

MORE Resource Sharing & Collection Development Meeting Minutes
July 8, 2020 2:30 pm
Virtual Zoom Meeting

PRESENT: Maureen Welch (IFLS), Lori Roholt (IFLS), Amy Stormberg (Amery), Katherine Elchert (Rice Lake), Megan Taylor (Bloomer), Hollis Helmecci (Ladysmith), Britta Kingwill (New Richmond), Kayla Campbell (Plum City), Shelly Rae (Sand Creek), Julie Woodruff (Eau Claire), Linda Heimstead (Balsam Lake), Paula Stanton (Eau Claire)

AGENDA:

Call to Order: Elchert called the meeting to order at 2:34 pm.

Roll Call/Establish a quorum: Completed.

Certification of compliance with Open Meeting Law: Compliance was verified.

Accept/modify the agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Helmecci; seconded by Stormberg. Motion carried.

Approval of minutes from February 19, 2020: Motion to approve by Elchert; seconded by Stormberg. Motion carried.

Issues from other MORE committees: None.

1. WPLC Report – Discussion (Welch): Welch shared that WPLC passed their 2021 budget, which includes a 5% increase from 2020. This increase has already been included in the 2021 MORE budget draft. It is an increase of \$6100 for the whole system. Welch also shared that digital materials usage is up & that the Macmillan embargo is over for now, as their prices have gone back to normal. There are several anti-racism books currently on Overdrive and Libby that have been made available without a waiting list. Elchert asked how we can let WPLC know how much we support & appreciate this featured collection & Welch said she would pass on the feedback.

2. Advantage Buying – Discussion (Welch): Welch shared that \$75,000 has been spent for the year so far. Some libraries donated money to the buying pool since their collection spending was lessened due to COVID-19.

3. Database Products (Lynda) – Recommendation (Welch): Welch shared that Lynda costs \$20,000 per year. The group debated whether the usage of this database justified the costs, especially when many libraries may be facing budget cuts due to COVID-19 in the upcoming years. Several members of the group felt that the extra cost was not a good idea at this time. No motion made.

4. Electronic Resources for 2021 Budget – Recommendation (Roholt): Roholt shared the 2021 Budget draft with the group for discussion. Stanton stated that with the High Demand Holds Project, she is easily able to purchase for a 1 to 5 holds ratio and is able to purchase for middle demand items as requested by Director's Council and still has a lot of leftover funds. Stanton expressed that this budget was too large for the project. Welch expressed that she is not able to reach that 1 to 5 ratio with digital materials with

her budget. Lori also stated that Freading's usage is up and that it is a pay-per-usage service. Elchert made a motion to increase the 2021 Overdrive Content by \$3000, increase Freading by \$2000, & decrease the High Demands Holds fund by \$5,000. Woodruff seconded the motion.

5. Shared Library Collections – Discussion (Helmeci): Helmeci discussed the idea of partnering with other libraries somehow so that every library didn't have to feel like they had to purchase everything, such as all types of travel books or every Amish fiction title. The group discussed the practicality of this idea and how it could possibly work. The idea was tabled.

6. Adjourn: Elchert adjourned the meeting at 3:37.

Submitted by Megan Taylor, Secretary.