

Minutes  
Oklahoma Department of Libraries  
April 2, 2014  
Tulsa Southern Hills Marriott Hotel  
Cypress Board Room  
1902 E. 71<sup>st</sup> Street  
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74136

Chairman Jon Douthitt called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and asked for roll call. Board members present: Jon Douthitt, Judy Haught, Hannibal Johnson, Phil Moss, Ann Ritchie, and Susan McVey, Secretary. Absent: Don Evans and Jana Barker.

Guests and staff members present: Wayne Hanway, Doug Haught, Cindy Mooney, Vicki Sullivan, Pat Williams, Judy Tirey, Cathy Van Hoy and William Young.

In conformity with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, advance notice of the 2014 regularly scheduled meetings was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on January 4, 2014 and public notice of this meeting, together with the agenda, was posted on March 26, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. in prominent public view on the glass exterior walls of the Allen Wright Memorial Library Building, 200 NE 18th Street, Oklahoma City. The announcement of the Board meeting and agenda were posted March 26, 2014 at 2:40 a.m. on the Oklahoma Department of Libraries (ODL) website.

Chairman Douthitt asked for consideration of the minutes for the February 21, 2014 board meeting. Johnson moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Haught. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Johnson, yes; Moss, yes; and Ritchie, yes. Absent: Jana Barker and Don Evans. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

There were no public comments.

#### Director's Report and Division Activity Reports

McVey provided an update on legislation affecting ODL Board members and libraries and library funding. A number of the bills that were discussed at the February 21, 2014 ODL board meeting did not move forward in the legislative process. A proposed change that would have mandated a video recording of agency board meetings be posted on agency websites has been delayed. Also, the bill that would have allowed individuals to sue board members for violations of the Open Meeting Act did not make the deadline.

The major change in legislation for public libraries is House Resolution 1009, which affects the funding for public library systems which receive their funding via property tax. The proposed legislation would cap the fair market value of property when a homeowner reaches sixty-five unless the property is improved or the home is sold to someone younger. Currently the cap is in place for homeowners whose income is below the median for the county, so this proposed legislation would extend this provision to all homeowners when they reach sixty-five regardless of income. Johnson asked if this represents a decrease of possible revenues going forward. McVey said yes, but ODL is not clear on how it will impact public libraries or any recipients.

Sullivan announced ODL was awarded \$365,651 from the Division of Capital Assets Management, Office Management of Enterprise Services, to repair the Records Center Annex Warehouse building owned by ODL. McVey said it took 17 years of Sullivan submitting the application and it's finally paid off. Johnson asked if enough money was received to cover the repairs. McVey said a group will be assigned to determine the actual repairs needed. Johnson asked if ODL should consider leveraging the state money to obtain a foundation grant that will provide the resources to do whatever is optimal for the building. Sullivan said the funds will be managed by OMES's Construction and Property division, so ODL does not have actual control of the funds.

Consideration and possible vote on change to the ODL Board meeting schedule in June, 2014.

Chairman Douthitt asked for consideration and vote on amendment of the ODL Board meeting June schedule. Johnson moved to adopt the proposed board meeting schedule change with the June option being Friday, June 13, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Moss seconded the motion. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Johnson, yes; Moss, yes; and Ritchie, yes. Absent: Jana Barker and Don Evans. The motion passed and the change to the ODL Board meeting June schedule was approved.

Consideration and possible vote on selected federal Library Services and Technology Act projects

McVey explained there are two federal fiscal years involved in the projects detailed in the board packet. The first set of projects is for federal funds that must be spent before the end of 2014. The second set is for projects that must be carried out by the end of 2015. Moss asked if these projects are already active. McVey said the projects listed have not begun.

Chairman Douthitt asked for consideration and vote on the federal Library Services and Technology Act projects. Moss made the motion to approve and Haught seconded. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Johnson, yes; Moss, yes; and Ritchie, yes. Absent: Jana Barker and Don Evans. The motion passed on selected federal Library Services and Technology Act projects.

Chairman Douthitt asked for consideration and vote to adjourn the meeting. Barker made the motion and Ritchie seconded. Votes were as follows: Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Johnson, yes; Moss, yes; Ritchie, yes. Absent: Jana Barker and Don Evans. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

The next ODL Board meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., at the Oklahoma Department of Library in the South Conference. Located at 200 N.E. 18<sup>th</sup>, Oklahoma City, OK 73105

  
Susan C. McVey, Secretary