

**SWON Libraries**  
**Executive Board Meeting**  
**October 23, 2015 10:00am**

*Mission: Strengthening our region's libraries by providing educational opportunities and by facilitating local collaboration and conversations between libraries of all types.*

**Board Members in Attendance**

Melanie Blau-McDonald, SWON Exec. Director  
Jennifer Heffron, Vice President, TriHealth, Good Samaritan College of Nursing  
Angela Smith, Kenton County Public Library  
Cindy Sefton, President, Cincinnati State  
Chris Owens, Treasurer, Blanchester Public Library  
Joe Knueven, Germantown Public Library  
John Stork, University of Cincinnati  
Greg Edwards, Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County  
Jennifer Spillman, Dayton Metro Library  
Cherie Roeth, Bradford Public Library  
Shawn Fry, Secretary, Boone County Public Library

**Board Members Absent**

Andrea Owens  
Nanette Wingrove

**Agenda**

**Call to Order and Introductions**

- Cindy called the meeting to order @ 10:03 a.m.

**Presentation and Approval of the August 2015 minutes**

- Joe moved to approve the minutes as presented; Jennifer Spillman seconded.  
Approved by consensus.

**Presentation of Financial Statements**

- The Board looked at August and September 2015 financials.
  - Rough financial for August revised.
  - Discussion with bookkeeper to improve financial review process.
  - Ohio Workers compensation changes.
  - Staff insurance cost expected to increase 10% next year.
  - For September workshop income is going well.
  - Technical lending is breaking even.
- Joe moved to accept the financials; Angela. seconded. Carried by consensus.

**Membership & Renewals**

- All public libraries have renewed, discussion of challenges and opportunities of a multi-library (Academic, Public, Special, and for profit) approach of SWON.

**State/Regional Update**

- Still reaching out and attempting to create collaborations with other regional library

systems.

### **Proposed By-Law Changes and Discussion**

- To be discussed next meeting.

### **Membership/Dues Committee to review Academic and Special Library Dues**

- Report out from October meeting and review of dues structure.
  - Conversation continues with Nov 16<sup>th</sup> meeting

### **Collaborations – ALAO and SWON, Innovation Conversations, Academic-themed**

#### **Update of larger themes, programs and new developments for the year**

- Innovation Conversations – archived webinar interviews with award-winning library leaders from all library types.
- Technology to lend program – year-to-date status.
- Saroj in October – Registration update.
- Membership Meeting – December 1, registration open.
  - PLCH explain how to use to scale for smaller systems
- Customer Service Circus – Feedback
  - Had 60 people attend, positive feedback.
- New Supervisors Workshop – Feedback
  - Held one in Kentucky and another in Wilmington
- SRP – Feedback
- Upcoming Level-Up Labs
  - Next one will be on privacy

#### **Next Meeting**

- The next Executive Board meeting will be on **December 1**, at 3 p.m. at the Public Library of Cincinnati, Reading Road Branch

#### **Adjournment**

- John moved to adjourn; Cherie seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Next Meeting  
Announcements  
Adjournment