

**INDIANA STATE LIBRARY
ADVISORY COUNCIL (ISLAC)
Meeting Minutes
April 23, 2010**

Chair David Lewis called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Members Present

Catisha Coates, Amy Harshbarger, Mary Jackson, Charles Jones, John Keller, Martha LaBounty, David Lewis, Carolyn Wheeler, and Susan Wheeler.

Indiana State Library Staff Present

Martha Ringel, Marcia Smith-Woodard, Jake Speer, and Virginia Vought.

Members Absent

James Cline, John Lamborn, and Kay Martin.

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

Approval of January 29, 2010 Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes was made by David Lewis.

State Library Report

[Exhibit A]

A few comments and questions were raised during the State Library report. Lewis suggested that the State Library announce when INSPIRE selections will be made public. Lewis suggested that the State Library document cuts to positions, hours, and services in public and school libraries in the state to develop a comprehensive picture that would communicate losses in library service to the public. Keller noted that the Department of Education collects employment information for all schools but that it would be helpful to have more recent data than they can provide. Carolyn Wheeler suggested balancing information on cuts with information on the increasing demand for library services. LaBounty suggested partnering with Workforce Development to illustrate what skills will be required of new workers, including high school graduates. Keller stated that a lot of schools are interested in digital curriculum and will need assistance navigating new technologies. LaBounty asked how close the Talking Books library was to getting on Evergreen. Speer responded that there are no plans at this time.

Officer Reports

There were no officer reports.

Committee Reports

Speer reported that the Resource Sharing Committee has updated the guidelines for Interlibrary Loan in Indiana. The guidelines were based on the American Library Association's resource sharing plan, as had the previous version. The guidelines include a template for libraries to develop their own policies.

Old Business

The Resource Sharing Committee requested ISLAC endorsement of the new Resource Sharing Manual. A motion to approve the manual as proposed was made by Carolyn Wheeler. Harshbarger seconded and the motion passed.

New Business

There was no new business.

Announcements

There were no announcements.

Adjournment

Carolyn Wheeler moved for adjournment at 10:35 a.m. The motion was seconded by Mary Jackson and was passed.

[Exhibit A]

Indiana State Library's Quarterly Report to ISLAC April 23, 2010

LSTA Technology and Digitization Sub-Grants

2010 LSTA Technology and Digitization grants have been awarded. Funds in the amount of \$150,000 were allocated to the 2010 Digitization sub-grant program. The Indiana State Library received 14 applications for Digitization grants, requesting over \$257,000 in LSTA funds. Nine libraries were selected for sub-grant awards. These nine grants were distributed between six academic libraries and three public libraries. Funding for the 2010 LSTA Technology sub-grant program was increased to \$225,000 to aid public libraries working to meet upcoming Public Library Standards for technology. The Indiana State Library received 43 applications for Technology sub-grants, requesting more than \$328,000 in LSTA funds. Thirty libraries received grants, for a total award of over \$225,000. The awards were distributed among 26 public libraries, two academic libraries, and two school media centers. Projects ranged from adding public access computers to meet technology standards to developing mobile laptop classrooms for computer skills training.

INSPIRE

The current set of INSPIRE databases expires July 1, 2010 and the State Library is currently in negotiations with vendors for content beyond July 1. The State Library is working with Serial Solutions to transition INSPIRE from WebFeat to 360 Search for its federated search engine. INSPIRE workshops are currently being held across the state on the new features.

Indiana Libraries Leading In Diversity (ILLID)

The recruitment phase of the ILLID project has ended, and 31 fellows were selected. The fellows participated in the March Library Career Expo by introducing speakers and other duties. The fellows will next participate in the Annual Forum, which will be held at the State Library on May 10th. They will receive instruction on improving resumes and writing cover letters, participate in a mock interview, and hear from keynote speaker Dr. Lorie Roy, former ALA Director and Professor in the School of Information at the University of Texas at Austin. Seven of the first cohort of 10 fellows will graduate in May, with one each following in June, August, and December. The next class will graduate in December. The website (<http://in.gov/library/3703.htm>) lists their bios with contact information and more; resumes will soon be linked. The project ends August 31, 2011.

The ILLID project will be presented at the Culture Keeper's Conference sponsored by the Black Caucus of the American Library Association. Marcia Smith-Woodard will present the project, a member of the library's Diversity Advisory Council will speak about the role of the supporters, and one of the fellows will speak about her experience in the project.

School Media Specialists

The Indiana State Library and AIME are concerned about a trend among Indiana schools to cut school media specialist positions. State Library staff met with John Keller from the Department of Education and Marilyn Irwin from the IUPUI School of Library and Information Science to discuss what might be done to help prevent further cuts. The State Library is considering an Innovative Library Technology sub-grant involving Ebook readers. Another meeting may be held to brainstorm how to highlight the impact of school media specialists and prevent future job losses. Jake Speer will distribute information on how ISLAC members may become involved.

Evergreen Indiana

There are currently 77 member libraries, nearly 60 of which are live. Forty-eight of the state's 92 counties are now served by Evergreen and the total of residents served is now 732,000. The State Library will go live on April 30th. State Library staff members are currently attending the national Evergreen conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The second annual Evergreen Indiana conference will be held May 11, 2010 at the State Library.