

ARKLink Meeting Minutes Oct. 14, 2011, at Pulaski Technical South Library

Submitted by Sara Seaman, ARKLink President

10:30 -11:25 Rittenhouse's R2 Digital Library, *presenters Anna Brewer and Mr. Jewel Manzay, National Sales Manager*

Sara Seaman welcomed attendees and explained changes in today's agenda. She also thanked Wendy Davis and Veronica Stewart for hosting us and providing lunch at Pulaski Tech, and thanked Rittenhouse for coffee and morning snacks. Sara then introduced Ms. Brewer and Mr. Manzay from Rittenhouse.

Mr. Manzay described the R2 Digital Library as a "topic driven platform", where you purchase individual titles in the science, medicine, and health science fields. The platform links to PubMed, CINAHL, and your holdings can be linked to your course management system. There is no annual subscription fee, but there is an annual maintenance fee. ARKLink consortium members pay \$400/year maintenance fee (instead of \$1200) which is waived for the 1st year. A free 30-day trial with full access to the platform for 3 concurrent users is available. For more information or to set up a trial, contact anna.brewer@rittenhouse.com

11:30-12:30 Sally Hawkes, from the Arkansas State Library discussed changes to the Traveler platform, the ebook collection, and the changes in support of the Traveler databases, especially the impending funding change to FirstSearch. Ms. Hawkes also asked all Arkansas Libraries to send pictures and update their facility details on the Traveler WebPage. Mobile access is now available to Britannica, Ebsco, Gale, and World Cat. You can create QR codes as well. New individual portal links are available, email Sally for a list of new links.

LISTA funds were cut \$16,300 this year. FirstSearch, which has 18 portals, and costs \$124,000/year was almost cut this year, but the state gave a year reprieve to receive bids and allocate funding to individual libraries to maintain the FirstSearch availability. ASL will be getting separate bids for FirstSearch (the state union catalog) and WorldCat. Both academic and public libraries are served, and will have to pay for this service based on size and usage. Target date for seeking bids is by March 2012 so that libraries can figure costs into their 2012-2013 budgets. The Arkansas Dept. of Information Services Strategic Planning committee is working with Traveler to get state-wide access to First Search. The ARKLink resource sharing committee also needs to be involved in the review and pricing process. Sally will be sending a survey to all academic libraries on their primary use of FirstSearch. It is very important that everyone participate in gathering this information for decision makers. The survey will be sent out in early November. The State sees FirstSearch primarily as a union catalog, not as a substitute for ILL or OCLC Marc records.

We broke for lunch at 12:40. Thank you to Pulaski Tech for providing lunches.

1:00 – 2:00 *Sara Seaman called the Business Meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.*

Tim Zou, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville Library presented a review of Relais D2D as an affordable union catalog host service for ARKLink members. A webinar on Relais D2D was attended by a few member libraries in June 2011. The catalog requires log-in from patrons, and searches all member catalogs from one search, with tiered access to your local library, consortia, and Worldcat for requests. Two-day mail out is the norm, with holds, in transit, and check-out all done from the platform. Pricing would be \$7000/1st year, and \$5000 each year thereafter for each member library, based on the size of ARKLink.

Ron Russ moved to table the union catalog initiative until the cost to libraries for FirstSearch is known next summer. Tracy Farmer seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed unanimously. Sara thanked Tim for his efforts and information gathering, which may prove quite useful going forward.

Old Business: The April 22, 2011 meeting minutes were passed out, and no changes noted. A motion was made to approve minutes, seconded and passed unanimously.

Arkansas State University Library Jonesboro will be the location for the ARKLink archives. Thank you to Jeff Bailey.

There was discussion at the April meeting on whether there had been new legislation regarding sales taxes on database purchases. Sara brought a letter dated May 3, 2011 from Tiffany Rogers, State Representative addressed to Jerrie Townsend, Phillips Community College UA Library Director, stating that no current legislation occurred that would pass a tax on database subscriptions. It is the understanding of academic librarians present at ARKLink that no tax is collected on database subscriptions or serials as long as you specify “subscriptions” on the purchase order. A draft of the letter is attached.

New Business: The nominating committee, Linda Creibaum, Bill Parton, and Sara Seaman presented a slate for Vice-President/ President elect with nominee Kathie Buckman, from Henderson State University. Linda Creibaum motioned to elect Kathie to Vice-President by acclamation, the motion was seconded, and the nomination approved by acclamation. The other officers of ARKLink will continue their 2nd year term in office: President-elect Peggy Morrison, Secretary Daniel Page, Treasurer Tracy Farmer.

