

**Minutes
Oklahoma Department of Libraries
ODL Board of Directors
March 30, 2012
10:00 a.m.
Embassy Suites Hotel**

Chairman Hannibal Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked for roll call. Board members present: Jon Douthitt, Judy Haught, Hannibal Johnson, Anne Morgan, Tom Terry, and Susan McVey, ex officio; absent: Harlene Wills and LaWalta "Wally" Turner.

Guests and staff members present: Jan Davis, Cindy Mooney, Kitty Pittman, Gary Shaffer, Vicki Sullivan, Cathy Van Hoy and Bill Young.

In conformity with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, advance notice of the 2012 regularly scheduled meetings was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on January 4, 2012 and public notice of this meeting, together with the agenda, was posted in prominent public view on the glass exterior walls of the Allen Wright Memorial Library Building, 200 NE 18th Street, Oklahoma City, March 21, 2012, 9:00 a.m. Notice of the Board meeting and an agenda were sent to all public libraries on March 23, 2012 at 10:37 a.m. The announcement of the Board meeting and agenda were posted on the ODL website at 4:30 p.m. on March 21, 2012.

Chairman Johnson asked for consideration of the minutes of the February 3, 2012 board meeting. Morgan moved to approve the minutes. Douthitt seconded the motion. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Johnson, yes; Morgan, yes; Terry, yes; Turner, absent; Wills, absent. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

Director's Report and Division Activity Reports

Susan McVey distributed a copy of the program for the International Conference of Indigenous Archives, Libraries and Museums which will be held in Catoosa Oklahoma, June 4th through June 7th, 2012. The conference is funded in part by a grant received by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries from the Institute of Museums and Library Services. She also noted that it's a three-year discretionary grant dealing with the Tribal communities in the area of archives, libraries and museums. ODL expects 600 attendees, most from out of state. Anne Morgan asked how much the grant is providing for the program. McVey replied that the total grant is around \$800,000 with about one-third going towards this conference. In addition there is revenue from registrations, exhibits, and sponsorships.

McVey provided an update on the legislative process. The proposed bills voted on in their house of origin have moved to the other chamber. Most of the bills are now being heard in committee in the opposite house. Bills that do not make it out of committee by April 12th will fail the deadline.

HB1208 is still alive. It would impact the Governor's appointment of members on governing boards. It has not yet been heard and if it fails the deadline, it will not continue. Morgan asked what would be the change from what the Governor currently does. McVey explained it would give the Governor additional authority not just to make appointments created by expiring terms or vacancies

but also to appoint and replace any gubernatorial appointees on any board or commission subject to confirmation by the Senate.

McVey mentioned there were two good pieces of legislation in the works. McVey introduced Gary Shaffer, director of the Tulsa City-County Library System. His County Commissioners asked for a bill that would change the requirement that the Chair of the County Commissioners serve on the TCCL Board. If passed, the bill would provide the County Commissioners with the option of selecting which commissioner would serve on the library board. The bill is being considered in the Senate on general order. The other bill is SB1287, which removes the requirement that municipal library board members must live within the municipality's city limits. This bill has moved to House general order.

McVey said there is no information on the budget. She said she feels until the legislators and the Governor decide on a proposed income tax cut, they won't be making any decisions on how much is available for state agencies. At this point, Representative David Dank, who is chair of the House Revenue and Taxation committee, says there may be a one percent reduction in agency funding, but there have been no appropriation bills introduced. McVey said the legislature plans to end the session around mid May.

McVey asked if there were any questions regarding the Director's Report. Morgan asked about the National Telecommunications and Information Administrative grant (OKConnect) mentioned in the report. McVey said 44 communities are included in the grant. Those communities will receive increased broadband; either lap top or desk top computers, depending on the level of their internet connection; and video-conferencing capabilities. In terms of usage, the four priorities are education, health, employment and e-government. Morgan said it's really important to publicize this information, because people think libraries are becoming obsolete. Cathy Van Hoy mentioned ODL has recently received permission to establish an OKConnect website to publicize the project throughout the state.

There was no public comment.

Consideration and possible vote on resolution for Schools and Libraries Universal Services (E-Rate) for 2012-2013 authorizing the filing of the Form 471 applications

Susan McVey said that e-rate is an important funding source for local communities. E-rate provides discounts to communities to support Internet connections to schools and libraries. This resolution is part of our OkConnect grant and authorizes our vendor to file a group application on behalf of our 44 communities to receive the higher Internet connections and necessary equipment.

Chairman Johnson asked for consideration and vote on the proposed E-Rate for 2012-2013. Morgan made the motion to approve and Douthitt seconded. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Johnson, yes; Morgan, yes; Terry, yes; Turner, absent; and Wills, absent. The E-Rate for 2012-2013 Request was approved.

Consideration and possible vote on selected projects funded by the Library Services and Technology Act federal funds

Susan McVey said many of the projects listed for federal funding are familiar ones. McVey mentioned that the OKConnect equipment is a contingency request and may not be implemented.

Chairman Johnson asked for consideration and vote on the proposed Projects funded by the Library Services and Technology Act federal funds. Douthitt made the motion to approve and Morgan seconded. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Johnson, yes; Morgan, yes; Terry, yes; Turner, absent; and Wills, absent. The proposed Projects to be funded with the Library Services and Technology Act federal funds Request were approved.

Consideration and possible vote on adopting policy to comply with Executive Order 2012-01 governing the use of tobacco product on state property.

Susan McVey said Governor Mary Fallin signed an Executive Order on February 6, 2012 governing the use of any tobacco product on state property. This policy will take effect July 1, 2012. Employees and customers will no longer be able to smoke or use tobacco anywhere on state property. Support is being offered to employees during work time to help with the transition.

Chairman Johnson asked for consideration and vote on the proposed adopted policy to comply with Executive Order 2012-01. Morgan made the motion to approve and Douthitt seconded. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Johnson, yes; Morgan, yes; Terry, yes; Turner, absent; and Wills, absent. The proposed policy to comply with Executive Order 2012-01 was approved.

Appointment of ODL Board Nominating Committee

Chairman Johnson appointed Douthitt and Haught to be the ODL Board Nominating Committee for ODL Board Officers.

Chairman Johnson announced the John Hope Franklin Center Symposium on May 30th through June 1, 2012. Most of the events will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Tulsa. Featured speakers include former Tulsa mayors Susan Savage and Kathy Taylor, former Mississippi Gov. William Winter, Oklahoma author and historian Davis Joyce, Spelman College President Beverly Daniel Tatum and former Denver Mayor, Wellington Webb. There will be a variety of workshops all focusing on reconciliation.

Chairman Johnson asked for consideration and vote to adjourn the meeting. Douthitt made the motion to approve and Morgan seconded. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Johnson, yes; Morgan, yes; Turner, absent; Wills, absent. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

The next ODL Board meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2012, 10:00 a.m., ODL, South Conference Room, 2nd floor.

Susan C. McVey, Ex Officio