

Merlin Consortium Minutes

August 20, 2020 10:00 am

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

Call to Order 10:00 am Attendance

Quorum met

Attending: NWLS:

Libraries: Bayfield-Nelson, Boulder Junction – Sanderson, Cable – Lendved, Drummond – Arens, Eagle River – Kelman, Grantsburg – Kelley-Johnson, Hayward – Lank-Jones, Iron River – Pooler, Land O Lakes – Zelten, Mellen – Thewis, Mercer – Schmidt, NWLS- Machones Phelps – Hutton, Presque Isle – Knaack, Sayner- Braunel, Shell Lake – Seaton, Spooner-Bodzislav, Superior – Heskin, Washburn-Pendergrass Webster – Meyer, Washburn – Pendergrass, Winchester-Forster, Winter -- Knuckey.

Approval of Minutes (May 7th) (June 9th) Motion made by Donna of Winter ;2nd by Sara from Eagle River passed.

Financial Reports (Gostomski) Motion made by Sue at Superior ;2nd by Donna at Winter, passed.

Reports from members and NWLS staff

NWLS Director -nothing to report.

ILS Specialist (Rae)Gina introduced self and listed her job coverage.

ILS Manager Updates (Johnson) Asking to keep hours updated on the Google spread sheet. Original cataloging to be done by Jackee and Gina. Reminder of user name and password on Sierra is going away sometime in October. New passwords need to have one capital and one number at least. Inventory to be completed by libraries-Schedule to be provided by Jackee. Strategic planning will be starting to take place. Software called “infinity” being tested and Tony will send out more information on it.

IT Update (Kriskovich)Working on solution with printer settings disappearing. Monarch testing stats software, Tony will be sitting in on that.

Other Reports-no more reports.

Merlin Business

Discovery Layer-Pika and Bibliocommons: Pika had the consortium model and they are well tested. Angie from Spooner made a motion to choose Pika and enter into an agreement with them for 2021, 2nd by Sara of Eagle River. Motion carried. This will be implemented in January.

Overdrive Advantage Budget for 2021-Motion to spend \$25000 on the budget for 2021 by Cherie from Boulder Junction, 2nd by Kristina at Cable; Motion carried.

Merlin Budget for 2021-Motion made to accept the budget with the addition of Pika by Sue of Superior; Molly in Hayward. Motion Carried.

Nominating Committee-Chris in Shell Lake, Sue in Superior and Donna in Winter will make up the committee.

Bib Standards Committee-This group will meet quarterly and discuss best practices for cataloging.

Public Relations Committee-Creating a more unified voice for shareholders. Looking for someone to chair the committee outside of Jackee and Gina.

Adjourn 11:02 November 12 next meeting