

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
NORTHEAST KANSAS LIBRARY SYSTEM
LAWRENCE, KS
AUGUST 18, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Northeast Kansas Library System and the annual public hearing for the 2012 budget was held in the System office of the Northeast Kansas Library System in Lawrence, KS on August 18, 2011. President Kelley Weber called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

The President called for additions or deletions to the agenda. Item i) Kansas State Reading Festival was added to the business agenda.

The public hearing for the 2012 budget of the Northeast Kansas Library System began at 10:03 a.m. Jim Minges began the meeting by presenting a review of System income sources and program expenditures. He then presented the proposed budget documents for discussion.

With no public comment, and no further discussion, the public hearing on the budget closed at 10:28 a.m. and the Executive Board meeting resumed.

MOTION: M. E. Grosdidier moved that the consent agenda be accepted as printed. This included the June 16, 2011 Executive Board meeting minutes, the June and July 2011 financial reports, and the July and August 2011 warrants in the amounts of \$206,478.59 and \$99,674.83 respectively. Ken Woods seconded and the MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Jim Minges presented his Director's report and covered the following points:

- 1) The State Library is having meetings across the state to discuss LSTA and get ideas on priorities for the future. NEKLS will host one of these meetings on September 22nd from 1-3 p.m.
- 2) NEKLS staff members are traveling to seven locations in the System to have conversations with library staff, trustees and interesting community members regarding NEKLS services and local library issues. These conversations are taking the place of a fall in-service program.
- 3) Mr. Minges participated on the committee that evaluated and chose the databases for the State.

The other monthly reports were accepted as printed.

The first item of business was the adoption of the 2012 budget.

MOTION: Leslee Bowers moved to approve the budget for 2012, and Emily Baker seconded and the MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

The membership petition of USD 464, Tonganoxie was the second business item.

MOTION: Marilyn Daniels moved the membership petition of USD 464 Tonganoxie be approved and forwarded to the State Library of Kansas Advisory Board for final approval. Pamela Tull seconded and the MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

As the third item of business, the Executive Board was presented with a Resolution for Lease Purchase Agreement, Resolution 2011-5. The Resolution was entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE NORTHEAST KANSAS LIBRARY SYSTEM DETERMINING THE ADVISABILITY OF FINANCING THE ACQUISITION AND REMODELING OF AN OFFICE FACILITY BY THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN OPTION TO PURCHASE.

MOTION: Marilyn Daniels moved that said Resolution was adopted. M. E. Grosdidier seconded the motion. Said Resolution was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the adoption of said resolution WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Advocacy issues were the fourth item of business. All library trustees and staff should be prepared to advocate for library service at the local, regional and state levels.

The fifth item of business was E-content. Mr. Minges had three points he presented to the Board:

- 1) Libraries will still need database content beyond the ones provided statewide. NEKLS will work to enable consortial purchases.
- 2) The audiobook content that is in Overdrive currently will be transferred to Recorded Books by November 2011. The Overdrive contract will end on December 6th, and eBooks will move to 3M after that date. When 3M will have the platform ready for statewide use is going to be somewhere between 30-90 days after December 6, 2011.
- 3) All libraries will need to contribute to the statewide catalog of electronic content. The state Library has developed a barebones sliding scale of contributions which will be affordable for all libraries.

The NExpress regional catalog and the “fulfillment” interlibrary loan project was the sixth item of business.

- 1) NExpress will be adding a mobile application, Library Anywhere, in the near future. There are several enhancements in process for NExpress as well.
- 2) The Fulfillment project is an open source ILL program that would ultimately replace Agent. Agent costs the State Library \$500,000 per year. NExpress will beta test with Fulfillment in 2012 or 2013. The State Library will provide funding for the test.

The seventh item of business was the NEKLS accreditation standards and library governance issues. Mr. Minges asked the Board to discuss if it would be more productive to substantially reduce versus eliminate the library development grant of a library with governance not in compliance with standards. Board consensus was to leave the standards as originally approved.

As the eighth item of business, Mr. Minges discussed the System taxing district and local library taxing districts. Jefferson County was used to demonstrate the variations in taxing for libraries.

The final item of business was the State Reading Festival that will be on the grounds of the Kansas Historical Society on September 24th. NEKLS was asked by the Historical Society to participate. Board consensus was that a public presence was a good advocacy opportunity.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m. The next Executive Board meeting will be September 15th at 10:00 a.m. at the Northeast Kansas Library System office in Lawrence, KS.

M. E. Grosdidier, Secretary

ATTENDANCE

Janet Perry	Leavenworth County	Pamela Tull	At Large - Academic
Marilyn Nolte	Nemaha County	Alice Smith	Osage County
Leslee Bowers	Jackson County	Thad Hartman	Shawnee County
Ken Woods	Franklin County		
Marilyn Daniels	Governor's Appointee		
Emily Baker	Johnson County		
Kelley Weber	At-Large		
John Duty	Jefferson County		
M. E. Grosdidier	At-Large Schools	Jim Minges	NEKLS
Kimberly Beets	Wyandotte County	Laura DeBaun	NEKLS