

**Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative
MMLC Board Meeting
September 11, 2008**

MMLC Board Chair Jane Smith called September 11, 2008 meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

I. Board Members Present: Harold Evans, Mathilde Slider; Jane Smith; Denise Hooks; Ann Ingles; Alma Staton; Marilyn Soules; Gwenda Motley.

Board Members Absent: Gail Kelso (excused); Catherine Alberts; Amy Schweitzer.

Guests: Gloria Nealy.

Co-op Staff: Irene Bancroft.

II. **Public Comments:** Jane mentioned that Roger will not be here tonight due to a family emergency. Ann introduced Gloria Nealy, who will be representing Genesee District Library on the MMLC Board beginning in October.

III. **Review of the Board Minutes date June 13, 2008.** Approved as presented.

IV. **Review of the Financial Reports dated August 31, 2008.** Approved as presented.

V. **Board Committee Reports**

a. **Budget and Finance Committee:** Harold reported the committee met prior to the Board meeting.

i. Harold reported that the Northland Cooperative Board approved the contract for Interim Director Services from MMLC, as submitted. **Motion forwarded by the Budget & Finance Committee to authorize Jane Smith, MMLC Board Chair and Roger Mendel, MMLC Director to sign the contract on behalf of MMLC. All yeas. (8-0) Motion carried.**

ii. **Motion forwarded by the Budget & Finance committee to approve the proposed changes to the FY 2007-2008 Budget as presented. All yeas (8-0) Motion carried.**

iii. **Motion forwarded by the Budget & Finance committee to approve the Resolution on Fund Balance for FY 2008-2009. All yeas. (8-0) Motion carried.**

b. **Personnel C ommittee:** Ann mentioned that the Personnel Committee met twice during August to discuss the Executive Director Search. **Motion forwarded by the Personnel Committee to hire consultant Jeff Johnson to shepherd the Executive Director Search for MMLC. All yeas. (8-0) Motion carried.** The Board agreed that Roger should extend the contractual opportunity to Jeff Johnson, and invite him to present at the October meeting.

c. **Nominations Committee:** Jane brought forth the nominating slate of officers for FY 2008-2009: **Motion by Ann Ingles, seconded by Tillie Slider to elect the following officers for the FY 2007-2008:**

Board Chair: Harold Evans

Board Vice Chair: Alma Staton
Board Secretary / Treasurer: open
All yeas (8-0). Motion carried.

- d. Board Member Appointments:** Irene mentioned several changes that will be affecting the Board. Ann Ingles will not be returning to the Board, with Gloria Nealy being appointed by Genesee District Library. Catherine Alberts will not be returning to the Board, with Jan Engler being appointed by the Lapeer District Library. Jane Smith will not be returning to the Board, with Bay County Library working to appoint a new representative.

VI. New Business:

- a. Membership Request: Motion by Jane Smith, seconded by Denise Hooks to accept into membership Chippewa River District Library, Pere Marquette District Library, Coleman Public Library. Roll call vote. All yeas. (8-0) Motion carried.**
- b. Resolution to eliminate the Talking Book Center service as a core service of MMLC: Motion by Marilyn Soules, seconded by Harold Evans to accept the resolution to eliminate the Talking Book Center service as a core service of MMLC and to appoint Genesee District Library as the fiscal agent for the new Talking Book Center. Ann Ingles abstained from voting, Yeas: 7; Nays: 0 Motion carried.**
- c. Plan of Service Revision:** Denise reported that the committee met and updated the Organization History, changed the Board seat rotation due to the addition of the three new libraries, updated the listing of Core Services for the Cooperative, and Updated the Membership information. **Motion by Harold Evans seconded by Marilyn Soules to forward the revised Plan of Service to the public library membership for approval. All yeas. (8-0) Motion carried.**
- d. Proposed FY 2008-2009 Budget:** Denise reported that the Advisory Council forwarded the recommendation to accept the proposed FY 2008-2009. **Motion forwarded by the Budget & Finance to accept the FY 2008-2009 Budget as presented. All yeas. (8-0) Motion carried.**

VII. Director's Report: Members were directed to the written report. In Roger's absence, Irene distributed a statistical report for the 2008 Summer Reading program, indicating that once again the program was a huge success. Irene recognized Ann Ingles and Jane Smith for their service to the MMLC Board, and presented them with Service Awards from the Cooperative. Irene also presented Ann & Jane a gift of a chocolate book from the Cooperative Staff, thanking them for all their support.

VIII. Board Comments: Ann thanked the Board for the opportunity to be a part of the Board. Jane & Ann agreed that they have really enjoyed being a member of this Board.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Irene Bancroft
Administrative Assistant

Next Board Meeting:

Thursday, September 11, 2008

MMLC Office – 5th Floor

4:30 p.m.