

**Minutes of the MARINet Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, January 17, 2008
Mill Valley Library**

Board Members Present: **David Dodd, Chair**
 Frances Gordon
 Gail Haar
 Anji Brenner
 Sara Loyster
 Mary Richardson

Also Present: **Deb Moehrke, MARINet System Administrator**
 Abbott Chambers

- I. Public Comment Period:** No public present
- II. Introduction of Guests:** No guests present
- III. Aqua Browser Demonstration** (9 – 11 a.m., before Board meeting officially began)
- IV. Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the December 20, 2007 meeting were approved (M/S Loyster/Haar)
- V. Additions to the Agenda:** Added to VI, Old Business, D: Discussion of Aqua Browser
- VI. Old Business**
 - A. Retreat planning**
 - 1. Discuss time change.** Meeting will be from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. David Dodd will arrange for parking passes.
 - 2. Lunch Selection.** Deb passed around menus from Sol Food and everyone marked their selections.
 - 3. Finalize agenda.** There will be four main items on the agenda –
 - 1. JPA (Gail, David, Mary will bring talking points)
 - 2. Dominican (Board members to bring their notes and handouts from presentations)
 - 3. Products (what we've seen; what we want to see. Deb will get quotes and update the summary spreadsheet)
 - 4. Goals (review of current; discussion of future)
 - B. Dominican Request.** Will discuss at Retreat. Topics to include workload, how they will fit in; integrating patron databases & circ standards; voting privileges; fit with operations including skill levels of circ and ref and quality of the catalog; progress with MCF; delivery and joining NBC; expectations of who's paying for what; what's in it for our patrons; impact on cost sharing formula.
 - C. ILL Topic – news and updates.** Convocation in April will be April 17 & 18. Deb handed out copies of the III letter re Link+. III will be at convocation and we can to them at that time. Best Practices Group pre-meeting is Jan. 18th between BET and MVY. A larger meeting will be planned after that.
 - D. Aqua Browser Discussion.** There was general discussion about Aqua Browser and Encore.

VII. New Business

- A. **Resolution to adopt FYI08/09 cost-sharing formula.** M/S Richardson, Loyster. Approved unanimously. All signed.
- B. Wet books in the delivery. Sara Loyster feels that the delivery person is not performing adequately. She complained to NBC and didn't get an effective answer. David Dodd also had e-mailed NBC and hadn't yet received a response. David Dodd will send a letter expressing MARINet's dissatisfaction to NBC.
- C. **Preliminary Budget.** Deb Moehrke passed out the preliminary budget. They are very soft numbers and included two versions, with and without a contingency. The Board endorsed building in a contingency fee. We'll decide on 3% or 5% after we have a better handle on the other numbers.
- D. **Electronic Invoicing.** After some discussion the Board (M/S Brenner, Loyster) voted to purchase Electronic Invoicing.

VIII. Announcements

- A. **Reports from Committee Liaisons** – No reports
- B. **Systems Administrator's Report.**
 - 1. **Library on Line** Deb will do last year's bill. She will call together the committee to implement the new release. The contract needs to be signed by Feb. 15, 2008. (Mill Valley mentioned that they are looking at other products because they want to support Apple Internet stations.)
- C. **Items of interest from the minutes.** The Board voted to remove this item.
- D. **Correspondence.** A letter to Annette Milliron at NBC that we may reconsider SuperSearch.

IX. Announcements

- A. **Anji Brenner.** MVY has launched their new website. Felt it was a good workable solution to being part of a municipal website. They had no public response so they think they are meeting patron's needs. Six staff worked on the transition.
- B. **Deb Moehrke.** She would like to work from home one more day. The Executive Committee will discuss; please send comments or concerns to David Dodd.
- C. **Gail Haar.** The OneBook, One Marin launch party is January 23rd at 6 p.m. at Book Passage. Amy Tan will talk about the chosen book, **Saving Fish from Drowning.**
- D. **Frances Gordon.** Larkspur is planning an author event on Sunday.
- E. **Abbot Chambers.** BET has hired John Erdman as a reference librarian, 24 hrs. per week.
- F. **David Dodd.** SRF's windows are in; heat is not working. He is working with a group of citizens to get a Foundation off the ground. Fifteen people came to the first meeting to talk about a new library. Mayor Al Boro attended. Literacy is having a fund raiser on Feb. 14th, Valentine's Day – a sing along My Fair Lady.
- G. **Mary Richardson.** A patron donated a whole set of Rosetta Stone language tapes to SAU.

The meeting was adjourned at 2 p.m. The next meeting is the retreat, scheduled for January 31, 2008 in the San Rafael City Hall.

Respectively submitted,
Gail Haar