



CALIFA BOARD MEETING

Minutes

January 18, 2017

Califa, San Mateo, CA

Conference Call

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m.

A. Introductions/Quorum

Califa Board:

Eleanor Uhlinger
Rivkah Sass
Hillary Theyer
Heather Cousin
Eve Melton
Sara Jones
Helen McAlary
John Szabo

Califa Staff:

Paula MacKinnon
Wayne Walker
Amy Jordan
Donna Truong

Guests:

Eileen O'Shea (Infopeople)
Phoebe Lipkis (Luma Consulting)
Carol Frost (PLS)
Kathy Gould (Palos Verdes Library)

Lena Pham (CSL)
John Smith (Luma Consulting)
Derrick Wolfgram (PLS)

B. Approval of January 18, 2017 Agenda.

C. Approval of October 26, 2016 Minutes. MSP: Uhlinger / Theyer

II. Old Business

A. Elections of Officers 2017

It was explained that John Szabo and Eleanor Uhlinger will be terming out on 6/30/2017. Theyer and Sass offered to form a committee to compile and coordinate names for the upcoming election. The election committee will report back to the Board once a comprehensive list of candidates has been established.



III. New Business

A. Infopeople National Expansion Prospectus – Luma Consulting

John Smith of Luma Consulting reviewed the Infopeople National Expansion Business Plan Prospectus, finalized January 12, 2017. Smith reviewed 4 main areas of the report: the national expansion strategy, financial strategy, lowered fixed costs, and Infopeople synergy with Califa.

A concern was raised by the Board about Califa having an organizational management plan in place before committing to a business plan for Infopeople. MacKinnon explained both the Califa organizational business planning and Infopeople business planning were occurring in parallel and in consideration of each other. The strategic planning process begun with Sarah Chesemore identified as a priority this investigation into the sustainability of Infopeople as a learning line of business for Califa.

B. Proposed Motion of Infopeople Program Planning

The Board approved the proposal that Califa will continue to provide fiscal sponsorship for the Infopeople program to be reviewed yearly against satisfactory attainment of key performance indicators outlined in the Infopeople National Expansion prospectus.

MSP: Cousin / Uhlinger

C. Infopeople Support Letter

MacKinnon reviewed a letter from Infopeople which documents their support for Califa's efforts to develop a sustainable financial path for Infopeople.

IV. Finance Committee

A. Balance Sheet and Financial Statement thru January 10, 2017

Truong reviewed the Balance Sheet and Financial Statement thru January 10, 2017.

B. Califa Audit Report

Truong reviewed the Califa Audit Report.

C. Income Tax 2015

Truong reviewed the Income Tax for 2015.



V. Staff Reports

A. Copyright Reform Statement

Paula MacKinnon reviewed the Library Copyright Reform Statement About Ebooks drafted by Califa. Interest was expressed by ASCLA Consortial ebooks Interest Group members to draft such a statement and solicit support from consortia, state libraries and other cooperative library agency members. Over the past three years, Congress, the Department of Commerce, and the Copyright Office have all begun investigating the need to “reform” the current Copyright Act in the face of rapidly evolving technology. Most recently, the Library of Congress has initiated a Notice of Inquiry seeking public input regarding whether and how Section 108, the “library and archives exceptions,” should be amended to accommodate modern technology.

This Statement presents considerations the signatories of the Statement (libraries, library associations, publishers, and other entities) believe are imperative to maintaining the constitutional purpose of copyright law in the face of contemplating statutory changes to address modern technology, specifically the move from ownership of copyright-protected works to licensing.

Current signators include State Library of Connecticut, State Library of Ohio, Reaching Across Illinois Library System (RAILS), Ocean State Libraries, Readers First, Wisconsin Public Library Consortium. Califa will be sending the statement to member library directors for consideration and for sharing with their staff. Other ASCLA members will be doing same.

VI. Agenda Building, Next Meeting

Agenda items include an update on the Califa 2017 elections and a discussion on the future of the Califa-PLS contract.

VI. Executive Session, Leadership Review