

Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation, Inc.
Automated Library Services 2021 (Symphony Users)
Minutes of the Meeting of February 11, 2021

Call to Order: Bruce MacDonald, chair, called the meeting to order at 11:02 ET.

Attending: Pam Flood (Bayliss Public Library), Jennifer Hirn and Amanda Winnicki (Menominee County Library), Joe Bouchard (Keweenaw Bay Community College, Blair Nelson (Spies), Janis Lubenow (Marquette General Hospital), Monique Ciofu (Escanaba Public Library), Amy Salminen, Ellen Moore and Bruce MacDonald (Peter White Public Library), Megan Buck (Dickinson County Library). Shawn Andary, Pam Malmsten, Jeremy Morelock, Lissa Potter (Superiorland Library Cooperative).

Approval of the Minutes from 19 November, 2020. Unanimously approved on a motion by Amanda Winnicki, seconded by Pam Flood.

Financial Report (Pam Malmsten)

The only unusual expense was \$100 for the COSUGI virtual conference.

Watersmeet left the co-operative effective 1 Jan, 2021

Bills for [November 2020](#), [December 2020](#) and [January 2021](#).

2020-2021 [YTD Revenue and Expense Report](#) of 31 January, 2021.

The bills, revenues and expenses for November 2020, December 2020 and January 2021 were unanimously approved on a motion by Pam Flood, seconded by Amanda Winnicki.

Committee and Other Reports:

UPRLC Annual Conference Committee Update: Shawn Andary, chair, reported that the 2021 annual conference will happen, hopefully in Sault Ste. Marie, virtually if necessary.

COSUUGI: This year's Sirsi Users' Group conference will be virtual, 27-29 April, 2021. Because it is virtual, the cost is \$100. ALS can sponsor several people. Pam will take a look at the budget to determine how many. The LOM continuing ed stipend may be possible to use for this also.

The conference website is at <https://www.cosugi.org/conference>.

E-mail Lissa (lissap@uproc.lib.mi.us) if you are interested.

The conference is an opportunity to see demonstrations of what Sirsi is working on, to hear what other libraries have done that is cool and/or solved a problem and to interact with Sirsi staff and customers from around the world. Normally, it is an in person conference.

New Business

Approval of FY 2021-2022 Budget: The budget has to be approved early to get fees set, according to contract. The choice was between a 0% increase in fees or a 1% increase. Having a larger reserve gives us more flexibility.

FY 2021-2022 Budget

A 1% increase was unanimously approved on a motion by Amanda Winnicki, seconded by Monique Ciofu.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, 13 May, 2021 11 ET, 10 CT.

News: PWPL is open 5 or 6 hours a day, traffic is increasing, every other computer closed.

Escanaba Public Library has a zoom with a librarian program, telehealth, telelawyer, winter reading bingo with adults and teens and are circulating movie bundles by genre.

Bayliss is open by appointment only, 5 people in each hour for 45 min. Several hours a day are now full. They are thinking about maybe fully opening in March. Programs starting up on zoom,

Bruce thanked Shawn for all of her years of service, customization of the system, etc. There was general agreement.

Adjournment: Bruce closed the meeting at 11:58, after unanimous approval of a motion to adjourn by Pam Flood, seconded by Megan Buck.

Minutes Recorded by Lissa Potter