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**COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Romeo Graubner District Library  
August 13, 2009**

I. The meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m. at the Romeo Graubner District Library.

Present: Smith (Armada), Lusardi (Chesterfield), Neal (Clinton-Macomb), Sterling (Eastpointe), Slivka (Fraser), Parus (Harper Woods), Blakely (Lenox), Reghi (Lois Wagner), Thomas (MacDonald), Graham (Ray), Harper (Romeo), Valade (Roseville), Orlando (St. Clair Shores), Conklin (Shelby), Turgeon (Sterling Heights), Russ (Troy), Urban (Warren), Hupp (SLC), Radcliffe (SLC)

Absent: Cross (Center Line), Casamer (Macomb), Worrell (Mount Clemens), Doege (Utica)

Trustees: Diane Barr (Armada), Barbara Brown (Clinton-Macomb), Ron Black (Shelby)

II. Approval of the Agenda.

Sterling moved to approve the Agenda, supported by Orlando. Motion carried.

III. Approval of the Minutes.

Orlando moved to approve the minutes for the June 16, 2009 and July 23, 2009 Council meetings, seconded by Sterling. Motion Carried.

IV. Suburban Library Cooperative Business.

A. Automation

A new backup UPS was installed and worked great during the brief power outage SLC experienced this past week.

Chris Frezza and SLC staff are testing the new Symphony and Enterprise systems and are looking to upgrade the system in the next few weeks. Russ asked if the Sirsi browse keyword search issues were resolved and if SLC should wait to install Symphony? The staff is working on resolving these issues before the upgrade takes place.

Lusardi asked if Sirsi was coming to train the SLC staff and if so, could System Managers or staff attend? A week long Sirsi training session for SLC staff was discussed at the June Council meeting, but the cost was high and the motion was denied. Chris Frezza is working with Sirsi to find other cost options for training. The SLC staff needs advanced technical training and will explore options to have additional training sessions for member libraries. The training budget is limited and Hupp asked if member libraries would be able to pay for the additional sessions. Hupp will email training cost options.

Directors would like training on: Director's Station (SBL, RAY, WPL, and LEN), serials and acquisitions.

B. Annual Plan

The Planning Committee, Russ, Thomas and Blakely met with Hupp to review the Annual Plan.

Russ asked why the title Council was changed to Advisory Council. The Cooperative Plan of Service is a cooperative wide template and the name was changed for consistency between Cooperatives.

Turgeon questioned why the strategic plan, Item D, seems to focus on automation? Hupp explained that the automation system will be looked at in a broad sense and determine how all the Cooperative pieces fit together. There is no intention to get into technological differences, but examining broader ideas since the whole library marketability has changed with the introduction of Evergreen and other open source systems. The database cleanup is included with the Strategic plan as the cleanup will be a major cost and the Strategic Plan can help decide on sources of funding.

Russ moved to accept the amended FY2009-2010 Annual Plan, seconded by Valade. Motion Carried.