

Tenn-Share Board Meeting
Winter Retreat, Feb. 5-6, 2009
Cool Springs House, Brentwood

Thursday, February 5.

In attendance: Suresh Ponnappa, Penny Frere, Chuck Sherrill, Leah Allison, Julie Julian, Chris Ryan, Deborah Babb, David Hajdik, Susan Earl, Cheri McGowan, Sue Maszaros, Wendy Cornelisen, Jodie Gambill, Deanna Nipp-Kientz, Tricia Bengel, and DeAnne Luck. Absent: Margaret Casado, Theresa McMahon, Rita Shacklett, Kimberly Waller, Susan Whitworth, Linda Farmer, Sandy Oelschlegel, Pam Walker, Tiffani Conner, Ken Middleton, David Atkins, Nancy Renfro, Gayle Baker
President Suresh Ponnappa called meeting to order at 12:38 and welcomed the members.

Treasurer's Report

See Treasurer's report at <http://www.tenn-share.org/committees/finance>

Julie Julian observed that expenses anticipated for the remainder of the year are greater than anticipated revenues by close to \$5,000. Julie will investigate the possibility of opening a separate US Bank account just for database subscription funds.

Review of September Minutes

See September 4, 2008 minutes at <http://www.tenn-share.org/sites/default/files/Tenn-Share%20942008.pdf>

Leah Allison reviewed the September, 2008 minutes. She was reminded to email all Board meeting minutes to Wendy Cornelisen so that they may be posted to the Tenn-Share website after they have been approved by the Board.

Tenn-Share Board Elections

Chris Ryan, Past-President and Chair, Nominating Committee, presented the slate of nominees, <http://www.tenn-share.org/node/174>, to the Board for vote. It was approved unanimously. Nominating Committee members: Chris Ryan, Chuck Sherrill, Susan Early, Penny Frere. Suresh thanked them for their service.

Marlow Peters, public library rep from Sharon Public Library, resigned from the Board this year. The Executive Committee has appointed Rita Shacklett, Linebaugh Library, Murfreesboro, to complete Marlow's term which ends June 30, 2010.

Committee Reports

Electronic Resources

See Electronic Resources Committee report at <http://www.tenn-share.org/committees/erd>.

DeAnne would like to develop advisory groups to help counsel her on different aspects of electronic purchases, beginning, specifically, with a licensing committee. She would welcome input from this committee on obtaining one, large boilerplate license to use with all the different libraries, to which we could add amendments as needed.

Suresh Ponnappa brought to the table a discussion about a new undertaking for the TBR libraries. Angela Gregory (Purchasing Director at TBR) has been working with the TBR libraries to approve licenses and negotiate pricing for some products. The concern that this may take some opportunities away from Tenn-Share was discussed, but Tenn-Share could also piggyback on use such a licenses/deals for non-state libraries.

Proposal to Define Library Entities

After a long discussion about which libraries the policy should apply to, Chuck Sherrill

moved that the board adopt the Library Entities policy and restrict its application to special libraries. It was seconded. Chuck Sherrill called for the question. Suresh Ponnappa called for the motion. The motion passed.

See report: "Definition of single/multiple libraries for special libraries"

Out-of-state libraries in group purchases

A motion passed to adopt surcharge fees for out of state libraries. See report: "Out-of-state libraries in group purchases."

Membership

[Membership List and Stats were sent out ahead of time.](#)

Tenn-Share membership is down 37 members from last year's totals. The Board was reminded to pick up its efforts during August and push for libraries to join and re-join Tenn-Share.

Ideas to increase membership included 1) increasing marketing efforts by having available on the website the Tenn-Share brochure written specifically to K-12, academic, public, and special libraries; and 2) a reminder of the discounts available to members through Ingram.

The 2009-2010 Membership Invoice will have places for three additional contact names that will be subscribed to the Tenn-Share listserv. This will insure that more than one person at each member library will receive news from Tenn-Share.

Cheri McGowan volunteered to chair the 09-10 Membership Committee; Leah Allison volunteered to serve as a member.

One-Step Access

David Atkins, chair of the One-Step Access Committee, was not able to attend the winter retreat. Suresh Ponnappa reported the following information from David concerning Info-to-Go.

No one outside of Knox County seems to be interested in participating in or setting up the framework for Info-to-Go. David asked the board to advise him on what the One-Step Access Committee should work on next. He believes that resource-sharing projects like One Step Access should be passed to SOLINET and let them oversee its growth. Suresh reported that in the eastern portion of the state, a shared catalog between regional, academic, and public libraries has been established. Students in East Tennessee can request books from libraries like ETSU, and the materials will be sent to the library closest to them.

Penny Frere suggested that Tenn-Share's next major project be an expansion of Info-To-Go into a statewide courier/document delivery service. After some discussion, the project was named **Share Your Stuff**. A new Grants Committee will apply for a grant for planning the project, bringing in library representatives from across the state. Chuck Sherrill suggested a foundation in Brentwood that might be appropriate to apply to.

Strategic Planning Updates

Goal 1: Nothing to report. Suresh will speak to his co-chair about stepping up and helping to push this committee forward.

Goal 2: To aid with raising revenue, Tenn-Share raised dues and increased the surcharges assessed to database subscribers. The board believes Tenn-Share needs to see how far short it falls financially this year, and then decide how best to make up that difference.

