

ARKLink Meeting Minutes
 July 28, 2008
 University of Central Arkansas

Presenters

Renee Chastain of Alibris for Librarians gave a presentation on purchasing features of Alibris of particular interest to libraries.

LuAnn Harrison gave a presentation on eBooks from Gale Group.

ProQuest Administrator was presented by Bill Mott.

The general meeting was called to order by Vice-President Dean Covington at 9:45 a.m. A motion to approve the minutes of the meeting was made. Jim Robb made a motion to approve the minutes and Oscar DeLong seconded.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Henry Terrill shared the May 31, 2008 bank statement for the ARKLink account that showed a balance of \$16,918.24. Deposits were monies collected from dues and database fees. The \$750 withdrawal was the disbursement of ALA conference expense. The filing deadline for non-profit taxes was extended to August 15 from the original May 15, 2008 deadline.

	May 31, 08
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
10 - First Community Bank-Checking	16,918.24
Total Checking/Savings	16,918.24
Accounts Receivable	
1110 - Accounts receivable	50.00
Total Accounts Receivable	50.00
Total Current Assets	16,968.24
TOTAL ASSETS	16,968.24
 LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
3010 - Unrestrict (retained earnings)	17,567.16
Net Income	-598.92
Total Equity	16,968.24
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	16,968.24

Collection Management Committee Report

Chair Teresa Ojezua stated that 22 of 44 institutions had responded to the collection development survey. The survey has been extended to give institutions more time to respond. A meeting of collection development representatives from responding institutions was proposed for the end of August, but no date was set.

Database Purchasing Committee Report

Chair Renee LeBeau-Ford reported that several companies are introducing or increasing their e-book packages including Gale, EBSCO, Wiley, Springer, Cambridge, and others.

JAMA and Scientific American are offering consortia pricing. Discussion followed on the advantages of subscribing to print subscriptions that have accompanying online access versus subscribing to online only.

Chair LeBeau-Ford stated that if five colleges agreed to purchase the EBSCO A-Z link resolver the consortia could negotiate a 10-15 percent discount. Members in attendance submitted the names of their link resolvers.

Financial Resources Committee Report – No report. Vice-President Covington stated that this particular committee does not currently have a chair.

Governance Committee Report – Chair Henry Terrill reported that the by-laws may not be changed to allow for a \$750 disbursement to offset conference attendance for the head of the Database Purchasing Committee. Upon further consideration it was decided that such disbursement should be taken to the Board and Executive Committee each time the disbursement is required.

Resource Sharing Committee Report – Chair Tim Zou stated that two institutions were dropping out of the AMIGOS courier service and there is some concern about having enough business to justify the service. Representatives from Northeastern Arkansas public libraries met earlier in the month to discuss their delivery between Springdale, Bentonville, and Fayetteville. Chair Zou has studied several models of courier service and found that Wisconsin, Colorado, and other states have forced their academic and public libraries to combine services as a cost saving measure. Some states also provide funding or grants to support courier services. Discussion followed on reasons colleges and universities have scaled back their courier service or dropped out altogether and the cost for in state lending as opposed to out of state interlibrary loan.

Webmaster – No report.

New Business & Announcements

Ron Russ offered ASU-Beebe as the location for the fall ARKLink meeting in November. Suggested programs included inviting a representative from the Arkansas State Library to talk about the Network Advisory Group and inviting a representative from AMIGOS.

The executive committee will review the new ARKLink brochure at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Submitted by Veronica Stewart, Board Secretary

Members in Attendance

Laura Austin – Pulaski Technical College
Jeff Bailey – Arkansas State University
Jennie Ballinger – University of the Ozarks
Amber Castor – University of Central Arkansas
Martha Coleman – University of Arkansas at Fort Smith
Dean Covington – Lyon College
Linda Creibaum – Arkansas State University
Kathy Davis – University of Arkansas at Monticello
Oscar DeLong - Pulaski Technical College
Ann Dixon – Harding University
Shirley Dumais – Ouachita Baptist University
Lanee Dunlap – University of Arkansas at Monticello
Sherry Eskridge – Arkansas State University
Leroy Gattin – University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton
Mary Ann Griggs Harper – Ouachita Technical College
Renee LeBeau-Ford – University of Central Arkansas
Sonya Lockett – University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff
Rosalee Lovelace -
Teresa Ojezua – Philander Smith College
Janet Parsch – University of Arkansas at Fayetteville
William Parton – Arkansas Tech University
Lisa Phillips -
Jim Robb – North Arkansas College
Ronald Russ – Arkansas State University – Beebe
Tracy Smith – Arkansas State University - Beebe
Laura Speer – University of Central Arkansas
Veronica Stewart - Pulaski Technical College
Sarah Spiegel – University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Brent Swearingen – John Brown University
Kaye Talley – University of Central Arkansas
Henry Terrill – Harding University
Heidi Vix – Henderson State University
Jean Waldrop – Harding University
Bob Yehl – Henderson State University
Tim Zou – University of Arkansas at Fayetteville