MontanaLibrary2Go Executive Committee meeting

Friday, December 21, 2012

Present: Debbi Kramer; Susie McIntyre; Cara Orban; Karla Ritten; Trista Smith; KellyAnne Terry

The executive committee agreed to set an in-person meeting for Wednesday, January 23rd at 11am at Lewis and Clark Library.

Susie suggested that a subcommittee be appointed to draft bylaws for the MontanaLibrary2Go membership, which could then be discussed at the executive committee meeting. Susie and Trista will work on the bylaws together.

For the executive committee specifically, KellyAnne and Karla will work on defining the roles of the executive and selection committees and how they will work together.

Selection committee issues that need to be discussed include developing a protocol for handling the overwhelming number of patron requests and finalizing a budget for the next fiscal year. With the existing selection budget, selectors are unable to meet the increased demand for new content, and so the executive committee may also reconsider the cost formula and whether it will need to be adjusted. Any such recommendation would be put to a vote for the membership via GoToMeeting.

Cara gave the executive committee a brief summary of the objectives for the LSTA pilot, which include evaluating proprietary and open source options for supplementing the existing OverDrive collection, with a special emphasis on local content. Susie and Trista both voiced concern about having different silos of content which would be cumbersome and confusing to patrons. Cara will bring material to distribute at the January meeting presenting various options, which can be discussed in depth at a later meeting.

Susie recalled a previous discussion of incorporating public domain materials such as Project Gutenberg into MontanaLibrary2Go. This can be a part of the pilot discussion as well.

The top priorities for the January meeting will be finalizing a budget for FY2013; reviewing the bylaws that Susie and Trista will have drafted; and defining the roles of the executive and selection committees.