

MEETING NOTES

Library System Standards Committee

Meeting #5

Feb. 17, 2009; 10 a.m.

Illinois State Library, Springfield

Present: David Carlson, Chairman
Marilyn Boria
Tom Dorst
Tina Hubert
David Joens
James Quisenberry (via conference call until 11 a.m..)
Jane Sharka
State Library staff:
Anne Craig
Kathleen Bloomberg
Lawren Tucker
Joe Natale

Approval of Minutes

The committee corrected and approved the minutes of the Jan. 16, 2009 meeting. The approved notes will be posted on the Illinois State Library web site.

Administrative Leadership Standards

Before proceeding with these standards, more guidance is being requested from the State Library and the Office of Secretary of State in order to address the concerns in the Inspector General's audit of the regional library systems. Another concern is how to codify and measure leadership, since leadership involves risk-taking that may go beyond the bounds of administrative rules. Prior to the next scheduled standards committee meeting, the State Library staff will consult with the Secretary of State's staff on the State Librarian's expectations for the revised standards.

Review of Web Junction Comments

Comments from the library community on the standards were reviewed, including the following:

- The standards should set out the core services provided by the library systems;
- The enforcement of membership standards need to be carried out by the systems and the State Library, especially in the Administrative Standards;
- There should not be excessive reporting requirements in the standards;
- The roles and responsibilities of the State Library should be addressed;
- There is concern about combining Professional Development with Consulting

Resource Sharing Standards

The revised Resource Sharing standards were reviewed with a number of stylistic and phraseology changes suggested. A major concern of the State Library is that it has made a substantial investment in Local Library System Automation Programs, and encouraging

participation in an LSAP is beyond what the State Library has been doing. Systems should be encouraging libraries to participate in Local Library System Automation Programs. Prior to be posted on the system standards Web Junction site, a corrected version of the Resource Sharing Standards will be presented to the Standards Committee.

Next Steps

The Chair will select members of committee to work on the Technology Standards, and the committee will continue to monitor the WebJunction Illinois site for comments, especially those related to the Professional Development Standards.

Next Meeting

The Standards Committee will reconvene at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2009 at the Illinois State Library. [Note: The April 24, 2009 meeting was later cancelled]

-----Notes by Joe Natale, Illinois State Library