

Network Task Force Meeting
Helena, MT
6/2/06

Attendees: Don Allen, Cheri Bergeron, Honore Bray, Barry Brown, Bob Cooper, John Finn, Renee Goss, Andrine Haas, Jodee Kawasaki, Lyn McKinney, Bruce Newell, Darlene Staffeldt, Gail Wilkerson, Bonnie Williamson and John York.

Staff: Julie Klauss, Sarah McHugh, Lauren McMullen, Maggie Meredith, Mike Price, Jennie Stapp and Julie Stewart

Visitors: Betsy Garlish, University of Montana, Robert Gebhardt, Montana Historical Society

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

MSL Plan

Staffeldt and Newell shared the MSL website with the task force. Staffeldt said MSL will still take comments and feedback on the website for three or four more weeks. Staffeldt pointed out the “What’s Our Next Story” portion of the website and the members of the task force were each given a copy of the brochure. Staffeldt asked for comments from the task force as to their take on the website.

Bray stated that what she sees in booklet is exactly what the last committee wanted and commended MSL.

The question was asked whether there are any commonalities in the received comments or anything startling.

Staffeldt and Newell said there wasn’t anything starting. Some groups are more concerned that items are attainable while others are concerned with ILL fulfillment.

Brown said we have to be bold in going to the legislature but agreed it needs to be done. Bray appreciates MSL going to legislature and asking for new money.

Staffeldt and Schmitz are going to Governor’s office Monday to see what they think about EPP.

Montana Memories Project –Steven McCann

McCann is the Digital Projects Librarian at the University of Montana. McCann explained the Montana Memories Project. He talked about different digital services libraries offer such as, quality learning spaces, creating metadata, teaching information

literacy, choosing resources and managing resource licenses and maintain digital depositories.

The task force suggested trying to find funding for Content DM and have a state committee coordinate workshops and training. McCann said most important is metadata. CPD in Colorado is moving toward training so they are a resource as is OCLC

Montana Content Cooperative Pilot – Charly Bauer, OCLC

Bauer from OCLC described the Montana Content Cooperative Pilot project. He mentioned there are new enhancements to our cataloging project which enables us to create, publish and preserve digital content. This works through the OCLC catalog interface. The State of Montana has been approved to work through this project. That captures 750 libraries. They are making world cat a digital content management platform. Bauer said they are having a training session in June and perhaps they can record it and it could be used as training for smaller libraries.

Montana Shared Catalog - Sarah McHugh

Nine new libraries have been added to Shared Catalog. The next deadline for applying is June 30th. There are possible changes for the new schedule for bringing new libraries on board. There will be one application deadline for new libraries which would be April 15 and that gives staff and NTF time to review the applications and get them to Darlene in time for her to have time to review LSTA monies and that would put her in place to give an approved list of applicants to the December commission meeting. Then in February we would let libraries know they've been accepted.

The task force agreed that having one application deadline was a good idea and would simplify the process.

Ask a Montana Librarian project – Betsy Garlish – UM-Tech

Garlish explained the Ask a Montana Librarian project. It consists of 24 libraries. They are linked on MLN and reach all Montanans now. They use Question Point software from OCLC. This program allows for 24 hour service to ask a librarian anything.

NTF Charge from last meeting

Newell mentioned there will a meeting in Great Falls, Friday, June 9, 2006 at 10:00 in which this project will be discussed.

Jennifer Pearson, OCLC discussed the NCIP pilot. She said they have been talking to Newell and others about doing a pilot with MT in order to facilitate the discovery/delivery process and working with library vendors to initiate new ideas for delivery services. The discovery would include World Cat using a new search product. The

delivery is allowing patrons to research request and check in and check out. OCLC expects the project to begin August and it will run six or eight months.

Newell talked about ILL protocols. He discussed the handout on fulfillment guidelines. He envisions two sets of protocols, the first being ILL protocols and the second being fulfillment protocols.

Brown asked where this is going because of funding.

Newell asked where Brown wants this to go. We want to do what we can to make that possible. What needs to happen to make it easier for you?

McKinney said getting everyone on the same page would make it easier.

Kawasaki asked who's responsible for that book or video that goes out and doesn't come back? Who do I fine if the book doesn't come back?

Newell said it should be the host library. He asked how to proceed with this ILL protocol?

The task force thought there should be a special work session for ILL and that special note should take place of non returnables.

Newell said we'll do a fulfillment task force having players from university system. He may spend half a day with either Brown or Kawasaki.

Seeking Statewide Funding – Darlene

Prior to the task force meeting, a memo regarding MSL's EPP was provided to the task force members. This has been sent to the Governor's office. Staffeldt and Kris Schmitz will meet with the Governor's office Monday morning.

Staffeldt mentioned there is a formal hearing scheduled June 8, 10:00 a.m. re ILL rules in Montana. She asked that any comments re ILL hearing be sent via email to Julie Stewart at MSL by June 16, 2006. She ensured the task force that she would remind Bill Cochran, from Billings, that he would need to submit comments to Julie Stewart by June 16, 2006. .

Training, Calendar – Bob Cooper/ Lauren McMullen–

Cooper introduced Lauren McMullen who is the training specialist for the MSL. McMullen shared the training calendar from the MSL web. McMullen said in the past couple of months, she has traveled to many libraries and has found out there are multitudes of training needed. There are two areas of primary concern and they are OCLC and Infotrac services. The long range plan involves bringing in people that are

entitled to these services but haven't used them yet. McMullen asked that the committee let her know of any training needs.

NTF membership – Staffeldt

Staffeldt thanked and applauded Bray as she moved to a large library. This means this is her last meeting on the Network Task Force. Bonnie Williamson represented Federation coordinators and is no longer on the Federation, so this is her last meeting also. Staffeldt asked the committee to submit any recommendations for new members to either Newell or herself.

Newell said that some of the topics for the next meeting would be audio books, new contract with OCLC pricing and report back from fulfillment task force.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05.