

VALE Executive Committee Meeting

March 10, 2016

Rutgers University / Newark, New Brunswick, Camden
via Video conference

Present: J. Avrin, L. Beninghove, J. Cohn, H. Craven, C. Daze, G. Fallon, S. Muir, T. Pavlovsky, S. Prupis, K. Schalk-Greene, G. Schmidt, J. Toth, C. Van Houten

1. Call to Order / Welcome & Minutes of the February 19, 2016 Meeting

- Joe Toth convened the meeting.
- Minutes of the February 19, 2016 meeting will be approved via email.

2. Treasurer's Report

- Judy Avrin provided a budget report.
- All member invoice payments have been received.
- Payment of two vendor invoices, delayed pending receipt of State of NJ required documentation, will be paid next week.

3. NJEDge-VALE MOU Addendum / Partnership Review Committee

- A copy of the Addendum draft was distributed.
- Sheri Prupis advised that the auditors require an addendum to the MOU indicating a tie breaking mechanism for the Partnership Review Committee which currently has an even number of members. The draft states: "the Board Chair of NJEDge shall have the power and authority to issue an additional vote to break such deadlock."
- The committee discussed several issues and the discussion and resolution of the draft will occur via email.

4. VALID Update

- Taras Pavlovsky provided a brief update.
 - EBSCO and OLE are forming a new not-for-profit corporation.
 - The NPC will function as an umbrella corporation to promote intellectual property protection, but will not be proscriptive on the way individual projects operate.
 - OLE will withdraw from Kuali and join new NPC.
 - OLE will work with IndexData (Danish software development firm specializing in libraries and info providers) to create a new version of OLE.
 - OLE will use Mellon Foundation grant (\$1.6M) to support *current* codebase.
 - Pavlovsky is still working with Mike Winkler to get a draft of the MOI. He will circulate this to the Executive Committee as soon as it is received.

- The VALID infrastructure draft will be ready for the next Executive Committee meeting.
- VOIT update:
 - They held a full day working session on v.1.6, which is the version currently installed on VALE's AWS cloud.
 - They now have access to v2.0 code and are working with OLE to resolve problems that arose while trying to install it.
- Toth and Greg Fallon just returned from the code4lib conference where they attended an interesting presentation on OLE.

5. Purchasing & Licensing

- Judy Cohn advised that they received the standard license from Consortia Manager and will do a comprehensive review. It will need to be reviewed by NJEDge and sole source documentation submitted for approval. Prupis will reach out to The Assistant Director of Purchasing.

6. Outreach

- Scott Muir reported that conference calls were held with both the Conference Planning and Website committees:
 - Conference Planning Committee
 - Consensus that holding the conference a week later impacted attendance this year.
 - Scheduling the conference on a Thursday will negatively impact community college attendance.
 - Next year's conference will be held on Friday, January 6th.
 - Registration methods were discussed and Prupis advised that NJEDge can support registration.
 - Website
 - Tony Joachim is stepping down as chair at the end of the semester.
 - Challenges of Drupal and the suggestion of moving the website to LibGuide or Wordpress were discussed, without consensus.
 - There was discussion on whether management of the website should be a paid position or whether existing member talent could be tapped.
 - Need to determine what the needs are, what problems trying to resolve.
 - The committee is waiting for direction.
 - The server currently housed at Rutgers needs to be updated. Will discuss the possibility of NJEDge hosting the site with Prupis.

7. Shared Storage

- Muir reported wide and positive support for a shared storage facility.
- The president of Rowan took it to the New Jersey Association of State Colleges and Universities and received a very positive response.

8. LibraryLinkNJ Update

- Kathy Schalk-Greene provided the following updates:
 - Woeked with Information Today to provide a group discount offer on the Computers in Libraries Conference.

- LLNJ staff met with the delivery vendor to review contract compliance, problem resolution and communications to improve service.
 - The current contract expires 12/31/16 but can be renewed for one year.
- Outside collaboration:
 - The MentorNJ team is hosting or co-sponsoring several programs at the NJLA Conference.
 - Finalized support of HSLANJ Workshop on Emerging Technologies for the Busy Librarian.
 - Finalized support of NJLA Commons virtual keynote
- Member survey sent via email to LLNJ members to assist with drafting FY17 Strategic Initiatives.

9. New Jersey State Library Update

- Colleen Daze reported that RFQs for statewide databases are due back on March 15th. They are hoping to have multi-year contracts in place by July 1st.

10. LibQual

- Pavlovsky noted that they are running LibQual this spring and will post a message to the directors' list to assess interest in participating. If five schools participate a discount is provided and five additional questions will be added to the survey.

- 11.** The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 8th and Cohn will determine if Rutgers video conferencing locations are available.

Minutes prepared by: J. Avrin