**Members Present:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Laurie Hathman, President  At-Large Member | Rockhurst University |
| Eileen Condon, Vice-President/President-Elect and At-large member | Webster University |
| Valerie Darst, Past President | Retired |
| Renee Gorrell, Secretary and Special Libraries Representative | Goldfarb School of Nursing |
| Ellen Dickman, Treasurer and At-Large Member | Logan University |
| Sally Gibson, At-Large Member (*attended online*) | Missouri Western State University |
| Claudia Cook, Public Library Representative (*attended online*) | Missouri River Regional Library |
| Waheedah Bilal, At-Large Member | Lincoln University |
| Ed Walton, At-Large Member | Southwest Baptist University |
| Lea Briggs, Academic Library Representative | Northwest Missouri State University |
| Susan Swogger, At-Large Member | A.T. Still University |
| Donna Bacon, Executive Director | MOBIUS |
| Robin Westphal, State Librarian | Missouri State Library |

**Members Absent:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Katie Marney, At-Large Member | Culver-Stockton College |

1. Call to order- Laurie Hathman called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.
2. Adoption of the agenda-Board members did self-introductions for the benefit of new At-Large member, Waheedah Bilal. Lea moved and Eileen seconded adoption of the agenda; motion passed.
3. Approval of December 6, 2019 Board meeting minutes: Eileen moved and Claudia seconded to approve the minutes; motion passed.
4. Treasurer’s Report, Ellen Dickman: The Board discussed net assets, budget remaining, and expenses. The budget is on target for this fiscal year.
5. Committee Reports:   
   i. Circulation and Courier (Sally Gibson): The Board looked at the handout Sally referenced. At their last meeting, they talked about the survey results. There was a decision to give up scanning of the courier bags in order to save money.   
   ii. User Experience and Metadata (Katie Marney): They had a meeting on February 4 and discussed Linked Data.  
   iii. E-Resources (Susan Swogger)- Susan reported that they had sent a survey to see if members want open forum meetings at MOBIUS annual conference, and have vendors join those open discussion meetings. There was discussion about how to invite people to these sessions; the emails will come from Christina V., and may be set up as a series.   
   iv. ILS Software and Services (Ellen Dickman)- Steve updated the committee on ILS software concerns. They will be having a meeting soon; work is being done on a training survey.   
   v. Public Libraries (Claudia Cook)- Claudia has an idea for a presentation at the June MOBIUS conference. She wants this to be of interest for public libraries.   
   vi. Digitization (Ed Walton)- The committee met in December regarding sending a survey. Donna spoke about the digitization project with the State Library; they will be working together on a grant. Robin added this is intended to be on-going, not just for one year. They want to make the grant application process easy. Training will be a component of the grant. There is enthusiasm about this project among Board members, but someone mentioned that there will be members that are unable to receive state government money.
6. Old Business  
   i. Innovative Maintenance offer survey results; There was discussion of the survey and initial responses. Donna told the board that Shaheen Javadizadeh has left Innovative, as well as 25% of Innovative’s upper management. Tom Jacobson is still at Innovative. Donna has asked Tom if the 4-year offer is still available, but has not yet heard an answer. There was discussion of Ex Libris ownership by ProQuest, and how many other entities they own as well, which might provide opportunities for efficiencies. There was board discussion of the survey about considering a 4-year commitment to stay with MOBIUS. Laurie reminded the board that we are and will continue to be transparent with members. The board is doing its due diligence in conjunction with the strategic plan. There was discussion about the current contract and the wording regarding if members leave. The board will remind members that we already have a plan in place to continue using contingency funds should the Innovative offer not be viable.  
   ii. Inspire Discovery (moved from agenda item VI, iii) Donna told the board that Inspire Discovery has been discontinued after Ex Libris purchased Innovative. Inspire development will be incorporated into ProQuest Summon and Ex Libris Primo. Hilary Newman, Senior Vice President of Customer Support and Customer Success at Innovative informed Donna that libraries on Knowledgebase ERM from EBSCO would have to remove records by April. There was discussion of the difference between EBSCO and ProQuest databases and discovery services.   
   iii. Linked Data (moved from agenda item VI, ii). The board discussed the planned purchase of this from Zepheira via Innovative. Donna will be talking with Tom about this as well. If the board recommends cancelling the purchase, it would require a vote from membership since they approved the purchase.
7. New Business  
   i. Planning for March membership meeting: This will be a brainstorming meeting to ask for their input in order to meet their needs in the future, including how MOBIUS can support them. This is part of the strategic planning cycle. The assessment task force has paused in their work for now. Ideas for the meeting included using small groups for conversations, writing comments on cards, having one question written per table and everyone at tables writes comments, building on each other’s comments. We will ask members via a survey to respond to provided topic suggestions and then to include any others that matter to them. After Board discussion, the plan for the March membership meeting will be to use small group / table discussions. We will use questions at each table. They will have a link to the OhioLINK and Ithaka S+R report It’s Not What Libraries Hold, It’s Who Libraries Serve and be encouraged to read it prior to the meeting.   
   ii. There will be four open board positions, for which to solicit nominations: two at-large members, one public library representative, and one stand alone representative. All will be three-year terms. The ILS committee is losing two members so replacements will be designated in the summer when committee appointments are done.   
   iii. New listening visits schedule: Suggested sites were Baptist Bible College and to ask for others who are interested.
8. Executive Director’s Report- The board reviewed the new MOBIUS website front page. Jacque Gage was selected to attend the IUG conference. Donna reported that Steve, Laurie and she visited the KC Kansas Community College about the possibility of them joining MOBIUS.  They are waiting on approval from their administration. North Texas Library Consortium is another MOSS library. The membership approved changing the STAT contract and dropping scanning/tracking in order to save money. MOBIUS offered to host the Evergreen International conference in April 2021. Donna, Debbie Luchenbill, and Maegan Gattorna toured the new Loew’s Hotel in Kansas City. Donna reported that she has had conversations with other INN-Reach directors about INN-Reach, and conversations with Tom; these have been discussions regarding the future of INN-Reach. Ex Libris has developed a resource sharing tool, Rapido. ProQuest bought Rapid ILL; this may replace ArticleReach. Donna plans to meet with the Provost at State Technical College to answer their questions, as there currently is no library director.
9. State Librarian’s Report- Robin reported they have just rolled out the online grant management system to replace the manual processing previously done. There will be an additional $96k in LSTA funding next year. Crosby Kemper, formerly the Director of the Kansas City Public Library, is the new Director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Robin also reported a $1 million increase for REAL funding. The Missouri State Library received recognition at ALA Midwinter in January for its early literature programs. March 11 is Library Advocacy Day. Robin reported a goal for the State Library is to reach as many state employees as possible, and to create a LibGuide for every agency. Wolfner Library is focusing on a Duplication-on-Demand service. Amy Poos is the new recording studio manager at Wolfner.
10. Other Business- none
11. Next Board meetings- April 3, 2020 and June 3, 2020; Membership meetings: March 6, 2020; June 1, 2020
12. Meeting adjourned at 2:18 pm.

Renee Gorrell, MOBIUS Board Secretary  
February 19, 2020