

**WHITE PINE LIBRARY COOPERATIVE  
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Minutes, April 25, 2018**  
Approved August 22, 2018

**Welcome**

**Agenda**

Nanette Pretzer moved and Mimi Herrington seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

Stephanie Olson moved to approve the September 27, 2017 Advisory Council minutes. Sandra Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Director's report**

Bryon presented his report. Some topics discussed were: Ask the Candidate handouts and visits, NIS insurance through MLA is now to begin January; OverDrive, Advantage Plus has added over 525 titles to the general collection; The RIDES study; State Aid: Kathy Webb will begin to publish on the LM website which library state aid payments have been sent out, with the date; Trustee training session is planned for June 11, 2018 in Frankenmuth, at the Library. You can view the complete director's report at: [https://wplc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/director\\_report\\_apr2018.pdf](https://wplc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/director_report_apr2018.pdf)

**Old Business:**

**Report on RLC applications.**

26 members are receiving the Rural Libraries Conference grant.

**New Business:**

**Audit**

The Audit was sent to the board.

**Statistics count – electronic**

Bryon added unique daily visitors from OverDrive and RBDigital to the count of visitors. Mimi Herrington mentioned that the emails that are sent out with the statistics need to indicate better what they are for. Right now they are only seeing AAA {something} and not that they are Overdrive statistics.

### **Overdrive changes, cost per circulation**

The budget for furniture was \$10,000. Staff decided to get new sit-stand desks and chairs. The money saved can be used for Overdrive “cost per circ” records. Bryon would like to try \$200 per month and see how it goes. If items don’t circ there’s no cost. Ebooks pricing is 10% and Audio books are 20% of purchase cost.

### **Legislative updates and meet the candidates**

Bryon will be contacting libraries to be hosts for the “Ask the Candidate” sessions which are held after the primary. Question and information packets were discussed and will be sent to the candidates. It was emphasized how important it is that librarians and trustees show up to these sessions.

### **Virtual Reality kits**

Members were able to view the **Google Expeditions Virtual Reality Kits** after the meeting.

### **Discussion**

Port Austin has an operations renewal millage scheduled for May 8. Vassar has a millage in August. Hemlock is holding a construction millage in August. Lexington has hired an architect to plan the new building that was purchased next door to the library. She wanted recommendations for purchasing furniture. Kim Young/Houghton Lake said she was able to purchase from MityLite with just a couple dollars more than the State contracts. Christian Dunham/Vassar said he purchased from MityLite also and said they even sent a couple demos to try. REMC is also another option.

### **Other**

Bryon would like member to answer the following questions:

- I wish my library could . . . .
- If my budget tripled, I would . . . .
- As my community ages, my library will . . . .
- As my community shrinks, my library will . . .

He will collect the responses to the questions, compile them and send them out to everyone. At the August meeting we will discuss how/what, we as cooperatives members, can do to meet the goals. Next meeting date: **August 22, 2018**

**Toxic Employees Presentation.** Michelle Pratt, Delta College and Rebecca Higgerson, Brandon Township Public Library presented their program: **Toxic Employees, Liars, slackers and bullies, oh my!**