

MOBIUS Membership Meeting Minutes  
June 3, 2024 3 p.m.- 4 p.m.  
Courtyard Marriott Columbia, MO

Members Present:

Kim Kietzman	Altoona Public Library
Tom Pfeifer	Avila University
Steven Gromatzky	Benedictine College
Renee Brumett	Christian County Library
Eric Stancliff	Concordia Seminary
Courtney Trautweiler	Cottey College
Steve Jamieson	Covenant Theological Seminary
Eric Deatherage	Crowder College
Lisa Farrell	East Central College
Richard Oliver	Evangel University
Megan Channell	Kansas City Art Institute
Jake Durham	Lincoln University
Liz MacDonald	Lindenwood University
Ellen Dickman	Logan University
Paul Worrell	Maryville University
Beth Calderello	North Central MO College
Ed Walton	NW MO State University
Danielle Theiss	Park University
Shellie Austin	SW Baptist University
Sarah Smith	St. Louis Community College
Janet Romine	Truman State University
Eileen Condon	Webster University
Victoria Knight	Westminster College
Rebecca Hamlett	William Jewell College

Guests/Proxys Present:

Darla Meyer	Benedictine College
Brady Shuman	Fontbonne
Taylor Humphreys	Jefferson College
Chris Vaughn	Midwestern Baptist
DeAnn Isenhower	MO Southern State University
Tom Leimkuehler	MO State Library
Donna Monnig	Moberly Area Community College
Jason Brunderman	SE MO State University
Stephanie Ruhe	Springfield- Greene Co Library
Jessie Park	St. Charles City County Library
Sarah Brown	St. Louis County Library
Jenna Mitchell	State Tech College of MO
Sarah Francka-Jones	Springfield Greene Co. Library
Jenny Ertel	Springfield Greene Co. Library

Roger Weaver	MST University
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Members Online:

Susan Townsend	Columbia College
Katie Marney	Culver-Stockton College
Rebecca Van Kniest	Fontbonne
Julie Andresen	Hannibal LaGrange University
Lori Fitterling	Kansas City University
Diane Martin	Metropolitan Community College
Rachelle Brandel	MO Baptist University
Robin Westphal	MO State Library
Laura Kromer	MO State Library
Sally Gibson	MO Western State University
Jennifer Nutefall	Saint Louis University
Barbara Glakin	SE MO State University
Theresa Flett	St. Charles Community College
Stephanie Nordmann	St. Louis County Library
Christ Dames	University of MO- St. Louis

I. Opening the Meeting

- A. Call to order – Donna Monnig-Wideman (President). The meeting was called to order at 3:05pm.

B. Introductions

1. Outgoing Board Members: Donna Monnig-Wideman thanked outgoing Board members Chris Dames, Sally Gibson, and Doug Holland.
2. MOBIUS Board 2024 – 2025: Donna Monnig-Wideman introduced new Board members Eric Deatherage, Bella Gerlich, Emily Jaycox, Samantha Perkins, Sarah Smith, and Ed Walton.
3. New Deans/Directors were introduced: Rebecca van Kniest from Fontbonne, Rachelle Brandel from Missouri Baptist, and Bella Gerlich from Missouri S&T.
4. Proxies for this Meeting:
  - Brady Shuman for Rebecca van Kniest of Fontbonne
  - Taylor Humphreys for Lisa Pritchard of Jefferson College
  - Eileen Condon for Liz MacDonald of Lindenwood
  - Chris Vaughn for Matt Millsap of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

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- Donna Monnig-Wideman for Sally Gibson of MO Western State
  - Jason Bruenderman for Barbara Glackin of Southeast Missouri State
  - Sarah Brown for Stephanie Nordmann of St. Louis County Library
  - Jenna Mitchell for Andrew Medley of State Technical College of Missouri
- C. Adoption of the Agenda: Ed Walton motioned to adopt the agenda, and Sarah Smith seconded. The agenda was adopted by vote of the members.
- D. Approval of the June 5, 2023 Membership meeting minutes. Courtney Trautweiler (???) motioned to approve the minutes, and Eric Deatherage seconded. The minutes were approved by vote of the members.
- II. Treasurer's Report – Eric Deatherage, Treasurer: Eric reported that finances are stable and healthy. A grant for the migration fell through, but we were able to cover this with reserves.
- III. Committee Reports
- A. Bylaws – Sally Gibson. Donna Monnig-Wideman reported on Sally's behalf that the bylaws were updated in June 2023 to change the minimum number of membership meetings to one per year.
  - B. Circulation and Courier – Eileen Condon. The committee's most recent meeting was May 14, 2024. The committee recommended changing the replacement fee portion of the Lost/damaged book policy to charge the actual replacement cost for an item rather than a default replacement cost. This change was approved by the Board and implemented January 4, 2024. Scott Peterson and Steve Strohl at MOBIUS were instrumental in activating the change. The committee distributed a courier survey, receiving 67 responses. The membership is generally satisfied with courier services and noted some issues with missed and delayed deliveries. There were also comments related to delivery routes and labels and bands. Action items from the survey for the upcoming iteration of the committee included: providing courier route information on the MOBIUS website, updating the adhesive label webinar, offering a webinar on courier services, providing a template with six labels per page, and making delivery ranges more explicit. The committee discussed the possibility of a reciprocal ILL agreement with Prospector, but this is on hold until the connection with Prospector resumes. The committee has received a request to consider discontinuing book bands and will review this once OpenRS is live.
  - C. Digitization – Jill Mahoney. The current digitization grant is for July-to-July. Institutions froze their repository data in September in preparation for the migration to Hyku. There

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have been delays on scientist.com's end in importing data. Only 60% of the data was migrated by the end of December. A training plan was prepared but postponed due to the migration delays. On April 20, MOBIUS learned that scientist.com was having issues with the new importer software. Last week libraries got hyku account requests, and data migration has restarted. Truman and Webster will be migrated by scientist.com due to the size of their repositories; Adrienne will do the rest of the libraries.

