Montana State Library Central Services January – June 2018

Green (no font distinction) – activity progressing as expected.

Yellow (italicized) – activity may be delayed but the delays do not necessarily rise to the level of Commission concern Red (bolded) – activity is delayed and Commission attention is warranted Blue (underlined) – addition or change to the original work plan.

Strategic Framework – Fostering Partnerships

Activities:

• Build an intranet site for cross-agency documentation

Inputs	Outputs	Outcomes	Impacts
IT staff, Erin Fashoway, other staff as necessary	A new Intranet that allows all state employees to access documents related to our ESRI ELA. Future documents used by staff of other state agencies will be added in the future.	MSL staff efficiently share and receive information about the services we administer for other state agencies.	Improved efficiency in other state agencies results in a greater degree of future collaboration
		State employees have improved access to self-service documents.	
		State employees report improved satisfaction in the efficient administration of State Library Services.	

Strategic Framework – Secure sufficient and sustainable funding

Activities:

• Offer quarterly training sessions to State Library staff

Inputs	Outputs	Outcomes	Impacts
Time of Kris Schmitz, Marlys Stark, Colleen Hamer, Carol Churchill, Evan Hammer, Tracy Cook, Jennie Stapp, and other staff as necessary	Trainings and training materials for the various sessions: Budget/Funding, Purchasing, Staff Handbook, Travel, FMLA, State Library programs	Managers are confident in their ability to implement policies consistently and fairly.	MSL staff is more knowledgeable which leads to more effective and efficient in their work. Staff feels more comfortable and confident in their work.
Activity progressing as expected.	- Stapp presented an overview of the State Library at the February 22 all staff meeting.	Staff report increased awareness and understanding of State and State Library policies and satisfaction in how they are treated as State Library employees.	
		Staff and management find increased opportunities for cross-program collaboration that can lead to improved program development	

• Clean out, organize storage areas

Inputs	Outputs	Outcomes	Impacts
Time of Kris Schmitz, Marlys Stark, Colleen Hamer and Carol Churchill	Clutter and space is cleaned up and organized into sections.	Freeing up much need available storage area to make the best use of our space available.	MSL staff will have an efficient organized storage area.
Activity progressing as expected.		Managers and the Commission are better able to plan for future space needs.	

• Policy review

Inputs	Outputs	Outcomes	Impacts
			MSL staff is more
Lead Kris Schmitz, various			knowledgeable about
staff			policies which leads to
		Employees have a current and	more efficient and
Activity progressing as		accurate policy guidance and staff	effective manner to
expected.	New online staff handbook	handbook	complete their work

• Develop a standardized human resources recruitment package

Inputs	Outputs	Outcomes	Impacts
Time of Marlys Stark and			
Kris Schmitz			The State Library attracts,
	Standardized, easy to use	MSL management staff has the	develops, and retains a
Activity progressing as	package of recruitment and	tools they need to make the hiring	highly skilled and
expected.	hiring materials.	process smooth and efficient	dedicated workforce

• Implement a social media marketing strategy

Inputs	Outputs	Outcomes	Impacts
	Regularly recurring Facebook		Through social media,
	posts that are boosted when		patrons have access to
	appropriate to garner	Staffs see an increase in	the information they need
	attention to and use of State	engagement measures available	to understand and
Time of Eve Byron and other	Library services and	through social media as the public	influence change in their
staff as necessary	information	learn more about the State Library	communities
Approximately \$500 from the State Library Marketing Budget		Increased social media engagement results correlates to increased demand for services.	Through social media online communities foster partnerships that ensure that Montanans thrive.
Research and training on the effective use of social media		Online communities develop and engage around State Library	
tools for marketing		information resources and services	

Strategic Framework – Create a useful information infrastructure

Activities:

• Launch ASPeN (Applications, Services, Programs, and Network)

Inputs	Outputs	Outcomes	Impacts
IT staff, SLR staff, and other staff as necessary	A partial launch of ASPeN is planned for March 2017. ASPeN should be fully operational in early 2018. - Role out is delayed to allow for adequate testing. Delays are the result of limited staff time.	State Library staff benefit from the efficiencies of a single, fully-integrated, data driven administration system that allows for easier program planning and delivery.	Montana libraries receive an excellent return on investment from participating in MSL projects, programs, or services.
IT hardware & software	MSL staff have the ability to create forms and upload electronic resources w/o IT staff intervention.	Montana librarians report improved efficiency by making use of a tool that is a one-stop source for library and State Library information.	
SLR staff outreach to and, engagement by Montana library community members.	MSL staff have the ability to collect data about programs, projects or MSL services in ASPeN.	Montana libraries use ASPeN to efficiently share information with one another creating a collaborative knowledge base that improves efficiency of service delivery for all libraries.	
	MSL staff use ASPeN to share information with Montana libraries.	IT staff are able to reallocate former programming time to other services.	

ASPeN is architected to make efficient use of data and IT resources, eliminated the need to create and maintain redundant IT systems.
State Library staff make data driven decisions about the services and resources we offer based on information that is effectively and efficiently managed through ASPEN

• Implement F5 Web Application Firewall

Inputs	Outputs	Outcomes	Impacts
IT staff	The F5 Web Application Firewall configuration policy is fully operational across the State Library's web platform - F5 was implemented and operational but had to be turned off temporarily to make changes to ESRI urls that are not compatible.	MSL websites and applications are protected from malicious activity with state-of-the-art technology that meet's State of Montana security standards.	MSL staff, patrons and partners have ready access to the information they need without disruption.
		MSL staff efficiently manage data collections and web resources without disruption and the threats of data manipulation or loss	