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## Members Present:

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Aubin, Mary Ann	Kenrick-Glennon Seminary
Baldwin, Candice	Metropolitan Community College
Baugh, Georgia	Saint Louis University
Boruff-Jones, Polly	Drury University
Brumett, Renee	Springfield-Greene County Library
Caruthers, Janet	Columbia College
Cogswell, Jim	University of MO- Columbia
Conroy, Margaret	MO State Library
Coughlin, Richard	Truman State University
Dames, Christopher	University of Missouri – St. Louis
Darst, Valerie	Moberly Area Community College
Deatherage, Eric	Crowder College
DeClue, Stephanie	William Jewell College
Dinwiddie, Mollie	University of Central Missouri
Dudenhoffer, Cynthia	Central Methodist University
Farrell, Lisa	East Central College
Gorrell, Renee	Goldfarb School of Nursing
Grogan, Angela	Westminster College
Hargrave, Robin	State Fair Community College
Hart, Kathy	Northwest Missouri State University
Haupt, Ben	Concordia Seminary
Hathman, Laurie	Rockhurst University
Hopkins, Melissa	Mineral Area College
Hutchinson, Corrie	Stephens College
Hutchison, David	Hannibal-LaGrange University
Jones, Jon	Baptist Bible College
Klebba, Lisa	Linn State Technical College
Kubic, Craig	Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
MacDonald, Liz	Lindenwood University
Mahoney, Jill	William Woods University
McCaslin, Sharon	Covenant Theological Seminary
McCormack, Corky	Ozark Technical Community College
McGrane, Wendy	Missouri Southern State University
McKee, Genie	Maryville University
Morrisroe, Susan	Missouri State Library
Offord, Jerome	Lincoln University
Oliver, Richard	Evangel University/Assemblies of God
	Theological Seminary
Ouellette, Sheila	St. Louis Community College
Pakala, James	Covenant Theological Seminary



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Peters, Tom	MO State University
Poehler, M. J.	Kansas City Art Institute
Pritchard, Lisa	Jefferson College
Prucha, Christina	Logan College of Chiropractic
Reeder, Pam	MO Valley College
Rigdon, Helen	MO River Regional Library
Sampson, Ann	North Central Missouri College
Sidwell, Jean	AT Still University
Starrett, Dave	Southeast Missouri State University
Sullivan, Thomas	Conception Abbey and Seminary
Trish, Maggie	MO University of Science & Technology
Trzeciak, Jeffrey	Washington University
Upchurch, Sharon	Culver-Stockton College
Walton, Ed	Southwest Baptist University

# Proxies Present:

Hutchison, David (for Julie Andresen)	Hannibal-LaGrange University
Baugh, Georgia (for David Cassens)	St. Louis University
Gorrell, Renee (for Marianne Cavanaugh)	Goldfarb School of Nursing
Pakala, James (for Eileen Condon)	Covenant Theological Seminary
Brummett, Renee (for Regina Cooper)	Springfield-Greene County Library
Mahoney, Jill (for Erlene Dudley)	William Woods University
McCaslin, Sharon (for Nitsa Hendeleh)	Covenant Theological Seminary
McGrane, Wendy (for Becky Kiel)	Missouri Southern State University
Oliver, Richard (for Joseph Marics)	Evangel University/Assemblies of God
	Theological Seminary
Ouellette, Sheila (for Jill Nissen)	St. Louis Community College
Dames, Chris (for Bonnie Postlethwaite)	University of Missouri – St. Louis
Starrett, Dave (for Cathy Roeder)	Southeast Missouri State University
Sullivan, Thomas (for Julia Schneider)	Conception Abbey and Seminary
Klebba, Lisa (for Fran Stumpf)	Linn State Technical College
Prucha, Christina (for Chabha Tepe)	Logan College of Chiropractic
Farrell, Lisa (for Stephanie Tolson)	East Central College
Rigdon, Helen (for Carolyn Chittenden)	MRRL

# Online Participants:

Andresen, Julie	Hannibal-LaGrange University
Chittenden, Carolyn	Camden County Public Library
Condon, Eileen	Webster University
Phillips, Mabel	Christian County Public Library



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### **Guests Present:**

Donna Bacon	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Maegan Bragg	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Justin Hopkins	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Christopher Gould	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Scott Peterson	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Blake Henderson	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Megan Durham	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Adrienne Detwiler	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Jennifer Parsons	MOBIUS Consortium Office
Sharla Lair	MOBIUS Consortium Office

