SHARE Policy and Finance/Fees Committee
Meeting
Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 10 am
Effingham Public Library

Minutes

Call meeting to order and roll call: The meeting was called to order at 10:04 am by chair Diane Yeoman.
In attendance: Diane Yeoman, Esther Curry, Jill Pifer, Miranda Shake.
Also in attendance: Leslie Bednar, IHLS Executive Director; Bobbi Perryman, SHARE Executive Council chair; Joan Bauer, SHARE Manager for Bibliographic Services; Traci Edwards, SHARE Manager for Administrative Services; Janet Cler, Tolono Public Library District; Chris Dawdy, SHARE Director

Approval of December 17, 2015 minutes: The minutes were approved on a motion made by Esther Curry, and seconded by Miranda Shake; all ayes, no nays, motion passed.

Old Business

- Adding members to Policy and Finance/Fees Committee—Janet Cler, Tolono Public Library, Amy Byers, Chatham Public Library, and Anita Driver, Jerseyville Public Library, are considering joining the committee.
- Current state of IHLS / SHARE finances –Leslie Bednar, Executive Director, IHLS—Leslie reviewed information received from Anne Craig, Director of the Illinois State Library, regarding the current state of and future directions for library systems in Illinois. Included are a 42% cut in System and Area Per Capita grant funds; the directive for RAILS to initiate revenue sharing with IHLS; SHARE offering membership to any ILLINET member, regardless of which library system they belong to;

New Business

- What happens to SHARE if IHLS ceases to exist—the consensus of the committee was that SHARE needs to develop a “dooms day”, or worst-case-scenario plan for maintaining the consortium if IHLS ceases to exist. Several ideas that were discussed included revising the Governing Document to address the possibility of being an independent organization and consulting with an attorney about what changes would need to be made.
• Adding new members to SHARE—SHARE staff will be working on updating the procedures for adding new members to SHARE when the Dream Grant is finished, June 30, 2016; these procedures will be presented to this committee for refining and/or approval.

• Dream grant status—this grant will be completed June 30, 2016; while the grant was written with the intent of adding 40 new SHARE members, there are 68 in the process of joining or are now live on SHARE. There are enough funds left in the Dream Grant to add 6.5 more members, though there are 7 libraries interested in joining.

• SHARE Operational Guidelines—SHARE staff have been working on combining the governing, circulation and resource sharing, and bibliographic and cataloging policies, practices, and procedures into one document, now called the SHARE Operational Guidelines. These Guidelines will be posted on the SHARE website, and will be searchable by member libraries.

Public Comment: none

Announcements: none

Next meeting: Monday, February 22, from 10 to 12, at the Effingham Public Library

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 am, on a motion made by Esther Curry, and seconded by Miranda Shake. All ayes, no nays, motion passed.