

## SWAYS SEPTEMBER MINUTES

### Attendance

|                  |                                      |
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| Janet Andrews    | Hayner Public Library District       |
| Donna Asbeck     | Six Mile Regional Library District   |
| Annette Bland    | Columbia Public Library              |
| Carol Brockmeyer | Daugherty Public Library District    |
| Ivy Cowen        | Mascoutah Public Library             |
| Tammi Eschmann   | Morrison-Talbott Library             |
| Judy Groom       | Freeberg Area Library District       |
| Magi Henderson   | Glen Carbon Centennial Library       |
| Laurie Ingram    | Jerseyville Public Library           |
| Syndy Kalinowski | O'Fallon Public Library              |
| Kate Kite        | Wood River Public Library            |
| Jessica Lamborn  | Freeberg Area Library District       |
| Robin Lovinggood | Tri-Township Public Library District |
| Sis O'Brien      | Bethalto Public Library              |
| Teri Rankin      | O'Fallon Public Library              |
| Kay Schuette     | Louis Latzer Memorial Public Library |
| Karen Voelker    | Freeberg Area Library District       |
| Heather Watkins  | Maryville Community Library District |
| Anne Wolfe       | Edwardsville Public Library          |

Prior to the SWAYS business meeting, Leslie Bednar, Acting LCLS Director, appraised the SLING and SWAYS groups of changes affecting the system and member libraries. Because of drastic cuts in State Library funding, a recommendation was made to create one state-wide library system. It quickly became clear that it would be impossible to merge 9 systems. It was decided that Lewis and Clark Library System would:

1. Continue to support automation and delivery. Consulting not related to Gatenet would no longer be supported.
2. Begin negotiations with Rolling Prairie, Shawnee, and Lincoln Trail to merge into one library system.

A panel, made up of four representatives from each system, has been meeting to facilitate the merger. The panel will submit a final proposal – probably sometime early spring 2011 – and a final decision will be made by July 1. Concerns include finding a central location for operations, streamlining delivery, and coordinating system-wide automation. It is unlikely that the automation question will be answered by the July 1 deadline. Leslie feels there are some advantages to this merger such as consortial discounts for products such as Ebsco's Novelist. For more information about the merger you may go to <http://www.cooperationtoday.org>

Leslie wanted us to know that the LCLS will continue to support both SLING and SWAYS and asked if there were questions, comments, or concerns. Questions were asked about per capita and the use of the building. We may still use the building for meetings and outside groups my lease as well. Julia Pernecka is still the contact person for any Lewis and Clark email list, although there are some that can be joined by individuals.

For more information about LCLS see Leslie's "Moving Forward" column.

The SWAYS business meeting was called to order at 1:55 p.m. by Magi Henderson and seconded by Robin Lovinggood.

The May minutes were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by Kate Kite and seconded by Donna Asbeck. The minutes were approved.

**MAPL** – Anne –upcoming meetings (from Anne & subsequent email)

Monday, September 13, 2010 at 12:30 pm

Glen Carbon Centennial Library **Topic: Summer reading highs and woes**

Monday, November 8, 2010 at 12:30 pm

Kirkwood Public Library (newly expanded and remodeled) **Topic: Baby Programming**

Monday, February 14, 2011 at 12:30 pm

Kathryn Linnemann Branch Library-St. Charles City-County Library District

**Topic: Teen Programming Panel**

Monday, April 11, 2011 at 12:30 pm

Location to be determined **Topic: Providing Inclusive Storytimes & Other Programming**

**YSF** – Kate

The YSF meeting dates are as follows:

9/29 (10-noon) @ ILA Conference Room 323

10/15 (10:30-3) @ Oswego Public Library

There are also 2 proposed meetings in February & April, but no dates have been decided.

**LAC** – Magi – Met 9/2/10. Discussed merger and Magi questioned why there was so little guidance from the State Library. A non-profit consultant was hired for the northern merger – shouldn't the southern merger have the same advantage?

**SLING** – Teri – Talked about school/public library partnerships and need for increased cooperation due to school library layoffs and budget constraints. Discussed difficulty some libraries have making contact with schools due to security and red tape.

**“A Midsummer Knight's Read” SRP 2011**

We shared ideas for next summer's theme. Magi mentioned finding items from Oriental Trading Company, such as cardboard shields and cone shaped medieval hats. She also mentioned medieval re-enactors called *The Barony of Shattered Crystal*: <http://www.shatteredcrystal.org/> Sis has contact information for a knight: Karl M. Kindt III - e-mail: [kkindt@earthlink.net](mailto:kkindt@earthlink.net) Web site is [www.knightforhire.com](http://www.knightforhire.com) Please share any ideas for performers, crafts etc.!

We shared helpful websites for working with children. Most people handed out lists of their favorites.

Kate discussed Operation Anime. DVDs are sent to organizations for free and then evaluation forms are sent back to the company.

The next meeting will be in Freeberg on October 13 at 9:30 a.m. Meeting was adjourned at 2:50.

Minutes submitted by Teri Rankin