

MOBIUS Council Meeting
January 30, 2004
Stoney Creek Inn, Columbia, Missouri

The MOBIUS Council met January 30, 2004 at the Stoney Creek Inn in Columbia, Missouri.
Council representatives and proxies present were:

Representatives:

Kathleen Finegan	Avila University
Tony Garrett	Baptist Bible College
Rita Gulstad	Central Methodist College
Mollie Dinwiddie	Central Missouri State University
Janet Caruthers	Columbia College
Thomas Sullivan	Conception Seminary College
Rebecca Kiel	Cottey College
James Pakala	Covenant Theological Seminary
Mary Largent	Crowder College
Stephen Stoan	Drury University
Jennifer Dodillet	East Central College
Linda Bigelow	Jefferson College
MJ Poehler	Kansas City Art Institute
Elizabeth Wilson	Lincoln University
Liz MacDonald	Lindenwood University
Tezuk Im	Linn State Technical College
Jean Rose	Logan College of Chiropractic
Genie McKee	Maryville University
Linda Crabtree	Metropolitan Community Colleges
Craig Kubic	Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Chris Burns	Mineral Area College
Wendy McGrane	Missouri Southern State University
Linda Harris	Missouri State Library
Pamela Reeder	Missouri Valley College
Julia Schneider	Missouri Western State College
Valerie Darst	Moberly Area Community College
Robert Frizzell	Northwest Missouri State University
Jeanne Langdon	Rockhurst University
Frances Benham	Saint Louis University
Karen Horny	Southwest Missouri State University
Stephanie Tolson	St. Charles Community College
Cathye Dierberg	St. Louis Community College
Joni Blake	Stephens College
Gordon Johnston	Three Rivers Community College
Jim Cogswell	University of Missouri-Columbia
Andy Stewart	University of Missouri-Rolla
Amy Arnott	University of Missouri-St. Louis
Shirley Baker	Washington University
Laura Rein	Webster University
Angela Gerling	Westminster College
Erlene Dudley	William Woods University

Proxies:

Valerie Darst	Culver-Stockton College
June Williams	Fontbonne University
Valerie Darst	Hannibal-LaGrange College
Doug Blansit	Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine
June Williams	Missouri Baptist University
Sandra Brown	Southwest Baptist University
Donna Bacon	Springfield-Greene County Library
Cathye Dierberg	St. Louis College of Pharmacy
Pat Teter	Truman State University
Helen Spalding	University of Missouri-Kansas City
Kathleen Finegan	William Jewell College

Others present:

Tracy Rochow Byerly	Missouri Library Network
Fran Stumpf	Users Conference Planning Committee
Carrie Donovan	Users Conference Planning Committee
Joy Dodson	MCDAC
Bill Wibbing	MCMAC
Loretta Ponzar	MAAC
Barbara Reading	Missouri State Library
Candice Baldwin	MCC-Longview Community College
Ann Riley	St. Louis Community College – Meramec
Anne Barker	University of Missouri -- Columbia
Jim Dutton	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Terry Austin	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Gary L. Harris	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Pat Seavey	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Aimee Schumm	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Mark Wahrenbrock	MOBIUS Consortium Office
George Rickerson	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Linda Vorce	MOBIUS Consortium Office

- I. Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 1:00pm by Steve Stoan.
- II. Adoption of Agenda – Karen Horny made a motion to adopt the agenda without changes. Shirley Baker seconded. Motion passed.
- III. Approval of June 3, 2003 minutes. Linda Bigelow made a motion to accept the minutes with the changes as read. Stephanie Tolson seconded. Motion passed.
- IV. Report from Bill Mitchell – The Governor’s budget recommendation for FY05 for MOREnet has the same dollar amount as FY04. MOREnet is very pleased with this recommendation by the Governor. MOREnet is in the process of upgrading their backbone. Due to buying power and aggressive negotiations with vendors, this process is well on its way. Internet connections are more than doubling the capacity while keeping the costs the same. For additional information, visit the MOREnet website. If Senate Bill 1082 passes as it is currently written, MOREnet would cease to exist. Bill highlighted several problems with this bill and a brief history of how/why the bill came into existence. The Senate Oversight Committee requested

that MOREnet provide them with a fiscal note stating the impact this bill will have on them. MOREnet is finalizing their response via a fiscal note and comment note. This will be submitted to UM for review and processing and sent to Council as soon as it is finalized.

