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STATE LIBRARY COUNCIL
MINUTES
March 22, 2010 – Conference Call

Present:

Council Members:

Steven Benetz, Chairman
Cherry Alexander
Jeff Donnelly
Sharon Hartman
Doris Lewis
Carolyn McClendon

Staff:

Judith A. Ring, Secretary
Jennifer Womble
Loretta L. Flowers
Cathy Moloney

Introductions

The regular meeting of the State Library Council was called to order at 9:05 a.m. on Monday, March 22, 2010, via conference call. Chairman Steven Benetz and Council Secretary Judith A. Ring were present. Introductions were made and a quorum was announced.

Adoption of the Agenda

A motion to adopt the March 22, 2010 agenda was made by Cherry Alexander. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the November 13, 2009 meeting was made by Doris Lewis. The motion was seconded and they were approved unanimously.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will possibly be in June to discuss pending budget and legislative issues. Further information on this meeting will be provided at a later date.

Division Update

Legislative Sunset Review

Proposed Committee Bill GAAC 10-02 was put forth and passed in the House Government Accountability Act Council. This PCB relates to the Sunset Review of the Department of State under the Florida Government Accountability Act. Among other Departmental changes, it renames and revises the duties of the State Library Council. Specifically, it abolishes the Florida Library Network Council and redirects its network and electronic library functions to the State Library Council, renaming it the Information Services Council.

Additional amendments to the PCB were adopted by the GAAC to update and redefine the Division of Library and Information Services' State Publications Program.

The Division anticipates the Senate bill will mirror the House bill language.

SFY09-10 Budget

No requests for budget holdbacks or budget reductions have been made.

SFY10-11 Budget

Legislative budget comparison report overview:

- House recommendation of \$1,000,000 for Multitype Library Cooperatives; no recommendation from Governor or Senate.
- Governor's recommendation redirects funding for State Aid to Libraries from recurring dollars to nonrecurring dollars; House and Senate reduce remaining \$8,461,950 nonrecurring dollars, eliminating funding; House provides \$500,000 placeholder to ensure funding discussions among legislative budget committees.
- Recommendations included for funding from the Conservation and Recreation Lands trust fund in the amount of \$100,000 to have a specialized preservation company review the conservation needs of some of the archival treasures located in the Division.
- Recommendations included to convert a Library Services and Technology Act funded OPS position to a full time Sound Archivist.
- Transfer from expenses fund to contracted services fund for maintenance of the Electronic Rulemaking System included.

Legislation

The Division is closely watching the Department's Sunset Review bill. No other significant legislation related to the Division has been filed.

Old Business

Return on Investment Study

Preliminary findings show the statewide return on investment increased from \$6.54 in 2004 to \$8.32 in 2008. The current study also examines the social value of public libraries and will provide a return on investment calculation for each county. The final report will be received later in 2010.

Electronic Recordkeeping Strategic Plan

The Division issued an Electronic Recordkeeping Strategic Plan, which addresses "areas of particular concern, such as outdated technology and the need to ensure long-term access to electronic records created using such technology."

The plan is available online and is intended to provide guidance and assistance to state agencies in properly managing their electronic records in accordance with public record laws and rules. The Division will survey state agencies annually during the time period covered to track progress toward the strategic goals and objectives addressed in the plan.

Library Systems and Services, LLC

The administrative challenge filed by Library Systems and Services, LLC was dismissed by an Administrative Law Judge. No appeal was filed in the First District Court of Appeal.

Broadband Technology Opportunities Program Grant

The Division did not receive funding from the federal government broadband grant. The Division's application did however receive high priority on the Governor's ranking list for public computing funding, which was considered in the review process by the federal government.

New Business

Florida Libraries and Grants Database

The Division recently released an informational online database, Florida Libraries and Grants. Information for and about Florida libraries is available to the public at any time through Florida Libraries and Grants.

The database provides mailing and physical addresses for libraries of all types, as well as listings of selected staff members with contact information. Information about grants the library has applied for from the Division is also available.

A future enhancement to Florida Libraries and Grants will include an online grant application module.

Multicounty Library Cooperative

Alachua, Levy, and Putnam counties are beginning to discuss at the local level the mutual benefits of forming a Multicounty Library Cooperative. Multicounty Library Cooperatives receive State Aid to Libraries base grants, which come off of the top of State Aid to Libraries dollars.

State Documents Collection Policy

A motion to approve the Division's State Documents Collection Policy was made by Cherry Alexander. The motion was seconded and adopted with no debate.

Members recapped what is happening in libraries, archives, or records centers in their areas.

The meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

Steven Benetz, Chairman

Judith A. Ring, Secretary

Date Approved