

*Minutes of the Meeting of the
Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards
February 12, 2015 10:00am
Franklin County Law Library*

The Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards (hereinafter "Consortium") held a meeting on February 12, 2015 at the Franklin County Law Library in Columbus, Ohio. The following board members were in attendance: Judge Charles Schneider; Ken Kozlowski, George Baker, and John Leutz. Also in attendance were: Executive Director Judith Maxwell; former Executive Director Angela Baldree; Associate Assistant Attorneys General Angela Sullivan and Jennifer Croskey, and Galan Avery. Attending via a phone conference were the following individuals: Richard Baker, Kathy Dugan, Amber Barnhart, Ardis Stein, and Shara Parkomaki.

Judge Schneider began the meeting at 10:09 am and called for approval of the October 15, 2014 Minutes. Hearing no objections, Judge Schneider indicated that the Minutes would stand approved.

Judith Maxell then presented the financial report for calendar year 2014. The yearend balance for the fund was \$92,871.96. The bulk of the consortium's expenses are Publications and Grants. John Leutz moved, George Baker seconded, and the financial reports were unanimously approved.

Judith Maxwell then presented the proposed budget the Planning Meeting on May 8, 2015. Mark Schweikert, Executive Director of the Ohio Judicial Conference, has agreed to be the facilitator at this event and the board is very interested in having a majority of the county law library's be represented at the meeting. After discussion John Leutz moved that \$10,000 be budgeted for this meeting with that money being used to award grants to county law libraries to cover the cost of one night's lodging, lunch, dinner, as well as the meeting room facility, George Baker seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion was had regarding the consortium budget. Judge Schneider moved that the fiscal office of the Supreme Court of Ohio be authorized to make adjustments to the consortium's budget to the extent necessary to cover authorized expenses limited only by available cash resources, John Leutz seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Ken Kozlowski reported that the Supreme Court of Ohio would like the consortium to adopt a set of policies governing the administration of the consortium, including matters related to expenditures of public funds, travel, and hosting of meetings. He distributed a draft policy. This item was then tabled until the next meeting in order to give board members time to review.

Judith Maxwell reported that 2 counties have not returned their sign Refund Grant MOU even though the deadline was January 31, 2015. It was agreed to set off the deadline to whenever dues are actually received in order to give those counties more time to get the appropriate signatures.

Judith Maxwell reminded everyone the deadline for the 2015 Optional Grants is February 27, 2015. To date only two counties have applied for grants.

Discussion was had regarding a proposal from Thomson West for a selection of handbooks. This item was tabled until the Planning Meeting in May to give libraries time to voice their opinion on the books they would like to receive.

John Leutz reminded everyone that legislation was passed in December allowing county law libraries to accept credit cards, as long as their county commissioners have adopted a similar policy. A link to the legislation is on the consortium web site.

No action was taken on a proposal from Fastcase for a statewide purchase.

Judge Schneider reported that thanks to the efforts of Jennifer Croskey and Angela Sullivan, the situation in Wood County, where no income was being collected from Bowling Green, has been resolved through the Attorney General Opinion. Not only is Wood County Law Library receiving regular payments from Bowling Green, but they also received a check for back amount.

Judge Schneider also reported that he had spoken to the board chair of Wood County as they are currently looking for a new librarian. They spoke about the possibility of Wood County merging with another county per the statutory guidelines. The Wood County Law Library Resource Board will discuss the possibility.

The meeting adjourned at 11:04 am.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angela T. Baldree". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Angela T. Baldree
Acting Secretary