

McMac Annual Report for FY12 Covering July 1, 2011 – May 31, 2012

McMac held two meetings during this period. On Sept. 27, 2011 we met in Columbia, MO at the MOBIUS headquarters. On March 21, 2012 we held a conference call.

The topic that received the most attention is Patron Driven Acquisitions. Several libraries have been planning some type of PDA program. Two or three were started during this period. A second popular discussion topic was E-Books. Several libraries are exploring approaches to them. Marketing E-Books to patrons was of particular interest. For both PDA and E-Book programs, every library has unique ideas and approaches.

During the Sept. 27 meeting the group passed a recommendation to the MOBIUS Board that the Database Cafeteria Program be continued and explored. Nothing more has been heard about this.

McMac favors the exploration for policy models other than the use of FTE to determine the cost of databases by vendors. Possibly the new consortial services person can pursue this.

There was discussion about having another conference call meeting in June after the MOBIUS Annual Conference. Nothing has been scheduled.

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