

Traverse des Sioux Library System
Member Library Director's Meeting
MINUTES
July 8, 2010

Directors Present: Cheryl Bjoin, Watonwan County Library
Gail Christensen, Dyckman Free Library
Larry Hlavsa, New Ulm Public Library
Jenny Jepsen, Martin County Library
Sharon Lang, Comfrey Community Library
Lucy Lowry, North Mankato Taylor Library
Linda Roiger, Springfield Public Library
Sheila Treptow, Wells Public Library
Judy Tupper, Muir Library
Doug Wolfe, St. Peter Public Library

Also Present: Dayle Zelenka, Executive Director
Patty Biesterfeld, Assistant Director
Janelle Magelee, Administrative Specialist
Jeanne DeMars, Automation Coordinator

Guests: Ginny Brodeen, Minnesota Library Legacy Coordinator
Renee Schneider, Blue Earth County Asst. Director

Directors Absent: Corrine Brown, Hanska Public Library
Eva Gaydon, Blue Earth Community Library
Tim Hayes, Blue Earth County Library
Theresa Meadows, Waseca-LeSueur Regional Library
Nancy Ziegler, Elmore Public Library
Sibley County Representative

1. Introductions

The meeting began at 9:30 with introductions.

2. Ginny Brodeen, Minnesota Library Legacy Coordinator

Brodeen gave a little background on her position and talked about her role as Library Legacy Coordinator. A catalog of programs was distributed. All programs, bus tours, and kits are free and available to libraries. Brodeen said that these programs require very little time to arrange and she is available to assist in many ways. Directors are strongly encouraged to take advantage of these opportunities.

A calendar of programs that are scheduled around the state is available at <http://crplsa.info> under "CRPLSA MHS Calendar".

Kits are also available in each region for checkout for programs. TdS kits are cataloged and available for a two week checkout period. They can be searched under each title or the series of "Minnesota's Greatest Generation Kit."

Contact Brodeen or TdS for more information.

3. Arts & Cultural Heritage Funds

The 2010 funds can be carried over into the new fiscal year. There is about \$40,000 yet to be spent, so libraries are encouraged to apply. Sometime in September there will be a kick-off for the 2011 programming year. At this time, forms and procedures will be talked about as well as possible programming ideas.

4. 2010 & 2011 Budget Discussion & TdS Board Action

Zelenka reported that he took the directors' concerns to the Board and what had been decided by the Board in May and June.

5. TdS 2010-2013 Draft Strategic Plan

There will be a meeting on July 12.

6. TdS/SMILE Merge Update

A meeting will be set up in the next few weeks.

7. Fall 2010 and 2011 Continuing Education

Biesterfeld talked about some events that are being planned for the fall. Upcoming meetings and workshops will be on the TdS calendar. Zelenka asked if libraries would be interested in trainings via webinar.

8. Departmental Updates

DeMars gave an update on the switchover to Hickory Tech, which is almost complete. If libraries are seeing any related problems, please let TdS know right away.

If libraries experience any problems related to the new delivery changes, contact TdS.

9. SMILE Report

Zelenka encourages everyone to apply for scholarships or honorariums from SMILE.

10. Directors' Exchange

Hlvasa asked if others were familiar with Tech Soup and more information will be discussed at the next meeting. Directors also talked about <http://openlibrary.org>.

Next Directors' Meeting – September 9, 2010