

*Minutes of the Meeting of the
Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards
December 12, 2018 10:00 a.m.
Ohio Supreme Court, Columbus, Ohio*

The Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards (hereinafter "Consortium") held a meeting on December 12, 2018 at the Ohio Supreme Court in Columbus, Ohio. The following Board Members were in attendance: Chair Hon. Charles Schneider; Ken Kozlowski; Shara Parkomaki; and Secretary Kathleen M. Dugan. Also in attendance were Assistant Director Angela Baldree and Kari Hertel (arrived 10:03 a.m.) on behalf of the Ohio Attorney General's office. Juli Jones, Lauren Morrison, Ardis Stein, and Susan Boland participated by telephone.

Judge Schneider convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. and called for approval of the Minutes of the meeting on October 17, 2018. Upon motion of Ken Kozlowski, seconded by Shara Parkomaki, these Minutes were unanimously approved.

Angela Baldree then provided a financial report for September and October, stating that although there was no income in either month, the Consortium had ordinary expenses, and there is approximately \$300,000.00 in the consortium's fund. This is more than enough to move forward with refund grants. Upon motion by Shara Parkomaki to approve the September and October financials, seconded by Ken Kozlowski, these financials were unanimously approved.

Angela Baldree then indicated that all of the Matthew Bender order forms are in, and refund grant information has been posted to the Consortium's web site. The Consortium is still working with Lauren Morrison on a joint meeting with the ORALL County Law Library SIG to be held on April 5, 2019. Lauren Morrison indicated that the hotel will be the Cincinnati Marriott NE, and she will be sending out registration information in early January, with all reservations to go through her. Judge Schneider offered to ask his law library association to sponsor something if needed, but Mrs. Morrison indicated that the venue is free, and there will probably be a registration fee for breakfast and lunch. She is planning speakers on security issues and the new Ohio platform for access to justice, and Judge Schneider recommended a local woman who runs a highly successful blog about her reading habits.

The next item on the agenda was to authorize payment of one night's hotel stay for Consortium Board and Advisory Council members who attend the joint meeting. This policy would extend to the April 5th, 2019 and future meetings where overnight stays are granted. Shara Parkomaki made a corresponding motion, Ken Kozlowski seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

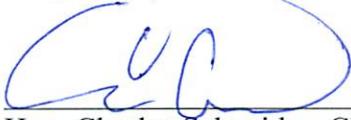
Judge Schneider then indicated that he sent out a letter, and follow-up calls were made to learn that there is not much interest for Fastcase. Angela Baldree and Jennifer Jones started calling small libraries to discuss their needs. Some told her they thought that the grants were based on need, and they had plenty of money to operate. They also learned that many small libraries are run by attorneys who do not have time to apply for grants or thought they could only apply for one thing. Judge Schneider commented that the grants are based on merit, not need, and it is not a complicated or secret process. He also stated that he realized that all 88 county law

libraries are different. Angela Baldree sent out a reminder after Thanksgiving to apply for optional grants, and Judge Schneider then indicated that the Consortium will try to do better next year in soliciting interest for these grants. He added that he has heard rumors of merger talks, and he would support collective purchasing of online databases like Westlaw, as well as expenses, including legal fees, to support mergers.

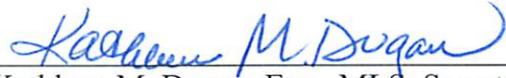
Angela Baldree then indicated that the Consortium received a proposal from OJI. Although a contract cannot be written up until after the 1st of the year, she indicated that the Consortium could approve pricing, which went up slightly. Upon motion of Ken Kozlowski, seconded by Shara Parkomaki, the Board approved the purchase of OJI, with Judge Schneider abstaining.

Judge Schneider then adjourned the meeting at 10:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Hon. Charles Schneider, Chair



Kathleen M. Dugan, Esq., MLS, Secretary