



School Library System

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SLS Council meeting

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Present: Julie Hengenius, Jen Kleparek, Emilee Williamson, Nancy Palmer, Suzanne Freeman, Nicki Lerczak.

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 by Julie. Minutes were approved – Motion by Jen, seconded by Nancy.

SLS updates and information

Council received a reminder that the travel grant is not being well utilized and that members need to continue to get the word out. Julie shared that she is using it. No other SLS updates.

New business and other updates

The member plan was reviewed and there was some discussion about things that can be added as questions, and some questions about who is supposed to complete the survey. It was decided that the communication coordinator would fill it out for the district if they know those details. A typo was spotted on the second to last page “educationt.” Emilee volunteered to find out what the follow up questions are.

Members also wanted to know if the 1-to-1 devices are allowed to go home and what grade level. It was felt that it would be a good idea to make this a check box for the options on that question. As a follow up to the 1-to-1 question, there was discussion about the importance of operating systems. It was felt that it is important for students to have diverse tech experiences.

There was some discussion about the regular submission of info to your administration and the use of infographics to display library stats. It was felt that we should split the reporting question into per library not just per the district. It was also decided to edit the makerspace question to find out if the makerspace was connected to the library and what grade levels.

The topic of staffing was also discussed and the concern was raised about training and qualifications. It was decided to add the category of certified educator other than certified school librarian (for classroom teachers without an MLS), as having a certified librarian is an important distinction for staffing. Emilee will talk to Chris about this question. Members wondered if it was important to know how many helpers, and to ask a question to find out about additional/other member librarian job responsibilities, such as Google administrator or other tech support duties, or distance learning, study hall, etc.

Finally, there was discussion about the fact that there is only one question about the library materials budget. Members felt that it may be interesting to break this down (supplies, ebooks, makerspace supplies, etc.). There was concern that the state may only care about the print book budget, and the question was raised about whether or not we want to break it down for our purposes. Members mentioned issues with not getting the \$6.25 per student in the budget (split across multiple libraries).

Motion to adjourn by Julie @ 3:55 – Seconded by Nancy.