Sailor Advisory Committee
May 21, 2024
10:00 AM
Join Zoom Meeting

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

Attendees: Michael Brown; Susan Payne; Ryan Rickels; Bill Taylor; Rachael Stein; Paula Mitchell; Stephanie Sopka; Tamar Sarnoff; Bill Taylor; Liz Sundermann-Zinger; Michael Johnson

Call to order (Daria Parry)

Changes / Additions to the Agenda

Welcome and Recognitions (Daria Parry)

Daria thanked Susan for staying on the SAC

Approval of Minutes – March 19, 2024
- Motion: Bill
- Second: Ed
- Discussion: None
- Approve: All

SLRC Oversight Commission Report (Daria Parry)

No update, as the SLRC folks are going to give the same report to SAC.

MSLA Announcements (Tamar Sarnoff)
- **State Librarian Search –** Morgan Lehr Miller will start June 26
- **Other Updates –** MSLA Report at MLA went well
- **Legislative items –** Fine Free for Minors – Clarifying language Children's materials and lost fines refunded in six months; Freedom to Read; SLRC funding passed one-year of increases. Next order of business organize data for next year
- **Attended Ribbon cuttings –** Twin Beaches; Rivera; Queen Anne's Kiosk;
- **Questions** - None

State Broadband Committee Report (Carla Moore – Reported by Daria Parry)

- **Updates**
- Governor Moore announced $19.6 million in Fiscal Year 2024 awards through a new Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development program to help more Marylander's access high-speed, affordable internet. Home Stretch for Difficult to Serve Properties, administered by the department's Office of Statewide Broadband, will provide internet access to approximately 2,400 unserved Maryland households in its first round.

  Home Stretch for Difficult to Serve Properties is part of the department's new initiative to serve remaining Maryland households without internet access. As of April 2024, 21,000 Maryland households are unserved. Awards for the second program under the initiative, Home Stretch for Public Housing, will be announced in the coming weeks.

  Funded through the U.S. Treasury's American Rescue Plan Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund, both programs are the newest additions to the Office of Statewide Broadband's Connect Maryland initiative, which provides financial assistance to local jurisdictions to advance the state's digital access efforts.

- **Digital Equity Act Competitive Grants upcoming later in 2024** – See email from 4/4/24

State Library Resource Center (Liz Sundermann-Zinger)
- Will the Chief of Digital Transformation position be filled? – No one knows yet. Pending new CEO
- **SLRC Digital Presence Plan Update –** Candice left a very detailed plan. Still on target to launch at the end of August / early September.

Partnership with University of Maryland – Digital Navigators – EPFL is working with the University of Maryland Extension to create and teach digital literacy classes to staff. The entire series can be done either virtually or in-person. The goal is to have a couple of cohorts of EPFL staff go through the program, then release it statewide. The modules are below.

Timeline	Pratt Adventure (Online)	Pratt Beyond (In-person)
February	Module 1: Computers & Operating Systems	Session 1: Chromebooks & Chrome OS Workshop #1 date: 2/22
March	Module 2: Mobile Devices	Workshop #2: 3/14
April	Module 3: Internet & Web Browsing	Workshop #3: 4/11
May	Module 4: Email & Communication *Shared by 5/16*	Workshop #4: 5/21
June	Module 5: Productivity & Collaboration *Ready to be shared by: 6/7*	Workshop #5: 6/13
July	Module 6: Online Security & Privacy *Ready to be shared by: 7/5*	Workshop #6: 7/11
August	Module 7: Telehealth *Ready to be shared by: 8/2*	Workshop #7: 8/8
September	Module 8: Equity-based Facilitation Skills *Ready to be shared by: 8/30*	Workshop #8: 9/12
October	Module 9: Digital Skills for Everyday Life *Ready to be shared by: 9/27*	Workshop #9: 10/10
November	Module 10: Remote Working & Learning	Workshop #10: 11/14

- **CEO Search-** Posted
- **Other Updates-** SLRC conf reg ends Wed – Tools For Your Future
- **Questions** - None

Sailor Updates/Issues – (Mike Brown)
- **Bandwidth upgrades** – Hagerstown circuit upgraded with a lot of issues with the last mile with Verizon. Mostly resolved now
- **Secondary Point in Baltimore –** Permits pending
- **Progress on replacing VMware –** Have had some initial discussions with vendors. Have 18 months to find a replacement.
- **E-Rate Update** – E-rate process done with for this year. New contract with Comcast.
- **Questions -** None

Sailor Customer Service (Shane Williams)

No updates

Marina Resource Sharing (Paula Mitchell)
- **Updates –** RFP posted for state delivery contract. Bids close May 31, 2024. Will select a vendor by mid-June
- MILO presented at MLA
- **Questions** - None

Digital Maryland Update (Michael Johnson)
- **New Collections – Q3 –** [Baltimore Salt Boxes](); St Johns School – Frederick 1840's
- 5K items added to digital MD in Q3 about 95K items total this year
- 17K downloads
- Hired a new Dept Manager Tracy Thompson – Collaborate with From the Page - Crowdsource – Now testing an [AI function]() on handwritten letters from Star Spangled Banner Museum
- **Questions** - None

Sailor Databases (Michael Johnson)
- **Insights from the Q3 Report –** Drop in Heritage Quest. Gale slight dip in Q3. This is a contract year. We want to get the word out about the DBs. Publics School use is strong. MPERL Survey went out May 6. We are expanding to a 4- year cycle. Symposium Sept 10 and 11
- **Questions** - None

FY2024 First Quarter Report
FY2024 Second Quarter Report - Revised Jan 30, 2024
FY24 Third Quarter Report

FY 23 Annual Report

Other Business / Good of the Order
- None

Future Meeting Dates:

SLRC COMMISION SCHEDULE	SAC SCHEDULE
~~January 16, 2024~~	~~December 19, 2023~~
~~April 16, 2024~~ Rescheduled to May 7, 2024	~~March 19, 2024~~
June 18, 2024	May 21, 2024
September 3, 2024 Will determine rest of the schedule	August 20, 2024

Adjourn
- Motion to adjourn – Ed
- Second - Bill
- Approved – All
- Time – 10:52 AM