

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 Stoa 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