Sara noted that the Bylaws are not in agreement with the nominating process as practiced in at least the last 6 years. Specifically, the dates are not the same, ballots are not mailed out, the official ARKLink representative is not the only one voting. The nominating committee decided to follow recent practices for expediency, and to suggest

that the Bylaws be re-examined. A discussion ensued; Ron Russ suggested the date issue changed due to the fact that there used to be more meetings, usually one per month. It was asked how many meetings are required, and Sara said the Bylaws only require one meeting per year. Wendy Davis made a motion for the Governance Committee to recommend Bylaws changes regarding the Nominations process and when new officers take office and present their recommendations at the next meeting. Kathie Buckman seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Tracy Farmer presented the Treasurer's Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet, (attached). It was moved and seconded to approve the Treasurer's reports, and passed unanimously without further discussion.

Sara read a letter from Virginia Perschbacher announcing her retirement in December from Dean, Library and Distance Learning at Southeast Arkansas College, Pine Bluff, AR. She plans to move to North Carolina in 2012.

Virginia stated,

"I have enjoyed working with ARKLink and all the great librarians in the state during our years in Arkansas. ARKLink has been of tremendous help to me both while at Philander Smith College and here at Southeast Arkansas and I greatly appreciate all the hard work of its officers and members."

Sara asked if anyone with ARKLink was working on the FirstSearch Traveler issue. Renee LeBeau-Ford said she had not been. Wendy Davis noted that Tina Bradley, Beth Juhl, and Gene Waldrup are on the ASL Board Network Advisory Committee. Sara suggested that the Board follow up to insure that ARKLink receives updates regarding FirstSearch bids and that we have some representation.

Linda Creibaum, chair of the Collection Development committee, stated that due to the increased work load of her job, she is unable to commit time to leading this committee. She would welcome anyone interested to step up and volunteer to lead in any Collection Development issues they are interested in pursuing.

2:00 – Sara introduced Katie Davis, Reference/Emerging Technology Librarian, Ottenheimer Library, Pulaski Technical College to discuss their recent acquisition of "emerging technologies"- Kindles and iPads. Katie reported on the first semester's lending of iPads and Kindles, including how they processed the devices and trained staff to check out these items. Katie stated they introduced mobile devices to bridge the digital divide, and give students and faculty an opportunity to get comfortable with new technologies. They selected Kindles and iPads as the most successful of these products and most likely to "stick". She gave details of decisions regarding check-out policies, loading and purchasing of accessories and ebooks and aps, and recent articles on these products. If you want to request a copy of her powerpoint, email mdavis@pulaskitech.edu

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ARKLink Attendance Oct. 14, 2011 Meeting

Lanee Dunlap	UA Monticello
Sandra Campbell	UA Monticello
Mary Ann Harper	College of the Ouachitas, Malvern
Daniel Fitzroy	Henderson State U
Kathie Buckman	Henderson State U
Anping Wu	Ouachita Baptist U
Mary Sheahan	Rich Mountain Community College
Teresa Ojezua	Philander Smith College
Daphne Hyatt	UAMS
Libby Ingram	UAMS
Amanda Moore	Hendrix College
Sara Seaman	National Park CC
Jeff Bailey	ASU Jonesboro
Sherry Eskridge	ASU Jonesboro
Carol Hanan	UCA
Susan Goldner	UALR Law
Michelle Palmer	North AR College
Linda Creibaum	ASU Jonesboro
Wendy Davis	Pulaski Technical College
Dan Lindsey	Ozarka College, Melbourne
Veronica Stewart	Pulaski Technical College
Tim Zou	UA Fayetteville tzou@uark.edu
Bill Parton	Arkansas Tech U
Tracy Farmer	Arkansas State U
Tia Farmer	Arkansas State U
Dean Covington	Lyon College
Carol Maeheak	UALR
Martha Coleman	UA Ft. Smith
Ronald Russ	ASU Beebe
Rachel Whittingham	Central Baptist College
Renee LeBeau-Ford	UCA
Leroy M. Gattin	UACCM
Crystal Long	Central Baptist College

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Accrual Basis

ARKLink Library Consortium, Inc.
Balance Sheet
As of October 13, 2011

	<u>Oct 13, 11</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
10 · First Community Bank-Checking	33,344.41
Total Checking/Savings	33,344.41
Accounts Receivable	
1110 · Accounts receivable	750.00
Total Accounts Receivable	750.00
Total Current Assets	34,094.41
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>34,094.41</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
3010 · Unrestrict (retained earnings)	29,941.74
Net Income	4,152.67
Total Equity	34,094.41
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ARKLink Library Consortium, Inc.
Profit & Loss
January 1 through October 13, 2011

	<u>Jan 1 - Oct 13, 11</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
1 · Databases	21,466.03
11 · Checking Account Interest Earne	86.81
2 · Membership Dues	5,150.00
3 · Cash Donations	19,252.00
Total Income	<u>45,954.84</u>
Gross Profit	45,954.84
Expense	
21 · Postage	6.83
24 · Database-Payable	40,718.00
27 · Office Expense-General	353.45
8300 · Travel & meetings expenses	723.89
Total Expense	<u>41,802.17</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>4,152.67</u>
Net Income	<u><u>4,152.67</u></u>