- V. Report from Executive Director – George Rickerson
 - A. De-duping Project – The MOBIUS Union Catalog de-duping project resulted in more than 87% of the 930,000 records sent to OCLC returned with OCLC numbers.
 - B. SLRLC –The St. Louis Research Library Consortium members are currently seeking grant funding to support joining MOBIUS. Connie Wolf (Missouri Botanical Garden) retired on January 1, 2004.
 - C. Innovative Interfaces Inc. visits – Gary Harris, Steve Stoan and Linda Bigelow visited Innovative Interfaces, Inc. headquarters on December 15, 2003. George met with Jerry Kline in San Diego, CA on January 12, 2004. A new maintenance agreement will be negotiated this spring.
 - D. Membership – Baptist Bible College is being implemented. They are scheduled to go-live on March 31, 2004. Kansas City Art Institute has secured funding. An implementation schedule is being developed.
 - E. FY2005 Funding, Budget & Legislative issues – The Governor’s recommendation for MOBIUS funding in FY05 will remain the same. FY2005 assessment estimates will be distributed in February 2004. A draft budget for FY2005 is being compiled. This will be used to calculate the assessments. HB1169 addresses how and when social security numbers may and may not be used. MOBIUS is in compliance with HB1169.
- VI. Joe Ford Consultant Report – George Rickerson. George provided background for the assessment by Joe Ford. Overall, MOBIUS has achieved its goals and there is universal agreement among members interviewed that MOBIUS is a complete success. The final report lists areas of improvement such as professional assistance on the financial side. We were able to respond immediately with the hiring of Debbie Rodman and Holly Fine both at MOREnet who are working part-time for MOBIUS. Long range planning and the development of a contingency fund are just a few of the additional goals as a result of Joe’s assessment.
- VII. SGCL and MOBIUS – Donna Bacon. They have been monitoring statistics and titles very closely. Since Springfield-Greene County Library went live on September 2, 2003, MOBIUS has become the norm as staff and patrons become more aware of it. Students seem to enjoy the drive-up windows. The items loaned to SGCL cover medicine and health, history and literature while items borrowed include fiction, popular artists, computer books and how-to materials. Springfield-Greene is a net-lender.
- VIII. Cooperative Collection Development Task Force – Ann Barker, Anne Riley. The committee submitted their final report. The MOBIUS Executive Committee has already taken the first step toward implementation of suggestions in the establishment of the MCMAC. Possible initial projects identified by the Task Force include: 1. Coordinated approach to maintaining serials subscriptions 2. Cooperative approval plan profiling in selected areas. 3. Shared storage facilities. 4. Joint digitization grants and 5. Last copy retention agreements. The Task Force’s complete report and PowerPoint presentation are available on the MOBIUS website.
- IX. Statewide Approval Plan – MCMAC Bill Wibbing. The committee is preparing to do a feasibility study to get the plan implemented. It will be on a voluntary basis. The

hope is to achieve something very worthwhile for all member libraries. Sharing information across the state is very important. A final product is unsure at this time. During the Annual Users Conference, two vendor representatives will be giving a presentation with time to ask questions. The committee will be in touch with staff in member libraries to obtain their input.

