

*Minutes of the Meeting of the  
Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards  
August 23, 2013, 10:00 a.m.  
Ohio Supreme Court Law Library, Columbus, Ohio*

The Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards (hereinafter "Consortium") held a meeting at 10:00 a.m. on August 23, 2013 in the Ohio Supreme Court Law Library in Columbus, Ohio. The following Board Members were in attendance: Judge Charles Schneider; Ken Kozlowski; George Baker; John Leutz; and Kathleen M. Dugan. Also in attendance were Assistant Section Chief-Ohio Attorney General Jennifer Croskey, Judy Maxwell from the Delaware County Law Library, and Sandra Murphy, the new Librarian in Lake County. Mary Jenkins, Susan Boland and Dick Baker represented the Advisory Council by phone. Librarians on the telephone included Carla from Guernsey County, Pat Horner from Lucas County, Bill Weiss from Wayne County, Susan Bednar from Stark County, Judith Gill from Wood County, Ardis Stein from Jefferson County, Erin Bartle from Huron County, and Melissa Barney from Hamilton County.

Judge Schneider began the meeting at 10:06 a.m. and called for approval of the June 25, 2013 Minutes. Hearing no objections, Judge Schneider indicated that the Minutes would stand as approved.

Angela Baldree then presented her financial report, indicating that the Consortium has received statutory dues from 78 counties so far. Upon motion of George Baker, seconded by John Leutz, the financial report was unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Baldree then indicated that she has been working on the Consortium website and hopes to launch it with a live demonstration at ORALL in October. In addition to creating new content, she has also pulled information from the wikis previously created for the Task Force on County Law Libraries and the Ohio Law Library Consortium. Specifically, she has added a calendar with events and has almost completed the documents page.

Mrs. Croskey mentioned that although the Consortium has been permitted to create and maintain a state web page, additional questions about the Board's status as a state agency may arise in the context of a) sovereign immunity in the event it is sued and b) potential employment of persons and their entitlement to participate in OPERS. The Judge suggested that it would be a good idea to ask before these items become issues. As a result, Mrs. Croskey offered to outline the various topics that remain so that the Board can make decisions about seeking opinions where necessary.

Ms. Baldree then indicated that LibraryWorld is up for renewal in October at a cost of \$350.00 per library or \$30,000.00 for all 88 libraries, and grants to libraries that are cataloging the records will expire in December. After hearing that many libraries, including Delaware, Wayne, Guernsey, and Ashtabula, love the product, George Baker moved that the Board pay the \$30,000.00 cost of LibraryWorld for all County Law Libraries in Ohio. John Leutz seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

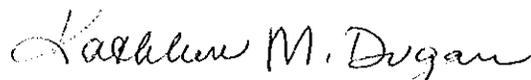
So that Ms. Baldree can complete the Consortium website and help with the transition to a new Executive Director, the Board considered an extension of Ms. Baldree's services through the Franklin County Law Library at the rate of \$60.00 per hour. Upon motion of John Leutz, seconded by Ken Kozlowski, the Contract marked at the meeting as Exhibit A was unanimously approved.

The Board then interviewed Judy Maxwell for the position of Executive Director. Mrs. Maxwell indicated that she currently works 30 hours per week at the Delaware County Law Library and could easily add 8-10 more hours per week for the Consortium. She lives close to Columbus and has worked with Ms. Baldree before. Her Board does not want to lose her to a law firm, and she has a part-time student who helps out at her library. Mrs. Maxwell noted that her bid is lower than Franklin County's MOU because she does not need the Consortium to provide her with health insurance benefits. Ms. Baldree then stated that AALL membership and participation would be included with the job. After the Board noted that Mrs. Maxwell also possesses a law degree, George Baker moved to approve the Delaware County Law Library's response to the Executive Director RFP and appoint Mrs. Maxwell to the position. Ms. Dugan seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved. Judge Schneider then noted that both Ms. Baldree and Mrs. Maxwell may need to work together during a period of transition, and Mrs. Maxwell added that it may take up to four (4) weeks for her County to approve its MOU. George Baker then made a motion to amend his prior motion to add a one (1) year renewal option to the Delaware County MOU. Ms. Dugan seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved. Finally, Mrs. Croskey added that the Franklin County MOU has a 30 day termination notice.

The next meeting of the Consortium will be held at ORALL at the Hilton Garden Inn Toledo Perrysburg at a time to be determined on either October 16 or 17, 2013. As a result, the Consortium meeting that was previously scheduled for September 10, 2013 was cancelled.

Judge Schneider adjourned the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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