

MINUTES
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR LIBRARY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
Middletown Library Service Center
June 26, 2019

Members Present:

Bridget Quinn-Carey, Melissa Canham-Clyne, Jennifer Keohane,
Kimberly Farrington, Vincent Juliano, Michele Neff, Denise Stankovics, Karen Tatarka

Members Absent:

Ramona Burkey, Patrick Ford, Karen Jensen, Astoria Ridley,

Others Present:

Lynette Baisden, Dawn La Valle, Kendall Wiggin

I. Call to Order

Melissa Canham-Clyne called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

II. Approval of Agenda

Bridget Quinn-Carey MOVED (2nd Denise Stankovics) to approve the agenda of April 17, 2019. PASSED unanimously.

III. Approval of Minutes of February 20, 2019 meeting

Denise Stankovics MOVED (2nd Karen Tatarka) to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2019 meeting. PASSED with one abstention.

IV. Public Comment

There was none.

V. GENERAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

a. Budget/State Library Report – Kendall Wiggin

Kendall Wiggin reported that no legislation in the past session affecting public libraries. Funding for library programs remained unchanged. There as an increase in the State Library's personnel line that accounts for salary increases over the next 2 years. There was also an increase in the operating budget due to increased cost for security at the State Library on Saturdays. The bond package was not taken up. \$5 million in new public library construction funding had been proposed.

There is sufficient funding from prior appropriations to fund this year's projects. However, additional funds will be needed over the next several years.

The State Librarian search committee held their first meeting on June 19 at the Wallingford Public Library. The committee will draft a job announcement, review resumes and recommend candidates to the Board in September. The Board will do final interviews with the goal naming a new State Librarian in November.

Ken is continuing his work on Measures that Matter, an initiative of the Chief Officers of State Library Agencies and the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The

Implementation Group has completed its work and a final report will be forthcoming. One main recommendation is the creation of the Public Library Data Alliance. This group will provide thought leadership, propose strategic actions, and create a communications infrastructure around data for the field.

b. researchIT CT - Connecticut Digital Library Advisory Board - Dawn La Valle
Dawn La Valle reported that the work to the RFP for researchIT CT is in progress.

VI. Old Business

a. Update EXCITE Cohort 2, Standalone Boot Camps - Dawn La Valle

The 1st EXCITE Regional Bootcamp held in New Jersey was a success. Dawn thanked Mary Chute and Peggy Cadigan from the New Jersey State Library, as well as the Monroe Township Library for their assistance. The remaining Standalone Bootcamp partners and bootcamp dates are:

- September 24-26, 2019 Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, VT
- October 15-17, 2019 Arkansas State Library
- November 13-15, 2019 Minnesota State Library
- January 14-16, 2020 Albuquerque (NM) Public Library

The participating libraries have the option to compete for an All Star EXCITE grant opportunity. The Kedge Futures School will be included in the grant project, taking the project to the next level with Natural Foresight training which IMLS was very supportive of.

b. deliverIT CT Survey and update - Dawn La Valle

Dawn reported that the results of the deliverIT CT survey found that the routes that were the most challenging along Fairfield and Greenwich, entailing a higher level of traffic had a high level of satisfaction, and the route along the shoreline of Connecticut had a level of dissatisfaction. The survey was based on the State Library Board's decision to maintain and assess no more than 3 bins a day with up to 5 day a week service. There were 135 responses to the survey.

c. New England Regional Resource Sharing Conference Planning - Dawn La Valle
The New England Regional Resource Sharing conference will take place in the fall of 2020.

d. DLD Staff update - Dawn La Valle

The State Library will be hiring a Young Adult/Children's consultant to replace Linda Williams who has retired. Former LSTA coordinator, Maria Bernier, is now the new Statewide Data Coordinator, replacing Tom Newman who retired in April. Eric Hansen will be retiring in August. Steve Cauffman has been extremely helpful in assuming some of Eric's responsibilities.

e. Resource Sharing CT Vision

The Connecticut Libraries Resource Sharing Policy states that "Connecticut's libraries willingly cooperate and collaborate with each other and affiliated organizations to

provide maximum access to materials, services and expertise for the mutual benefit of all.” The Resource Sharing Committee has been reviewing resource sharing priorities in considering a “CT Vision” and using strategic foresight exercises to develop resource sharing scenarios.

The ACLPD council reviewed and discussed the *CT Vision for Resource Sharing* document, making some suggestions for the Resource Sharing Committee.

VII. New Business

a. LSTA Urban Library Initiative Task Force - Dawn La Valle - Doc 19-1

Bridget Quinn-Carey MOVED (2nd Vince Juliano) that the Advisory Council for Library Planning and Development approves the appointment of an Urban Library Initiative Task Force to assess the needs of urban libraries and provide access to tools and continuing education that reflects their community. All in Favor.

The Connecticut Library Consortium (CLC) will be added to the list of libraries that intend to participate on the task force. The participating libraries are: New Haven, Ferguson Library (Stamford), Bridgeport, Danbury, Norwalk, Silas Bronson Library (Waterbury), New London, Russell Library (Middletown) and the Connecticut State Library.

b. Hugo Balta, CT Latino News - Library Stories Partnership -Dawn La Valle

Dawn met Hugo at the CT Department of Consumer Protection’s Cross Cultural Communications Symposium and met a week later to discuss forming a partnership to “Tell the CT Public Library Story.” DLD will work with Hugo to connect his organization with public libraries with the first opportunity being the Urban Library Task Force.

VIII. Adjournment

Karen Tatarka MOVED (2nd Michele Neff) to adjourn the meeting at 11:46 a.m. The next scheduled meeting will be held on August 21, 2019, at the Middletown Library Service Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynette Baisden, Recorder