RPLAC meeting

Spring library directors meeting - April 29, 2015 (Columbus, GA)

RPLAC members present: Claudia Gibson, Pam Grigg, Alan Harkness, Beth McIntyre, Gary McNeely, Richard Sanders, Keith Schuermann, Roni Tewkbury, Allison Weissinger.

Attendees:

Urban Single County	Conyers-Rockdale Library System	Stacy Brown
Urban Single County	Conyers-Rockdale Library System	Ben G. Carter
Urban Single County	Dougherty County Public Library	Pauline Abidde
Urban Single County	Forsyth County Library System	Anna Lyle
Urban Single County	Houston County Public Library	Mark Bohnstedt
Urban Single County	Newton County Library System	Lace Keaton
Urban Rural Multi-County	Flint River Regional Library System	Natalie Marshall
Urban Rural Multi-County	Northeast Georgia Regional Library	Delana Knight
Urban Rural Multi-County	Sara Hightower Regional Library	Delana Hickman
Urban Rural Multi-County	Statesboro Regional Library System	Jennifer Durham
Urban Rural Multi-County	Uncle Remus Regional Library System	Steve Schaefer
Rural Single County	Elbert County Public Library	Janet Burroughs
Rural Single County	Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County Library	Sandy Hester
Rural Single County	Moultrie-Colquitt County Library System	Holly Phillips
Rural Single County	Peach Public Libraries	Billy Tripp
Rural Single County	Thomas County Public Library	Nancy Tillinghast
Rural Single County	Worth County Library System	Leigh Wiley
Rural Multi-County	Coastal Plain Regional Library	Lamar Howell
Rural Multi-County	DeSoto Trail Regional Library	Lisa Rigsby
Rural Multi-County	Mountain Regional Library System	Vince Stone
Rural Multi-County	Ocmulgee Regional Library System	Anne Bowen
Rural Multi-County	Ohoopee Regional Library System	Tiffany Little
NA	GPLS	Christopher Evans
NA	GPLS	Jessica Everingham
NA	GPLS	Wendy Cornelisen
NA	GPLS	Whitney Payne

Motion from Keith Schuermann to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion seconded by Gary McNeely. Unanimous vote to approve minutes.

Jessica Everingham from GPLS was introduced.

Her new project will be a new strategic plan for GPLS and she requested help from an RPLAC committee.

RPLAC members Alan Harkness, Pam Grigg, Claudia Gibson, and Keith Schuermann volunteered, but Jessica emphasized that all help is welcome.

Wendy Cornelisen from GPLS was introduced.

She spoke about PINES and the upcoming (July 1st) expansion of the courier service to USG libraries, as well as mentioning that new HelpDesk features are coming.

Whitney Payne from GPLS was introduced.

She will be responsible for the annual report, and asked the directors if there was anything we would like to add. Job descriptions and additional description levels of programming were suggested. She also asked for suggestions for additional annual report questions, and said she would like to see a discussion of appropriate questions for the annual report vs. questions that might be better addressed through listsery questions/polls.

There was a request from the directors for advance notice of new annual report questions, plus suggestions as to how GPLS would prefer that the data be collected.

There was a suggestion that better comparisons ("apples to apples") could be made if annual report data was broken down into counties, as opposed to systems.

The directors need (and would appreciate) confirmation of how data is to be gathered so it can be made usefully comparable.

Georgia Public Library Standards (RPLAC vote on the updated document)

Discussion.

Motion to accept the corrected/finalized version of the standards document – Roni Tewksbury. Motion second – Alan Harkness.

Vote from RPLAC committee - Unanimous.

Policies for Public Library State Grants Program

Discussion.

Motion to accept the corrected/finalized version of the policies document – Beth McIntyre.

Motion second – Roni Tewksbury.

Vote from RPLAC committee – Unanimous.

Announcement: Upcoming vote for committee members rotating out of RPLAC.

Following the various divisional elections, the new RPLAC representatives are:

Leard Daughety – Oconee Regional Library (Rural Multi-county)

Stephen Houser – Twin Lakes Library System (Rural Single County)

Helen Poyer – Cobb County Public Library System (Urban Single County)

Roni Tewksbury – West Georgia Regional Library (Urban-Rural Multi-county)