

Minutes
ODL Board of Directors
April 4, 2007
10:00 a.m.
Cox Business Services Convention Center
American Indian Board Room
Oklahoma City, OK

Chair Judi Knapp called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked for roll call. Board members present: Duchess Bartmess, Betty Bass, Ann Geurkink, Judi Knapp, Tom Terry, and Susan McVey, ex officio. Absent: Hannibal Johnson, Wally Turner.

Guests and staff present: Karen Currie, Carol Fox, Susan Gilley, Wayne Hanway, Gary Harrington, Marilyn Hinshaw, Lela Lenore, Anne Masters, Vicki Mohr, Kitty Pittman, Vicki Sullivan, Judy Tirey, and Bill Young.

In conformity with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, advance notice of the 2007 regularly scheduled meetings was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on December 6, 2006 and public notice of this meeting, together with the agenda, was posted in prominent public view on the glass exterior walls of the Allan Wright Memorial Building, 200 N.E. 18th Street, Oklahoma City, on April 2, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. and the Native American Board Room at the Cox Business Services Convention Center. In addition, an email announcement of the meeting with agenda was sent to all Oklahoma public libraries on April 3, 2007 and the announcement of the Board meeting and agenda were posted on the ODL website on April 2, 2007, 2:00 p.m.

Knapp asked for consideration of the minutes of the February 9, 2007 meeting. Geurkink moved the minutes be approved. Bartmess seconded. Votes were as follows: Bartmess, yes; Bass, yes; Geurkink, yes; Knapp, yes; Terry, yes; Absent: Johnson, Turner. The motion passed.

McVey reported on legislation. House Bill (HB) 1715 mandates that libraries have adult supervision for children using the internet or install computer filtering technology to meet the requirements of the bill. The bill passed two committees but was not heard on the House floor before the deadline. The Legislature would have to vote to suspend the rules in order to consider the bill again this session, or it could be inserted in another piece of legislation. The bill will be a carryover bill next session.

In bills affecting boards, there is legislation that would allow board members to attend non-business meetings together, and in another, to attend board meetings via video conferencing as long as the agenda was posted at satellite locations and there was a quorum of members at one location. ODL has video conferencing capability now.

HB 1234 is an omnibus bill that would fund all state agencies with some supplemental money for this current fiscal year. Except for an increase of twenty two thousand dollars (\$22,000) for the mandated pay raise for state employees for two months, HB 1234 is a standstill budget. Sixty six million dollars (\$66,000,000) would be left to divide for new funding among agencies which

would be very competitive. The bill was vetoed except for supplementals, and it's now back to the drawing board.

Anne Masters, Associate Director, Pioneer Library System, reported on the *Siga Adelante* program in Purcell, supported with grant funds from the Gates Foundation. McClain County has a large Hispanic population of over fifteen percent and English as a Second Language (ESL) classes have been well attended. Classes began in churches and are now being held at the library. The grant has also provided for adult programming for the Hispanic community in Spanish. A four week program on family literacy will be held, with every evening meeting beginning with a meal. Emily Inlow, WebJunction representative, attended the April 16th family literacy program in Purcell to observe the pilot project. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation awarded WebJunction the grant to administer this program.

McVey reported OLA had set conference attendance records with 800 registered.

McVey announced the retirement of Information Technology Director Carol Fox, effective May 1st, 2007 and wished her well.

The Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Five Year Evaluation was distributed. The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) funding is applied for with a plan submitted every five years. Priorities or projects are set and if the money is granted, this is how the dollars will be spent. The plan is reviewed to see if the purposes of the law are met and if approved, a yearly report is submitted on how the funds were spent. The law requires a Five Year Evaluation from every state. The last Five Year Evaluation was conducted through the University of Oklahoma School of Library and Information Studies. Most of the current plan was completed in-house. An outside evaluator did an in-depth analysis of two projects that offer special services to public librarians: computer lab classes and e-rate consultation. Outcomes from the computer lab project were determined by having participants complete pre-training and post-training tests, while a cost benefit approach was used to evaluate the e-rate project. Vicki Mohr and Judy Tirey were recognized for coordination of materials and submission of the evaluation.

Preliminary audit findings from the State of Oklahoma Auditor's Office will be discussed at the June meeting.

A Nominating Committee for ODL officers was appointed: Tom Terry, Betty Bass, and Duchess Bartmess, with Bartmess to report at the June meeting.

There being no public comments, the board adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Susan McVey, Secretary