

#### Attending:

Megan Buck (Dickinson) Pam Malmsten (SLC), Denise Engel (Wakefield), Lisa Cromell (Munising), Lynne Wiercinski (Ironwood), Amanda Winnicki (Menominee), Andrea Ingmire (Peter White), Alycia McKowen (St. Ignace), Connie Meyer (Crawford), Suzanne Dees (SLC – just for item V. b.)

Got started at about 10:35 CST

Minutes – no questions/comments

SLC Committees –

Grants – no report

Continuing Ed – no report

Programming – no official report, but the committee has been in contact with Cameron Zvara (Pam M) and plans to reach out to Steve Hamilton (Megan)

RIDES – Amanda reported that Lisa W will attend the meeting to discussing next year's contract as part of another committee

Technology – no report

#### Old Business

- a. Pam M reported ii. Luke Bowers was hired as the Network Administrator and is working with Jean, so far he is doing great; iii. Lissa Potter was hired as the System Administrator and has been figuring things out iv. A part-time position for the Technology Assistant was posted and some promising applications have been received.
- b. Pam M reported that the budget will need to have an overhaul with all the recent staffing changes in place and hopes to have it ready for 12/6 meeting
- c. Brief discussion of this committee, working on the pot of money we can change and trying to get things moving early in the year. more to come at January ABL meeting

#### New Business

- a. Meeting moved to December 6<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM EST – Megan encouraged everyone to attend
  - i. Megan noted not enough reps to fill slots for the smaller libraries, encouraged everyone to reach out to colleagues as smaller libraries, great to get representation on the board or get those directors to attend ABL meetings (or both) --- I said that we wanted to fight for Directors to be able to serve on the SLC Board, but the directors aren't coming to the ABL meetings, so it would be great to get them more involved
- b. Suzanne came for this part --- said that Shawn started a conversation with our rep at Sirsi and she wanted support to continue those discussions. Current 4 year contract is up 3/31/2019 and so we don't want to wait too long. Discussion was that it would be good to keep things moving and helpful to have things moving forward when Shawn returns. Agreement would be for Suzanne to work on initial negotiations (no committee, but Suzanne will reach out to people if questions/concerns arise) and then the contract would go to the UPRLC Executive Board ... Hoping for a 3 year contract, but inflator stays lower with longer contract. Noted the ALS meeting in November was cancelled and hasn't been rescheduled yet. Many voiced support, but no action was taken.
- c. Policy Committee – Lisa Waskin has offered to chair this committee and is looking for volunteers – reach out to Lisa if you would like to work on policies. Great way to share expertise or gain experience working on policies and a way for ABL to help out the cooperative. Let Lisa know if interested!

#### Communication

Andrea asked if anyone is using a contract cleaning service vs a person on staff to do the cleaning.

Crawford works with local ISD and has a high functioning group of special needs students who clean the

building. SLC has a contract with Final Touch to come once/week and clean and they also do the lawn care in the summer.

Lisa C. noted that at Munising they have a giving tree and patrons can donate mittens/hats/food pantry items/etc to the tree and then they will donate to the DHHS office; also hosted 3<sup>rd</sup> annual update on homelessness in Central UP (rep from Room at the Inn, etc.)– great event to help people think of others as they start the season of being thankful for what they have.

Next Meeting Date

Short discussion and decided good to meet again in January, Megan will send out a poll for the week of January 14<sup>th</sup> so people can get a date on the calendar and hopefully attend.

Adjourned by consensus at about 11:10 CST