

**Republican Valley Library System Board Meeting**

**November 1, 2013 10:00 am**

**North Platte Public Library**

**120 W. 4<sup>th</sup>**

**PRESENT:** Dixie Codner, Jody Crocker, Jane Hilton, Pat Hughes, Tim Johnson, Robyn Johnston, Mo Khamouna, Vicki Perrie, Sky Seery, Dana Wade

**ABSENT:** Beth Falla, Annette Eisenhart,

**ALSO PRESENT:** Denise Harders (Systems Administrator), Richard Miller (NLC Rep), Steve Batty (NLC Commissioner)

**Agenda**

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:** Mo called the meeting to order on 11.1.11 at 10:09am followed by introductions.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** (9.6.13) Dana Wade moved to accept minutes as written, Jane Hilton seconded. The minutes were approved as written.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** 45% of the car budget has been used – with a change in insurance and payment of that insurance, there will be a refund. Take out the insurance, 26% has been used. Equipment will be down, due to changes in printing for the newsletter. Insurance (Worker’s Comp) has been lowered as well. Professional Ed is slightly over, it’s done. Utilities – Windstream will be refunding money soon. We will also get money from Internet Nebraska. Pat Hughes moved to accept the financial reports, Dixie Codner seconded. The motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Thank you from Kerri Anderson (book), Beth and Lisa (ARSL Conference), Sky Seery(ARSL), Teena Hansen, President of ARSL (ARSL), Mo Khamouna (NLA).

**ADMINISTRATIONS REPORT:** Hildreth remodel, McCook update, carpet Thanksgiving weekend. Culbertson fundraiser netted nearly 10,000. WOW! New modem was installed, thanks for the patience during the installation and it works great! Denise is moved to her new house and is surrounding by boxes!

Upcoming:

Nov 4-15 Basic Skills – Programming and Outreach  
Nov 7 – Systems Reorganization Task Force meeting  
Nov 8 – RVLS MLS E-Rate Training by Crista Burns, KPL  
Nov 14 – Author Event David Vinjamuri  
Nov 15 – State Advisor Council for Libraries  
Nov 18 - System Administrators Meeting  
Nov 19 – NLC/Systems Quarterly Meeting  
Nov 26 – Library Media Meeting  
Nov 28-29 - Thanksgiving Holiday, RVLS Office Closed

Dec 2-13 – Basic Skills - Library Governance  
Dec 24 – Christmas Eve Holiday RVLS Office closed in afternoon  
Dec 25 – Christmas Holiday RVLS Office Closed  
Jan 1 – New Year’s Day Holiday RVLS Office closed  
Jan 3 – RVLS Board Meeting – Conference Call  
March 7 – RVLS Board Meeting, Elwood Public Library  
March 17 – Summer Reading Program Holdrege  
June 6 – RVLS Annual Meeting

**ELECTION of OFFICERS:**

Dana nominated Jody Crocker. Sky nominated Vicki Perrie. **President elected, Jody Crocker.**

Nominations for Vice-President, Vicki Perrie by Jane Hilton. Pat, moved nominations ceased. All were in favor of this.

**Vicki Perrie was elected as Vice-President.**

Secretary nominations, Sky Seery. Jane Hilton moved nominations ceased. Dana Wade seconded. **Sky Seery was elected Secretary.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**ARSL Conference:** Conference was sold out. It was the biggest ARSL to date. Overall, it was a success.

**NLA/NSLA Conference:** NLA/NSLA Conference review – NETA was held the week before. Maybe talk could happen between the two to collaborate. Kay did not attend this year due to budget constraints. System directors held Customer Service pre-conference.

**RVLS Technology Plan:** Committee to review and need to make new goals.

**Regional Systems Reorganization:** Task force is working, Denise attended on 10.2.13. Richard Miller will talk about it in his report.

**2013 Audit/Financial Reports:** Letter received on 8.22.13 stating a compilation review is different from audit. It's up to RVLS to make sure everything is okay. The board was given a copy of the letter. This compilation is enough to satisfy the report. First quarter money was deposited before July 1, it's listed as temporarily restricted until that year. The bus for ALA threw the report for a loop, but all is well in the end. July and August had items that were paid for in June. (From Richard, Rod understands, it's all good).

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Scholarship Policy:** Last reviewed in 2012, there hasn't been a year where the scholarship budget was completely used. The amount had been cut to 1,200. \$800 had been awarded when a request of 8 came from a library. The policy states that priority goes to an individual or institution that has not been awarded a scholarship in the last two years. The Committee is looking at putting a limit on how many from institution. There was talk of setting a date for scholarship requests for events, a number of applying per institution. Committee will meet and bring a new policy to the board next meeting.

**Summer Reading Workshop:** Holdrege has an elevator so Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup> is the date! Wear your green! Food will not be an issue – heh.

**Annual Meeting Location:** June 6<sup>th</sup>, looking for a western location. \*Cough\* **McCook** \*Cough\* Ideas were thrown around, we all will put our thinking caps on.

**Bulk Loan Report:** Contracts will renew July 1, considering adding audio books. Board was very receptive of this idea and would be up to the lending library. There was additional talk of redistributing the funds on a percentage basis for lending libraries.

#### **NLC REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:**

**School Library Grants from the Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries**, must meet criteria deadline is 12.2.13 For more info: <https://laurabushfoundation.unt.edu/lbf-grant-application>. **E-rate Training Dates** set for November. See Commission calendar for more details. Young readers Invited **to Enter Letters about Literature Contest**, see Center for the Book website or contact Mary Jo Ryan. **David Vinjamuri to speak** at Omaha Public Library's Millard Branch – November 14, 2013, register (it's free!) by contacting Manya Shorr at OPL. **Data Doodles Premiers**, blog post by John Felton consists of ILS and other info in NE libraries. Interesting stuff! **Regional Library System Configuration Task Force** begins its work, 9 members will meet again Nov 7. Lots of frank discussion will happen. **One Book One Nebraska** book chosen, it is Bob Greene's [Once Upon a Town: The Miracle of the North Platte Canteen](#). The Nebraska Center for the Book's Celebration of Nebraska Books presented awards at as well. **NCompass Live** lots of great programs coming up. As always, every Wednesday from 10-11. See the Commission website for more details. **Basic Skills** have been set and are approaching quickly, see the Commission website. Take the new **Accreditation Guidelines for a Test Drive**. **United**

**for Libraries Resources:** a reminder, see the ALA website or Rod Wagner for more info. LoC Veterans History Project, Field Kit passed out, see Nate Blum, Cong Fortenberry's office 402-438-1598.

**NLC COMMISSIONERS REPORT:**

Reminder to ask the Library Commission for a blog if interested. 47 free webinars offered in November, the Commission website has a list of them. Encourage your staff to participate in these webinars. Report your CE Credits from NLA. McCook City Library should be finished by the end of the month. Report about NLA, sessions were excellent.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** January , 2014 via teleconference.