

Minutes
Oklahoma Department of Libraries
ODL Board of Directors
August 28, 2009
10:00 a.m.
Oklahoma Department of Libraries
South Conference Room

Chair Ann Geurkink called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked for roll call. Board members present: Jon Douthitt, Ann Geurkink, Tom Terry, Wally Turner, Harlene Wills, and Susan McVey, ex officio. Absent: Hannibal Johnson and Shelly Wilson.

Guests and staff members present: Connie Armstrong, Marilyn Barragree, Steve Beleu, Cynthia Black, Clif Broadworth, Adrienne Butler, Freda Chen, Linda Colbert, Phil Cooke, Karen Currie, Jan Davis, Gengy Edwards, Susan Gilley, David Hankey, Holly LaBossiere, Vicki Mohr, Michael O'Hasson, Debra Schwartz, Vicki Sullivan, Judy Tirey, Lucy Usiukiewicz, Cathy Van Hoy, and Bill Young.

In conformity with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, advance notice of the 2009 regularly scheduled meetings was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on December 11, 2008 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 NE 18th Street, Oklahoma City, on 8/27/09, 8:45 a.m. In addition, an email announcement of the meeting with agenda was sent to all Oklahoma public libraries on August 27, 2009 at 1:36 p.m. and the announcement of the Board meeting and agenda were posted on the ODL website at 9:15 a.m. on August 27, 2009.

Geurkink asked for consideration of the board minutes of the June 16, 2009 board meeting. Douthitt moved the minutes be approved. Wills seconded. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Geurkink, yes; Terry, yes; Turner, yes; Wills yes; Johnson, absent; Wilson, absent. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

McVey recognized ODL staff with service pins and certificates: Cynthia Black, Cliff Broadworth, and David Hankey, 5 years; Michael O'Hasson, 10 years; Adrienne Butler and Phil Cooke, 15 years; Linda Colbert, Lucy Usiukiewicz, 20 years; and Steve Beleu and Freda Chen, 30 years.

Bill Young displayed the 12th annual "Read* Y'all" poster with Jason White, former OU quarterback and Heisman trophy winner. The poster will debut at Encyclomedia.

Jan Davis presented the *Images of Oklahoma* and *Archives Month* posters, one featuring a picture of firemen and the other, an early day hand-drawn map of Oklahoma. The original map is housed at the Oklahoma History Center. Two thousand posters will be sent to archives, museums, school library media specialists and others.

On November 12th and 13th, ODL will host a two day event on *Oral History for the 21st Century*, at the Oklahoma History Center. Donald Ritchie, Historian for the U.S. Senate, is tentatively scheduled to be the guest speaker.

Vicki Mohr is working on broadband connection and investigating wireless connectivity for libraries through the Gates Foundation. Oklahoma did not apply for the first round of grants but will probably apply for the next round for Wi-Max technology for schools, libraries and state agencies for T-3 connections. Connectivity will vary by site and number involved. Public libraries will be included in the application.

Vicki Sullivan reported that ODL was named Federal Depository Library of the Year. The Oklahoma Department of Libraries is only the seventh library to receive this national honor from the Federal Depository Library Program. Government Printing Office officials cited ODL's training and outreach efforts in improving access to government information.

McVey asked for public comments. There were none.

Geurkink asked for consideration of the board minutes of the June 19, 2009 board meeting. Douthitt moved the minutes be approved. Wills seconded. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Geurkink, yes; Terry, yes; Turner, yes; Wills, yes; absent: Johnson, Wilson. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

Next was consideration and vote on FY2011 ODL Budget request. McVey remains optimistic that funding will rebound by next May and has asked for an increase in State Aid. This request would increase state aid twenty (20) percent from .498273 cents per capita to .60 cents per capita, and an increase for the smallest libraries from a base amount of \$1,800 to \$2,060. McVey said the ODL budget would increase from \$7.2 million dollars to \$7.6 million dollars if approved.

Terry moved that the FY2011 ODL Budget Request be approved and Douthitt seconded. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Geurkink, yes; Terry, yes; Turner, yes; Wills, yes; absent: Johnson, Wilson. The motion passed.

Tom Terry reported the Red Dirt Book Festival will be held November 6th and 7th in Shawnee at the Heart of Oklahoma Expo Center, the Citizen Potawatomi Nation Cultural Heritage Center, St. Gregory's University, and Oklahoma Baptist University. Geurkink said the Chisholm Trail History Museum, Duncan, will be holding a Chuck Wagon dinner on September 19th, and the Cherokee National Holiday will be celebrated in early September in Tahlequah and Park Hill.

Douthitt reported on First Book's "*What Book Got You Hooked?*" contest that encourages children to read. Each state participates by voting, and the state with the highest number of votes receives 50,000 free children's books to be distributed to children in need. Participants may vote daily during the contest.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. The next ODL Board Meeting will be December 4th, 2009, 10 a.m., in the south conference room of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries.

Susan McVey, Secretary