricia Van Dyke    | Northwest Missouri State University        |
| Carol Curtis         | Ozark Technical Community College          |
| Joan Clarke          | St. Charles County Community College       |
| Cathye Dierberg      | St. Louis Community College                |
| Frances Benham       | St. Louis University                       |
| Jackie Hinshaw       | Stephens College                           |
| Arja Crampton        | State Fair Community 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 Coughlin     | Truman State University                    |
| Martha Alexander     | University of Missouri-Columbia            |
| Jean Eisenman        | University of Missouri-Rolla               |
| Sandy Snell          | University of Missouri-St. Louis           |
| Shirley Baker        | Washington University                      |
| Laura Rein           | Webster Univ./Eden Theological Seminary    |
| John Young           | William Jewell College                     |
| Eldon Wallace        | CBHE                                       |
| Barbara Reading      | Missouri State Library                     |
| George Rickerson     | MOBIUS                                     |

Observers:

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| Susan Singleton  | MLNC                          |
| Stephanie Tolson | St. Louis Community College   |
| Ann C. Riley     | St. Louis Community College   |
| Jean Rose        | Logan College of Chiropractic |
| Robin Kespohl    | MOBIUS                        |
| Mark Wahrenbrock | MOBIUS                        |
| Carol Warrington | St. Louis Community College   |

The Agenda for the meeting was adopted with an item 2A added for approval of the Council Minutes of November 24, 1998.

The minutes of the November 24, 1998 were reviewed. Martin Knorr moved that the minutes be approved as presented. Carolyn Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

George Rickerson introduced two MOBIUS staff members, Robin Kespohl and Mark Wahrenbrock.

Eldon Wallace presented a legislative update on activities concerning MOBIUS. The FY 2000 MOBIUS appropriation request of \$3.4 million is moving through both the House and Senate budget committees with few questions or discussion. The re-appropriation of the FY 1999 will be sought in the Legislature. For a full list of members of the House and Senate Budget Committee members, check out the Missouri State Government web page.

Eldon Wallace and Barbara Reading each gave information on the status of the \$1 million request for additional electronic databases through the Missouri State Library budget. This funding request is in jeopardy at this point in time. Both urged librarians to contact their presidents and legislative members to urge consideration of this request that would help all library patrons in Missouri. The additional \$1 million request is part of the Governor's Executive Budget request of \$1.76 million for electronic databases, found on page 12-11, item 43 on the request.

Steve Stoen presented an historical review of the development of the MOBIUS Union Catalog within both the MIRACL and MPALA organizations. The remaining cost of \$258,016 for the MIRACL union catalog will be picked up by MOBIUS since the MIRACL libraries agreed to turn over the system to MOBIUS to be in the MOBIUS union catalog.

Cathye Dierberg reviewed the Duties of the Executive Director document (Attachment A to the agenda). This document has been reviewed and approved by the Host Site Selection Task Force, the MOBIUS Executive Committee and MU's Vice Chancellor for Information Technology. It will be appended to the Host Site Agreement.

Cathye Dierberg presented the process for selecting a Commentating Committee for Executive Committee members. Erlene Rickerson, as past Chair, will head this Committee. Council members interested in participating should contact Cathye or Erlene.

Joan Clarke reviewed the work of the Delivery System Task Force that has Robin Kespohl, Sara Parker Charles Kemp, Eldon Wallace, and Joan as members. The goal of the Task Force is to have a delivery system in place as soon as possible so that libraries can participate in the delivery system even before they become active on the common library platform system. Joan reviewed various delivery system options being considered as well as already existing contracts that might be open to MOBIUS.

Julia Schneider, Chair of the Budget Policy Task Force reviewed the work of her committee and the membership of that committee which includes George Rickerson, Eldon Wallace, Joan Clarke, John Young, and Julia. The Task Force is working on a budgetary process, policies, and timeline for activities that must be coordinated with the budgeting process of CBHE and the State Legislature.

Valerie Darst presented the MOBIUS Bylaws. The Bylaws Committee is composed of Rita Gulstad, Frances Benham, Elizabeth Wilson, and Valerie. Following discussion on the Bylaws, Martin Knur moved that the Bylaws be accepted as presented. David Imler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

George Rickerson reviewed the revised list of cluster assignments for the CLP project. A copy of this list is attached to the minutes. The MOBIUS Executive Committee through an electronic vote held February 22-24, 1999 has approved the clusters. The St. Louis region presented the biggest challenge for the cluster assignments but the staff of libraries affected worked together for an acceptable arrangement. George thanked all the people involved in working out this compromise. Martin Knur moved that the cluster arrangements be approved as presented in the revised list. Rita Gulstad seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Service Policy Agreement between the MOBIUS Consortium Office and Members of the MOBIUS Consortium was reviewed by George Rickerson. The Executive Committee has not approved this document. Input from the full Council was desired before the document was approved. A list of holidays was distributed for clarification. Two modifications were suggested: In section 6.10 the phrase "signatories to the agreement" should be substituted for the phrase "MOBIUS Executive Committee and the MOBIUS Consortium Office". In section 5.7 the phrase "and places" should be added to the end of the last sentence of the section. A suggestion was also made to consider the hours of the HelpDesk being 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. instead of 8:00-5:00. Other items discussed were the signatures required on the document, the need for a mediation process, and the impact of the proposed delivery system on the document. David Imler moved that the Executive Committee, taking all comments and suggestions by the Council into account, finalize and approve the agreement. Carolyn Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

After a short lunch break, the Council meeting resumed. Dates for the next Council meeting were discussed with April 30 being selected as the primary date and May 21 as a backup date.

George Rickerson gave a Consortium Office update that included:

- The MOBIUS web site has been updated and will be linked to the MOBIUS Union Catalog;
- The MOREnet Conference will be held March 18-19, 1999 with participation by the MOBIUS office staff and MOBIUS officers in the conference programming;

- It is projected that MOBIUS offices will be renovated and ready for occupation in mid March;

- A schedule for cluster site visits was distributed along with a proposed agenda for the meetings;

- A revised proposal is being prepared by the Innovative Interfaces, Inc. (III) to cover the final cluster arrangement and other changes that arose from the original proposal. When received it will be reviewed and evaluated by George Rickerson, Ralph Caruso, and Joe Ford;

- George distributed a handout that describes the optimum desktop machine for the CLP software and explained some of the issues described in the handout. He also responded to a question about the use of dumb terminals and why these are not good options;and

- George hopes to have a proposed implementation plan for the CLP project by the March 12 meeting of the MOBIUS Executive Committee. The plan will include elements of implementation and cluster order for initial implementation locations.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Darst  
MOBIUS Secretary