

**South Central Regional Library Council
Board Meeting
December 16, 2011
SCRLC Martin Learning Center - Ithaca, NY**

Present

Stephen Crandall
Linda Beins
Susan Bretscher
Lisabeth Chabot
Richard Entlich
Deborah Gagnon
David Karre
John Meador
Aprille Nace
Ann Voorhees
Ristiina Wigg
Sarah Weisman

Excused:

Harry Pence
Charles O'Bryan

Staff Present:

Mary-Carol Lindbloom
Kathleen Jackson

FOR ACTION

Presiding: Steve Crandall called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Doc.#2011-72

Agenda: Correction to the agenda: December 2008 should be November 2011 for DOC.#2011 – 75.

Doc.#2011-73

Minutes, 10-28-2011: Moved to approve by Bretscher. Seconded by Gagnon. Approved.

President's Report: Farewell remarks by Steve Crandall – see Appendix #1.

Treasurer's Report: Bretscher asked for questions and comments:

Doc.#2011-74

Crandall noted that building operations on page 4 seemed slightly high for rental and Gagnon questioned professional expenses at 73%. Lindbloom will look into the rental. The \$10,000 payment to NY 3Rs contributed to SCRLC being over-budget. Once the remaining funds (RBDB & HLSP) are deposited (expected within two months), the budget may be amended.

Motion to approve the October 2011 Bill Sheet #4 made by Gagnon; seconded by Beins. Approved.

Entlich questioned the percentage used for workshop expenses and workshop receipts on pages 5 & 6. Lindbloom explained that the amount budgeted for CE had been reduced in this year's budget based on last year. There have been several workshops between the two grants. Bretscher suggested looking at that line when doing the budget adjustment.

Entlich moved to approve November 2011 Bill Sheet #5. Seconded by Gagnon. Approved.

- Doc.#2011-75** **Nominating & Board Development Committee Report – Officers for 2012:**
Beins will continue as VP; Lis as secretary. Since Crandall is no longer eligible for presidency, Voorhees contacted O’Bryan during meeting to offer him the position; he will carefully consider and let Voorhees know.
- Doc.#2011-76** **Cortland County Historical Society Membership Application:** Chabot moved to approve application, seconded by Weisman. Approved.
- Doc.#2011-81** **RBDB 2012: Bibliographic & Referral Center Contract; AskUs 24/7 Contract**
BARC: Lindbloom indicated that last year two components of the RBDB Plan-AskUs and BARC--were extracted for approval due to the budget situation. She indicated the Board could do this again or approve a preliminary budget. The Board opted to approve AskUs and BARC separately so those bills could be paid. BARC ILL was approved in the amount of \$6250 and will be handled by Broome Community College. The CDLC 3Rs Council bid on cataloging; ACITS may choose to incorporate this into the RBDB plan after further discussion and clarification as to under what circumstances it would be used. Entlich said BARC had always been perceived as a “last resort” service and that it would be useful to clarify what is meant by “last resort ILL.”
- Karre made a motion for Broome Community College to be the BARC provider for 2012 and to ask ACITS to make a recommendation of contractual agreement for cataloging. Beins seconded. Approved.
- Sarah Weisman excused herself from the meeting.*
- AskUs 24/7:** Although the invoice from WNYLRC is over \$17,000 including Cornell’s individual queue, Lindbloom explained that most of the money comes back from the members through their annual fee, thus there is \$5861 allotted in the RBDB budget. Karre commented that AskUs 24/7 is a microcosm of the macro of what the 3Rs are all about. Bretscher motioned that the Board approve the provisional budget (RBDB) as ACITS looks at the rest of database options and gets back to the board (need it for BARC & AskUs) Second Wigg. Karre commented there are unknowns – and that BARC was already passed and we don’t need to do anything more for AskUs—that we can approve that piece now. Bretscher withdrew motion – Wigg withdrew second. Bretscher motioned to pass the AskUs line on the RBDB budget. Entlich seconded. Approved.
- Advocacy Measures:** Wigg and Lindbloom discussed combining legislative breakfasts with a CE opportunity to get more people and businesses involved in carrying the momentum forward in our area. We must be active so they think of us at other times, not just at budget time (possibly Feb. and Dec.). Lindbloom wrote to all legislators re: missing money, visited Barbara Lifton on 12/15, and feels confident we will receive our money. Lifton suggested reaching out to the hospital administrators for help lobbying for HLSP. Bretscher said that administrators are lobbying for other programs and see the hospital library budget as very minor compared to other hospital needs. Wigg said the library systems face that same thing when the local public library, not the system, is the main part of the financial worry. **Chabot commented that healthy communities have healthy libraries.** Entlich wondered if there is some language in the *Plan of Service* that speaks to the value of the library’s role in the hospital. Voorhees will send a values page that Rochester created. Suggestions for ways to advocate: Reach parents of sick kids; reach people at the receiving end of hospital services; patient advocacy groups at hospitals; realtors; spouses; promote Seward as regional library champion. Phil Palmesano is on subcommittee for libraries; create I READ posters featuring legislators. Advocacy committee needs more members; set up a system directors’ meeting.

**FOR
DISCUSSION**

Board Calendar: Dates for 2012 are: Jan 27; March 23; May 18; June 15; Sept 21; Oct 26 (Annual Meeting); Dec 14. Nace will check to see if CMOG can host the Annual Meeting.

Doc.#2011-77 **ILL Report:** Tabled until next Board meeting. Beins reported a correction on page 12 (public libraries) of said report.

Steve Crandall excused himself from the meeting

Doc.#2011-78 **ILLiad Report:** Lindbloom offered a correction to the report, i.e., Alfred should be listed as an IDS participant. Lindbloom provided a brief history of ILLiad and mentioned the NY 3Rs role in exploring an alternative to LAND. The Statewide Delivery Committee is comprised of a broad array of members plus a consultant from MA for recommendations for service that can be in place by July 1, 2012. SCRLC was asked if it wanted to be a delivery hub or stop and Lindbloom said yes in order to remain in the conversation.

Doc.#2011-82 **Social Media Plan:** Asia Bonacci, completed her fall internship. She submitted a Social Media Plan and created our first LibGuide, which is on the topic of Disaster Planning and Recovery for Libraries.

**FOR
INFORMATION**

Doc.#2011-79 **Executive Director's Report:**

- In addition to the written report, SCRLC will use LSTA funds to join Amigos to reduce the speakers' fees (i.e., it is much cheaper for speakers if one is a member). This will provide access to workshops and will save money on presenters. Amigos will be doing the scanning & metadata workshops.
- My Info Quest was mentioned by Meredith Farkas at NYLA, i.e., she encouraged libraries to join.
- SCRLC Trust – still problematic; continuing to explore options. Wigg indicated that Southern Tier Library System has created a foundation to help raise funds.

Doc.#2011-80 **Advisory Committee Minutes:** No questions or comments.

Next Meeting: January 27, 2012 at SCRLC, Ithaca, NY.

Adjournment: Bretscher moved to adjourn, Wigg seconded. Adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lis Chabot
Secretary