- I. Welcome and Call to Order Valerie Darst called the meeting to order at 1:00 and welcomed the Membership. She announced the proxies. She welcomed the online participants and encouraged them to speak up at any time. New members attending first MOBIUS Membership meeting were introduced.
- II. Acceptance of agenda Helen Rigdon moved to accept the agenda. Wendy McGrane seconded. Motion passed.
- III. Minutes of the March 1, 2013 Membership meeting Several corrections were noted. Angela Grogan moved to adopt the minutes as corrected. Stephanie DeClue seconded. Motion passed.
- IV. Treasurer's report Action Items Completed:
  - a. Budget for FY14. The Finance Committee worked hard to keep the budget as lean as possible and realized a 4.8% increase. This budget reflects increases in III maintenance, server space needed for the new Sierra architecture, and an expected increase in payroll (in salary and benefits).
  - b. Investments. MOBIUS has been investing our Reserve Fund since July 2011 and as of April 30, 2013 we realized our initial goal for Reserves of \$1.2 million (\$1,200,968.37 to be exact). Now that we have reached our target, the work of the Disaster Task Force is crucial to moving forward and wisely planning the future target of the Reserve Fund. This task force will work on what could cause an interruption in service for MOBIUS and how best to prepare the organization to handle the situation: including financially what is necessary to address potential future emergency situations.
  - c. Assessment Model Review. The Finance Committee along with Cynthia Dudenhoffer worked to review the assessment model in order to address some



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issues that had arisen over the past few years including issues such as different membership models and ebooks. The committee presented a review to the Board in December 2012 and it was approved. The changes in the model were incorporated in the FY14 assessment. As such, some institutions were subsidized to alleviate the changes which resulted in a higher than average yearly increase. This review also led to the creation of the Associate Member status, which was previously approved by the Membership, and the removal of administrative fees for full members.

- d. Audit. The second independent audit of MOBIUS, as a non-profit organization, was completed in August 2012. MOBIUS received an unqualified opinion with a noted how MOBIUS spends approximately 95% of our expenditures on program services that directly serve and benefit our members. We were also noted for correcting issues from the previous year's audit.
- e. Action Items In-progress/Pending:
  - i. Write a procurement/purchase policy for MOBIUS in regards to goods and services.
  - ii. Work the Disaster Task Force as needed.
  - iii. Work on projects outlined in the strategic plan as directed by the Board.

### V. Old Business

a. Electronic Books Decision – Donna introduced the history of the E-book Consortial Licensing discussion.

Sharla Lair explained the specifics of the Ebsco E-book decision. The pricing may change a bit because FTEs are changing at some institutions. The Ebsco contract is a 3-year contract with no more than a 2% increase per year. After that three year period it is unclear how or if the price will go up.

Sharla worked out a formula to equate the public library populations served to the academic FTE. She explained that if some institutions choose not to participate, the overall price will not change until the overall consortium FTE changes by 10%, at which point the price will decrease by 2% and that price will be redistributed among the remaining libraries. Sharla also explained that this pricing model does not have to stand as is; it is not meant to exclude anyone.

The Ebsco e-book collection – the collection currently contains 6 different collections with 118,500 unique titles. Jim Pakala asked Sharla to clarify whether we will have the ability to add or remove collections within the three years. Sharla feels that currently, before we vote, she could easily negotiate adding small collections to the package without much or any price increase. She mentioned



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that titles will be added regularly at no extra cost. She also mentioned that titles will not be removed until after the academic term (January and June).

Cindy Dudenhoffer asked if we would be able to add sub-collections individually, we can do that on our own as individual institutions and they will integrate seamlessly into the Ebsco e-book platform.

Janet Carruthers asked how the records will be handled. Sharla said they will be in the local, cluster and INN-Reach catalogs. Donna said they will be loaded the same way that ebook records are loaded now. Donna said that when we add this Union catalog of ebooks it might be worth considering removing those that are not consortially owned in order to make it less confusing.

Sharla also mentioned that these are all multi-user titles so there will be no limit to the number of users who can use a particular book at a particular time.

Jim asked how statistics are kept if there is no checkout. Will the stats be institution-specific? Sharla said yes. She believes that the stats will be the same as if you were subscribing as an individual institution. Sharla will also be looking at ROI for this collection. Corrie Hutchinson asked about pricing for next year if an FTE changes and bumps an institution into another tier. Sharla said we will likely stay in the tier we start in, but we will address that on an institution by institution basis.

Subscription vs. Purchase – According to the vendors, publishers still have a lot of power in the e-book access arrangements. Publishers will block certain titles in collections in order to make more money on those titles.

Valerie opened the floor for discussion. Jim Cogswell moved that we vote to accept the Board's motion to move forward with the Ebsco E-book proposal. Motion passed 56 yeah votes to 4 nay votes with 4 abstentions.

Cindy recommended that we poll the institutions via email since there are many institutions that need more time to discuss this deal with others at their institution.

Janet asked if users at those institutions who opt out will still see the ebooks in the catalog. Sharla said they will see them, but not be able to authenticate to access them.

Jim Pakala moved that we proceed with the MOBIUS plan as presented and work out the details with individual institutions as necessary. Mollie seconded. Discussion – Valerie indicated that this motion states that we are willing to spread the difference in the cost among all participating members.



