

MARINet Board Meeting Minutes
May 16th, 2019
MCFL Tech Services
1600 Los Gamos Dr., Suite 180, San Rafael

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Present: Anji Brenner (Mill Valley), Henry Bankhead (San Rafael), Deborah Mazzolini (Bel-Tib), Sarah Frye (College of Marin), Abbot Chambers (Sausalito), Linda Kenton (San Anselmo) Damon Hill (MCFL) and Teresa Capasso (Larkspur)

- I. Public Comment Period: none
- II. Introduction of Guests: none
- III. Approval of minutes from March 21st, 2019. Minutes were approved (AC/LK).
- IV. Old Business:
 - A. Cenic Update: McMahon expressed concern about the higher than anticipated costs of CENIC, based on what we originally were led to expect. MARINet can cover the increased costs for now, but McMahon is concerned about future years. McMahon also expressed concern about: being able to reliably predict future costs; CENIC accounting practices; and getting reimbursements in a timely manner. MARINet is being charged more than anticipated because three member libraries do not qualify for significant e-rate discounts. McMahon will report back at the next meeting with more details so the Board can discuss an appropriate action.
 - B. eBooks Budgets: Brenner and Chambers will work on a document that directors can use to advocate for an increased budget for ebooks from their jurisdictions. MARINet staff are spending significant time supporting the collection. To continue to build the collection, shorten the wait time for popular items, etc. will take increased funding.
- V. New Business
 - A. Fine Amnesty Program: Nothing to report.

- B. Kanopy Records: There was a discussion of putting records into the database but the consensus was this was not a desired option at this time.
 - C. Book Drops in Marin County: There was a consensus among the group that additional book drops were a good idea and would benefit patrons throughout the County. Possible new locations to consider include: Larkspur Ferry, Tam Junction, San Rafael Transit Center, and Lucas Valley Road. To move this initiative forward, we need to figure out how to fund the actual book drops. There was support that MARINet would pick up the ongoing delivery costs, integrating services to new locations into the current delivery system. McMahon recommended starting with one location and Tam Junction was identified as a good first location. Brenner recommended also considering pursuing the Lucas Valley location at the same time as that may be a much easier location to get implemented. Brenner will work with others to move this effort forward and report back at the next meeting.
 - D. Counting Opinions (product for stats). MARINet will soon be paying \$43K for Decision Center. Counting Opinions is another product to consider but more information is needed.
- VI. Standing Items for the Agenda
- A. Systems Administrator's Report: McMahon reported on Express Lane contracts and the need to make sure libraries have the correct number of licenses that they pay for and use.
 - B. Correspondence: none
 - B. Topics for Future Agenda: looking at holds for print materials; ebook budgets; revisit updating JPA; Board cohesiveness; changing the meeting time for MARINet Board meetings; Northnet funding liability.
- VII. Non-Action Items: PG&E Power Shut Off is an issue that MARINet libraries might want to talk about. Libraries could play a significant role in supporting the public during extended and/or frequent periods of no power during fire season.

VIII. Announcements: COM: moving into temporary housing; looking at architects to do the building project; SAU: Library's budget stable for next year; trustees gave Chambers the authority to do away with fines on media; SR: extending Mall lease for another year through April 2020; Board of Supervisors approved an MOU with SR to support this; working with consultant to survey residents on options for a new library and have already received approximately 1,000 responses; purchased new shared services desk. SAN: April Hayley, the Children's Librarian, has taken a job with MCFL. MV: History Room Librarian Cate Mayfield left to move back east; new podcast called 8 Books Remix just released. Librarian Natalie McCall interviews young adult authors about the five books that influenced them, and the three YA books that recommend others to read; started new Sensory Story Time. MCFL: hiring for a Librarian II. LRK: Friends had membership drive that was very successful; getting new carpeting today; closed through Memorial Day Weekend, offering 103 programs this summer! Bel-Tib: Starting on parking lot in Jul/Aug and breaking ground in mid-September for the new library building; had to scale back project but will be able to support all desired services; will have a larger community room which can be closed off from the Library so other organizations can use it. Will take about a year to complete; hope to be open most of the time except for a week or two. Had first get-together for volunteers and had 120 people show up.

Meeting adjourned at: 11:30

Minutes taken by Anji Brenner