Mission: Strengthening our region's libraries by providing educational opportunities and by facilitating local collaboration and conversations between libraries of all types.

Meeting Minutes

Board Members in Attendance
Melanie Blau-McDonald, SWON Exec. Director
Cindy Sefton, President, Cincinnati State
Jennifer Heffron, TriHealth, Treasurer, Good Samaritan College of Nursing
John Stork, University of Cincinnati
Jennifer Spillman, President, Dayton Metro Library
Angela Payer, Kenton County Public Library
Chris Owens, Vice-President, Blanchester Public Library
Shawn Fry, Boone County Public Library
Travis Bautz, MidPointe Library System
Suzanne Dix, The Seven Hills School

Absent
Greg Edwards, Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County
Tracy Varner, Hamilton Clermont Cooperative
Rachelle Miller, Troy-Miami Public Library

Call to order
Chris Owens, Vice-President of the Executive Board, called the meeting to order at 1:05.

Introductions

Presentation and Approval of the August 2016 minutes
Shawn motion to approve the minutes, Cindy second. Approved by consensus.

Presentation of the July, August, September and October Financial Statements Year-End
Jennifer motion to approve the financial statements, Angela second. Approved by consensus.

Membership & Renewals
Melanie update, two haven't paid, two schools no longer have librarians and are unlikely to renew again. All else have renewed. In fall did make cold calls on potential members, 57 Supporting members, currently.

Committee Membership Discussion – Jennifer Spillman
Finance committee, who would like to be on it? New committee members, Travis, Cindy, Jennifer Heffron (Treas), and John in addition to Jennifer Spillman (Pres.).

Offerings Updates
• Summer Reading Program Workshop, theme Build a Better World, September 27th, Washington-Centreville Public Library-Sold out
• Staff Training Symposium – Libraries Transform, October 6th, Newport Branch, Campbell County Public Library
  o Needed about 100, we had 40
  o Decision to take some time off before offering staff training workshops again. Need to decide whether the program in its current iteration, is worth doing.
• New Level-Up Labs from Cassondra
  o Coding from Scratch, sold out.
• Fall Level-Up Labs from Melanie
  o Personality Theory for Supervisors/Managers
• Membership Meeting, Angela Siefer, Director, National Digital Inclusion Alliance, December 1, 2016.

Administration
• OPLIN Broadband connection speed update completed
• Mobile enhancements to website by 1st Quarter end 2017

Personnel
• Discussion over budget implication of proposed salary of CE coordinator.
  o Will start a conversation with potential hire who is coming from PLCH.

Collaborations
• Ohio Digital Media Training Day, PLCH, October 28th
• All Ohio Conference 2019 update
  o Budget committee is starting to meet
    ■ “Oh, it’s gonna happen.”
  o What groups will kick in money, for deposits.
    ■ Will get money back
• Grantsmanship Center, options, interest?
  o Group from California, offering 30 seats at a cost of 1k, per person –
    • Conversation about the Foundation Center out of Cleveland
    • ArtsWave as a partnership
      ■ What kind of library would send staff to this?
      ■ It seems unlikely that we could fill 30 seats.
• Grant partnership with Boone County PL
• Grant awarded to Troy-Miami PL
  o About LEAN management in libraries
• OKI Fiscal Agent opportunity
  o Will be about $1,000 a year

Consulting
• Educational gaming in the library – HCC – for school media specialists, Sept.
• Sharing our Great Stuff – marketing – Campbell County PL – all staff, Oct. 6th
• Acing the Behavioral Interview – Dayton Metro Library – job seekers, Nov. 3rd
• Customer Service Recharge, staff training at Southern State Community College, Dec. 14th
• Dealing with Conflict, Tri-Health, all staff, Feb. 15th
Next Meeting: December 9th, 2016 at 10am, SWON conference room. Fall Membership will be December 1st.

Announcements

Adjournment: Travis motion to adjourn, Cindy second. Approved by consensus.