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After much discussion, it was decided that the original motion provides permission for Sharla, Donna and Valerie to move forward with Ebsco. Jim withdrew his motion.

- b. Human Resource Committee Update Valerie updated the membership on the progress of the committee. Health insurance has been decided. By the August meeting Bob Stephens will have options for the Board to vote on for Retirement Plan options. Valerie encouraged the MOBIUS staff to ask questions and be active in the process of voicing any concerns about their benefits.
- c. Sierra Update there was an upgrade to 1.11 that fixed a lot of the known issues. There are very few known issues left. It changed the look and fixed issues with response times. III has plans to have a new release once a month. Everyone but MERLIN is on Sierra. MERLIN is working through server issues.

Swan is having server issues as well; they need more specs on their server. The data center we use is unable to increase the specs for Swan's server. Donna explained that we have two options – host all of our servers at III or host our own virtual environment. Swan agreed to allow III to host Swan as a beta of their new hosting facility. Hosting our own virtual environment would take more money and time so we are saving that as our second option if III hosting is not an option.

Jeffrey Trezciak asked if we should look for other data centers that can handle the capacity we need. Justin Hopkins mentioned that we did an exhaustive search and would need to move to St. Louis or Kansas City to find one that could provide what we need and the cost would be much higher.

- d. Evergreen Update Donna reported that MO Evergreen is moving along well and we are still in the midst of implementations. Debbie Luchenbill is traveling and training all over the state. Most recently, Howard County Public Library and Little Dixie will go live in June. We currently have 19 libraries that have signed on. The MOBIUS Evergreen system administrator position is still open.
- e. Agreement with Innovative detailing MOBIUS issues Valerie, Cindy and Donna had a meeting with the new leadership at III. They told III their concerns about the cost of III and the impact that has on MOBIUS' sustainability and growth. III has created a team that will work with us to try to address our concerns and issues.

#### VI. New Business

a. Election Report – Stephanie DeClue reported that we had contested elections for all three open Board positions. 78% of the membership voted. Laurie Hathman of Rockhurst University was elected to the Academic Library Representative position. Tom Peters of Missouri State University was elected to the At-Large



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- Representative position. Helen Rigdon of Missouri River Regional Library was elected to the Public Library Representative position.
- b. President's Report Valerie thanked the Board members for their hard work this year. The board's work this year centered around the strategic plan, which helped to focus their work. The Board created and updated several policies for the Board Handbook: an Employee Conduct Policy, a Document Retention Policy and a Whistleblower Policy. MAAC reviewed the A/V lending policy and wrote a detailed, thorough policy for the Board to consider. The Board also adopted a Communications Plan to ensure more efficient communication between the Board and the Membership. A successful E-retreat and E-book Consortia Licensing were also accomplished this year thanks to the hard work of Sharla and Donna.
- VII. Executive Director's Report We have a new member, Evangel University as a result of a merger between Evangel University, Assemblies of God Theological Seminary, and Central Bible College. These new collections will hopefully be available by the start of the Fall 2013 semester.

Donna reported that she attended several conferences in that last few months. Kim Masana from III will be here tomorrow morning to talk at the general session.

MOBIUS has been advertising the associate membership to public libraries. Poplar Bluff has already joined as an associate member.

Donna went to Chicago to a III Inn-Reach Summit. They wanted to discuss the future of Inn-Reach. Up to this point there haven't been many updates of changes to Inn-Reach. The group talked about what they saw for the future of Inn-Reach. The group will continue to discuss Inn-Reach via a discussion group set up by III so they can stay up to date about the progress of III's work on Inn-Reach.

All clusters have spent their Inn-Appreciation Points. All points have now been used.

Donna reported she has had several discussions with Bobby Roberts at Arkansas State University. He wants to try to connect the libraries in Arkansas with our Inn-Reach.

VIII. Report from Missouri State Librarian – Valerie thanked Margaret Conroy and Susan Morrisroe for their welcome and all of the events they planned for the conference.

Margaret thanked the library community for their support as the State Library has faced budget and staffing cuts recently. Many of you wrote letters to the Secretary of State to educate him on the benefits and duties of the state library. However, due to his decisions, we will lose 10 FTE on July 1. We have some latitude with this because now the library development staff that is left will be paid by state funds. In addition,



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all of the state library folks will be on the second floor now including Wolfner Library staff.

In other news, pending the governor's signature on the budget, we will have an appropriation for our REAL databases. We are losing Newsbank and gaining Heritage quest. The public libraries will have \$800,000 distributed to them in materials funding. Margaret welcomed the MOBIUS membership to the building and encouraged everyone to take a tour.

- IX. Other Business- none
- X. Adjourn- Jim Pakala moved to adjourn. Stephanie DeClue seconded. The meeting adjourned at 3:02pm.

Submitted by: Stephanie DeClue, FY12-13 Secretary October 31, 2013

Approved at the November 8, 2013 Membership meeting.