X. Reports:

- A. Missouri State Library – Linda Harris and Barbara Reading. SB1044 contains a revision to section 181, which is the part of the statutes that establishes what the State Library does for us. Agencies would now be required to send an electronic version of every publication they produce. A companion bill has also been introduced. A fact sheet will be made available to the MOBIUS Council soon. The main goal of this revision is to save expenses. The Missouri State Library is proud of their graduate level scholarships. Four recipients will attend University of Missouri-Columbia and two will attend Central Missouri State University. A new grant call will be issued in mid-February. Additional information is available on their website.
- B. MLNC – Tracy Byerly. MLNC is getting an additional OCLC Members Council delegate. This can be attributed to the additional OCLC activity generated by the Show-Me the World project. Passport for Cataloging will be available until September 2004. An OCLC Connexion Client interface will be at the workshop following the MOBIUS Users Conference on Friday, June 4th. OCLC Group Catalog has been released. The Missouri State Library was one of the first three institutions to order a group catalog. The Missouri Group Catalog creates a virtual union catalog based on the holdings of Missouri libraries in OCLC WorldCat. OCLC's Open WorldCat pilot is underway. OCLC and Google continue to work on improving the ranking of WorldCat records. Missouri Digitization Conference 2004 is February 10 – 11. Virtually Missouri now has over 100 collections listed in the Collections Inventory. There will soon be a link to a searchable metadata database on the Virtually Missouri website. MLNC will be signing an agreement with H.W. Wilson to offer online databases at a discount. MLNC continues to offer discounts on Oxford University Press products.

XI. Other Reports:

- A. Conference Planning Committee – Fran Stumpf and Carrie Donovan. A guest speaker has been secured. Julia Blixrud, Assistant Executive Director, External Relations for the Association of Research Libraries, will be speaking at the conference. She will be speaking on the topic of sustaining and improving a growing consortium. Proposals continue to be received. The committee is planning a series of programs designed especially for library deans and directors.
- B. MAAC Report – Loretta Ponzar. The committee's last meeting was at the end of October. They conducted a survey on how non-returnable Interlibrary Loans are treated. Any institution loaning at a ratio of 2:1 will be flagged and put on the List of Last Resorts. The survey also revealed that several staff did not know about the list, and some didn't report their statistics monthly. The committee took steps to alleviate both of these situations. The committee will continue to monitor this issue and will conduct this survey approximately every two years. Another item of discussion is the lost book policy. It was agreed to keep the cost the same. Institutions MUST put a block on any member with an overdue item.
- C. MERAC Report – Laurie Hathman unable to attend. Terry Austin reported. MLA Bibliographies and Art Full Text were the two databases chosen. Bids have been sent out and should be returned in mid February. The trials will then begin

and commence in April with the opportunity to purchase through May. Seven other databases are also available through the Database Cafeteria Plan. In addition, databases are available through vendor direct program. Details are available under the Resources tab on the MOBIUS website.

- D. MCDAC Report – Joy Dodson. Clickable location codes are now functioning. All gov-docs that are available online now have hotlinks that say “FREELY AVAILABLE ONLINE.” The new catalog design rolled out this past November that included new colors, new fonts and a quick-search box has been very well received.
 - E. MCMAC Report – Liz McDonald. The committee met for the first time on December 5, 2003. They discussed storage space, cooperative purchasing and funding opportunities for statewide collection analysis. A sub-committee will meet with Wanda Dole to assist in defining goals to avoid costly mistakes on March 4, 2003.
- XII. Cluster Reports:
- Archway – Stephanie Tolson reported the committee continues to meet every month. Their new member, St. Louis College of Pharmacy, caused them to revisit several things.
 - Arthur – Janet Caruthers reported they are in the process to upgrade their interface.
 - Bridges – No report.
 - Galahad – No report.
 - Lance – Pat Teter reported that the Truman documents load more quickly.
 - MERLIN – No report.
 - Quest – No report.
 - Swan – Wendy McGrane reported the new web pac is coming along. The cluster will cooperatively purchase a portable barcode scanner.
 - Towers – No report.
 - Washington University – Shirley Baker reported the largest of their 14 libraries will be rededicated.
 - Wilo – No report.
- XIII. Other Business – None
- XIV. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn meeting at 4:15pm by Rebecca Kiel. Seconded by Karen Horny. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Vorce