Goal 3: Chris Ryan resigned as co-chair and asks that someone else take that job on. To help with Goal 3, marketing, DeAnne Luck suggests adding Melissa Brenneman to the committee. Cheri McGowan volunteered to be a part of the committee and help market Tenn-Share to school libraries.

To begin marketing of **Share Your Stuff**, Wendy Cornelisen suggested that Tenn-Share present a session as a part of the CULS pre-conference at TLA. Tenn-Share could present a panel discussion highlighting the success of Info- to-Go, and outlining our new plans for a statewide courier service.

As part of this year's TLA annual conference, DeAnne announced that OCLC is sponsoring box lunches, and that the OCLC user groups will meet on Thursday, at lunch. Meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Friday, February 6.

Meeting called to order at 8:45.

TEL

See TEL report from Sue Maszaros at <http://www.tenn-share.org/committees/tel>

The new TEL portal was launched earlier this winter, and includes a federated search and geo-location technology. The new TEL portal look will be unveiled at Library Legislative Day, perhaps at the luncheon.

AOL users and TEL patrons located along the Tennessee border will have issues authenticating in the new portal. These clients may continually be asked to supply their zip code, city, and phone number.

TEL is turning 10 years old in October 2009.

Sue would like to offer TEL training to any new Tenn-Share member libraries.

Several additions to TEL were requested, among them to include MedLine and a link to WorldCat. Sue would look into adding MedLine and think about a way to incorporate WorldCat into the resources included on the TEL Portal.

Volunteer Voices

Co-chairs Tiffani Conner and Ken Middleton were not at the meeting. While Volunteer Voices will always be online, there will be no additions to the project.

Website

Website Committee report, <http://www.tenn-share.org/committees/web>, from co-chairs, Wendy Cornelisen and Jodie Gambill.

Wendy and Jodie gave a demonstration of the Google Analytics available for the website. These show that the Tenn-Share site has received over 4,000 visitors, and that site usage peaks every few weeks. Perhaps these peaks are due to the publication of DeAnne's databases newsletter. According to the breakdown from Analytics, the TEL page is heavily used. The committee will work with Sue Maszaros to update this page. Board members are urged to create an account on Drupel in order to take advantage of the wikis available there for every committee. Contact either Wendy or Jodie for details.

If Board members find broken links or content that needs to be changed, be sure to contact webmaster@tenn-share.org.

Workshops

Susan Earl and Tricia Bengel, the 2008-2009 Workshops Committee Co-Chairs, suggested that the successful Learn and Discover workshops be repeated again this summer. President Suresh Ponnappa will name new Co-Chairs for 09-10. Wendy Cornelisen

volunteered to suggest people to work with the committee; Deborah Babb volunteered to help her with this.

Ad-hoc Committee to change fiscal year

Julie Julian reminded the board that both the Tenn-Share fiscal and membership years run July 1 to June 30. She proposed that Tenn-Share change its fiscal year to run January 1 to December 31.

There was discussion about the pros and cons of this and how it would affect the terms of office of Board members, especially the treasurer.

Julie made a motion that we change the fiscal year to run from January 1 to December 31. Deborah Babb seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Deborah Babb then made a motion to change the Board terms of office for Board members from July 1 – June 30 to January 1 – December 31. David Hajdik seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Programs at TLA

DeAnne Luck reminded the Board that there will be a *WorldCat* users meeting at TLA conference, Thursday, from 12:00 to 1:30. Fifty lunches, sponsored by OCLC, will be available to the first 50 people to sign up.

Wendy Cornelisen and Jodie Gambill will be presenting a poster session on using Drupal to create websites entitled "Free As in Kittens." Jodie and Wendy used Drupal to create the new Tenn-Share website.

Sue Maszaros will be presenting a session on TEL training. Leah Allison will be a part of a panel discussion on K-16 training.

DataFest

See 2008 DataFest report at <http://www.tenn-share.org/committees/erd>

The 08 DataFest had 188 registered participants. The most attending in a single session time (divided among 4 rooms) was 106 people. Tenn-Share profited a little over \$4,000 from DataFest. Chuck Sherrill asked if the Gala helped to hold the higher attendance. DeAnne believes it and the user's group meeting helped to keep people around later in the day.

The 2009 DataFest will include government information, focusing on vendors who repackage government information and sell it. Vendors hopefully will focus on why fee-based information is better than the free resources.

Lynette Sloan has asked to hold a SIRSI users-group meeting at the 09 DataFest.

Fall Conference

Chuck Sherrill, chair of last year's conference, reported that according to feedback, the content and arrangement of the 2008 Fall Conference were very positive.

As Vice President/President-Elect, Tricia Bengel will chair the 2009 Conference. She announced that "Smarter, Faster, Cheaper" is the theme of the conference. While the DataFest will feature some free government resources (like Google Scholar), the Fall Conference, which is being held in conjunction with the TLA Government Documents Roundtable, GODORT, will encourage libraries to use the many free resources available to their patrons.

Upcoming Board Meetings

The next Tenn-Share board meeting will be held on Monday, June 8, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Brentwood Library. The fall meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 29, the evening of DataFest.

Penny Frere and Deborah Babb will examine ways for Tenn-Share to meet virtually. Meeting was adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Leah R. Allison, Secretary