



Sailor Advisory Committee

March 19, 2024

10:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

Committee Members: Michael Brown; Ed Goyda; Michael Johnson; Bob Kuntz; Paula Mitchell; Carla Moore; Irene Padilla; Daria Parry; Susan Payne; Ryan Rickels; Tamar Sarnoff; Bill Taylor; Stephanie Sopka; Rachael Stein; Liz Sundermann-Zinger; Shane Williams; Candice Zhu

Attendees: Michael Brown; Ed Goyda; Michael Johnson; Bob Kuntz; Paula Mitchell; Carla Moore; Daria Parry; Susan Payne; Ryan Rickels; Tamar Sarnoff; Bill Taylor; Rachael Stein; Liz Sundermann-Zinger; Candice Zhu

Call to order (Daria Parry)

Time: 10:03

Changes / Additions to the Agenda - None

Changes / Additions to the Member Roster - None

Welcome and Recognitions (Daria Parry)

- Welcome to new members – Susan Payne and Rachael Stein

Approval of Minutes – September 5, 2023

- Motion: Ryan Rickels
- Second: Ed Goyda
- Discussion: None
- Approve: All

SLRC Oversight Commission Report (Liz Sundermann-Zinger, reporting for Daria Parry)

Daria did not attend the last meeting of the SLRC Oversight Commission.

- Liz Sunderman- Zinger reported that Tonya Aikens is the new Chair of the Commission, replacing the retired Michael Gannon.
- Paul Chasen is now the new SLRC Training and Reference Services Coordinator
- Searching for a new CEO and CFO



MSLA Announcements (Tamar Sarnoff)

- **Updates** – State Librarian, Irene Padilla, retiring, and job searching now
- **Legislative activity** – Freedom to Read passed, three-year funding bill pending 5% in House for SLRC funding
- **E-Rate** – Meeting with Linda Schatz to help the Western MD

State Broadband Committee Report (Carla Moore)

- **Updates-** None currently

State Library Resource Center (Liz Sundermann-Zinger)

- SLRC Digital Presence Plan Update Now in the design phase, with August launch.
- Candice Zhu, Chief of Digital Transformation, is leaving at the end of the month.

Sailor Updates/Issues – (Candice Zhu and Mike Brown)

- **Bandwidth upgrades** – Rockville upgrade completed tomorrow. Fiber construction. Hagerstown completed, but issues with Verizon local loop.
- **Secondary Point in Baltimore** – Have not started yet. Comcast missed two option years on the contract. ESRL is bringing up new data center and Sailor is running a circuit for them.
- **VMware** purchased by Broadcom, and they really cater to about the top 2K customers. Price increases 700-2K%. Starting an evaluation of what to move to. Probably Hyper-V (Microsoft)
- **Server Upgrades:** Completed to new version
- **Procurement of Learning Management System (LMS):** Procurement completed. Third week of implementation. May offer training statewide through it. Can track CEUs.
- **Partnership with University of Maryland – Digital Navigators:** The tech competency training is being developed by UM staff and Pratt library staff are piloting. There is a potential that it may be rolled out to the public and to library workers throughout the state. Participants take an assessment to find out what they need to learn, then enroll in the needed modules.



Sailor Customer Service (Mike Brown for Shane Williams)

- The new ticketing system is currently only being used by Pratt IT and HR. At some point, however, may be able to expand to the state level.

Marina Resource Sharing (Paula Mitchell)

- **Delivery Update** – Things are going well from the study. No moving into a finalized contract for 4 years, with ability to expand and change.
- **Conference updates**
- **SLRC DEI Conference – This is What Democracy Looks Like** - 137 virtual conference / 91 in-person
- **Tools for your future coming in the Spring**
- MILO Staff working with OCLC to support development of customized staff portal to support ILL processes for Montgomery County Public Library.
- MILO Staff have coordinated with ByWater Solutions and OCLC to support Anne Arundel County Public Library's ILS migration to KOHA in April 2024.
- MILO Staff will be presenting Overview of Marina and the Statewide Delivery Network at the MLA/DLA Conference May 2024.

Digital Maryland Update (Michael Johnson)

- **New Manager for Digital Resources** – Tracy Thompson– is on-boarding now.
- **Update - From the Page** – Crowdsource transcription of the Reginald F. Lewis Museum Ledger Books is complete!
- **New Collection** - Global Z Recording Project – Oral histories Living and Dying with COVID-19
- **New Collection** - Friends of the Crownsville Hospital – Digitizing their records

Sailor Databases (Michael Johnson)

- **Insight from the Annual Report** – Quirk in Gale Legal Forms reporting. Sean McGuire worked with Gale to get accurate data.
- Huge spike in some other Gale databases coming from Singapore.
- **Sailor Symposium / MPERL meeting** – 92 attendees. Launched next renewal RFP cycle. April will issues a statewide survey. Released in the fall. Implement in 2025
- **Sailor symposium** – Scheduled for September with Vendor Fair



[FY2024 First Quarter Report](#)

[FY2024 Second Quarter Report](#) - Revised Jan 30, 2024

[FY 23 Annual Report](#)

Other Business / Good of the Order

- None

Future Meeting Dates:

SLRC COMMISSION SCHEDULE	SAC SCHEDULE
January 16, 2024	December 19, 2023
April 16, 2024	March 19, 2024
June 18, 2024	May 21, 2024
September 3, 2024	August 20, 2024

Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn – Ed Goyda
- Second – Ryan Rickels
- Approved – All
- Time – 11:09 AM