

Hamilton County Law Library Resources Board

Minutes
April 1, 2010

Present: James T. O'Reilly, Michael Florez, William D. Bell, Sr., John Cobey, Stephen Black, Mary Jenkins

James O'Reilly, Chair, called the meeting of the Hamilton County Law Library Resources Board to order at 11:07 a.m.

The HCLLRB meeting schedule was reviewed and it was unanimously approved to move the regular meeting time to 1:00 p.m., beginning in July 2010.

The minutes of the meeting of January 14, 2010 were approved as written.

Mary Jenkins presented the librarian's report. A discussion ensued related to the librarian's review of public records search products. HCLLRB members advised these parameters: Use would be limited to in-house use by current subscribers only, via the mediation of a library staff member. No searches would be conducted without the subscriber present. However, the members present did acknowledge the potential feasibility of co-browsing and screen sharing. Staff education on the topic of legal issues involving public records would be required. Should the law librarian determine that provision of a public records service is desirable, the HCLLRB requests consideration of a formal proposal.

Next, Ms. Jenkins presented a report of revenues and expenditures to date.

Next, Ms. Jenkins requested board approval of a travel proposal to allow for her participation in several 2010 meetings: ORALL County SIG annual spring meeting, AALL annual meeting, and the MSLL annual meeting. The travel proposal was approved as presented. John Cobey suggested that the HCLLRB encourage board member representation at relevant association meetings. Stephen Black offered the following motion which was seconded and approved 4-1 with William Bell opposed: If a HCLLRB member is willing to attend a relevant association meeting on behalf of the board, that person is authorized to attend and to spend up to the level allowed for the law librarian for legitimate expenses.

Next, Ms. Jenkins requested board input on the promotion of library services and resources to the legal and business communities since subscriptions are an important revenue stream. Several suggestions were made, including blast emails, use of available directories, more continuing legal education offerings, contact with corporate counsel, and traditional advertising.

In response to Mr. Bell's request for information at the January 14, 2010 meeting regarding reciprocity of use between county law libraries in the area, Ms. Jenkins reported little initial interest among regional county law libraries, due to differences in fee and subscription or membership structures.

The next meeting of the HCLLRB will be held on Thursday, October 7, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 12:00 noon.

Minutes respectfully submitted,



Mary Jenkins
Law Librarian & Director