- D. E-Resources – Eric Deatherage. The committee last met on March 29, 2024. They completed the first e-resources marketing contest successfully. They also developed a vendor statement for the website. The committee is currently considering the possibility of offering training sessions for e-resources platforms.
- E. Professional Development – David Morris. Paul Worrell delivered the report. The committee last met on May 16, 2024. They have continued the cycle of conference and professional grants. In the past year they refined the process, offering two cycles with \$2500 each in funding, for January-June 2024 and July-December 2024. The committee reviewed applications and sent finalists to the Board. The Board approved grants for Michael Lewis from Missouri S&T to attend the American Society for Engineering Education conference, and for Rebecca Benson at Missouri Botanical Garden to attend the Rare Book School course. The committee revised the application form and did direct and targeted messaging, which worked to increase applications. The committee also developed a calendar of professional development opportunities around the country. They plan to keep this calendar updated.

IV. New Business

- A. OpenRS GoLive. Donna Bacon reminded the group that go-live has been postponed to June 12 but that we are on target for that date. EBSCO will provide a detailed update on the timeline at the Future of OpenRS session at the conference, and there will be an OpenRS forum later in the day. The ability to automatically remove virtual records has been tested and is in production. Testing for FOLIO ECS libraries started on June 3.

- V. President's Report – Donna Monnig-Wideman. Donna reported that the State Library had planned to provide a grant of \$279K for FOLIO implementation costs, but they did not receive all the federal funding they were expecting and could not provide the grant. The Board agreed to take the funds from reserves to pay for implementation. There was a decrease in assessment of 6% for upcoming year. The need for a cataloging committee has been identified. The Board has agreed to create this committee, and volunteers have been recruited. Members will be appointed at the June 5 Board meeting. FOLIO migration took place as planned on May 22, 2024. Donna expressed gratitude for the work of the MOBIUS Consortium staff on this project. She noted that the move to FOLIO opens the door to new members.

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- VI. Executive Director and Strategic Plan Update – Donna Bacon. Donna reported that go-live went well. There were many questions, but no major problems were reported. The MOBIUS office offered an all-day Zoom session (open office hours) on go-live day, which was well-attended with 35-40 people on it most of the time. MOBIUS will continue offering Thursday 2pm open forums and will add Mondays at 10am. These forums will continue for as long as they are needed.

The MOBIUS office is receiving many help desk tickets, and currently has more than 500 open, some of which are complex. Staff working hard to try to resolve the tickets and Donna asked for patience while they work through the backlog.

Adrienne Detwiler, Christina Virden, and Donna Bacon attended the EBSCO Users' Group meeting. Adrienne and Donna gave a well-attended presentation on EBSCO Consortia Services. Donna and George Machovec, Executive Director of Prospector, gave the plenary on OpenRS. Donna participated in an ICOLC resource sharing panel on OpenRS. MOBIUS is getting publicity around the world because of the OpenRS project. MOBIUS helped facilitate the Spring 2024 Affordable & Open Educational Resources conference. The office is working with xxx???? to coordinate OER at state level.

MOSS migrated 25 community colleges in North Carolina to an Evergreen consortium. They started on a second cohort of 25 libraries. They added one library, Warren Public Library, to NC Cardinal.

Blake Graham-Henderson is becoming prominent in the Evergreen community and is facilitating a developer's interest group. MOBIUS will offer MessageBee to Evergreen libraries.

The strategic plan ends this year, and the Board will need to decide about next steps for the plan.

- VII. State Librarian's Report – Robin Westphal. On May 23, the Reference Services Division held a training session for state employees on FOLIO and how to do requests. They will offer more training soon. Reference Services also manages the state's government documents and has uploaded 20K+ state publications into Internet Archive. Ref Services produces a newsletter, *Beyond the Stacks*, to inform state employees about library services. The Wolfner Library is distributing Zoomax Braille e-Readers to patrons who are exclusively Braille or Braille-proficient. Wolfner has started a weekly podcast for patrons with tips and troubleshooting. One session will cover accessible voting. Wolfner also began a Mail and Make crafts program for adults, which includes instructions in audio or Braille. This was something patrons requested on a survey. The youth and adult services librarians are starting summer reading program activities: books clubs, reading challenges, etc. The State Library received less federal funding than usual. The Library

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Development Team is continuing to support the Show Me the World project (courier), OCLC, and Missouri Evergreen. The Municipal Library Consortium in St. Louis is the most recent library to join MO Evergreen. Steve Potter is the Executive Director of MO Evergreen, which has hired a cataloger and a migration specialist. The Missouri Legislature session ended dramatically. None of the library-related bills made it through Missouri's Senate. There will be many new legislators who will need to be educated on importance of libraries and library funding.

### VIII. Announcements

- A. Next MOBIUS Board Meeting: June 5, 2024
- B. Next MOBIUS Membership Meeting: TBD

### IX. Adjournment. Sarah Smith motioned to adjourn, and Kim Kietzman seconded. Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.