

Memo

To: Darlene Staffeldt
State Librarian

To: Montana State Library
Commission

From: Bob Cooper, Chair
Network Advisory Council

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Date: April 6, 2009

Re: Recommendations from the Network Advisory Council (NAC) meeting of April 1, 2009.

The Network Advisory Council at its April 1, 2009 meeting approved the following recommendations to be forwarded to the State Librarian and the State Library Commission:

Recommendation #1: Council recommends acceptance of all nine new applicant libraries into the Montana Shared Catalog (MSC) and provision of LSTA funding to cover eligible start-up costs for these libraries as per the MSC application process.

The approved applicants are:

<u>NAME OF LIBRARY</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED LSTA AWARD</u>
Ashland Public School	\$ 4,440.00
Bridger Public Library	\$ 6,326.81
Glasgow City-County Library	\$ 15,587.88
Joliet Public Library	\$ 10,065.32
Lincoln County High School	\$ 6,190.00
Manhattan Community & School Library	\$ 9,050.43
Parmly Billings Library	\$ 69,868.50
Red Lodge Carnegie Library	\$ 16,882.35
Stone Child College/Rocky Boy Community Library	\$ 6,190.00
Additional Data Migration Costs	\$ 9,360.00
TOTAL LSTA FUNDING RECOMMENDED:	\$153,961.29

Recommendation #2: Council recommends approval of the LSTA FY 2009 Budget as proposed by the State Library.

Additional NAC Request regarding National Library Service and Montana Talking Book Library patrons (*non-budget item*):

Council encourages the Commission to write a letter to the National Library Service (NLS) conveying the need for NLS to adopt a more forward thinking approach to providing digital content access and equipment to Montana Talking Book patrons. Council expresses concern that the needs of this identified group of Montana citizens are not going to be adequately met by current NLS plans for the provision of digital content and equipment to regional libraries like the State Library's Talking Book Program.