

NORTH TEXAS LIBRARY CONSORTIUM MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2009
NTRLs Office

Attending:

Leanna Cowan	Alvarado
Kathy Gilson	Aubrey
Pat Stegall	Bridgeport
Gwen Hopper	Crowley
Cecilia Hurt-Barham	Decatur
Paul Waak	Haltom
Gwen Bevill	Kennedale
Donna Pierce	Krum
Rebecca Belknap	Lake Cities
Palen Bree	Mineral Wells
Geoff Sams	Roanoke
Yvonne Flippo	Saginaw
Vicky Elieson	Sanger
Judy Daniluk	NTRLs
Adam Wright	NTRLs

The meeting was called to order at 1:58 by Adam Wright.

Old Business:

Contracts have been received by all but two libraries. Cecilia is waiting on her city council meeting. Yvonne's is under review by the city attorney; then it will go to council.

On January 22 the NTRLs board will approve the contracts.

Patron Audit report: Cecilia has completed her audit. Geoff is working on it. Most others are in the process of doing it or already purge their records on a regular basis.

Equinox presentation and demo:

Version 1.4 is coming out now. Version 2.0 will be out in May.

Members were encouraged to join mailing lists.

Some highlights:

Patrons or staff can create "bookbags" – favorites lists, Summer Reading Club lists, etc.

Vendors that provide enhanced content for bibliographic records: Syndetic Solutions, Content Café and Book Letters

Libraries can add links or announcements to the front page.

Uncataloged items can be checked out (they are called pre-cataloged)

Record "buckets" allow batch changes.

Project timeline:

- Send data to Equinox
- Temporary load of data
- Consortium reviews the temp load
- Final Load

Mapping documents: Every library will fill out these forms according to their own policies and collection parameters. It is possible in Evergreen to have different loan durations for a single item type.

Grant discussion: NTRLs will hire someone to administer the Consortium if we get the grant. Contract labor vs. a full-time employee was discussed. After some discussion, Leanna Cowan moved that we proceed to apply for the grant. Geoff Sams seconded and the motion carried.

Consortium website: NTRLs will ask TSLAC to host a Plinkit website for the Consortium.

The need for a Consortium logo was expressed.

The next meeting will be held February 19 from 2:00 to 4:00 in Saginaw.