



Board of Trustees Meeting

January 16, 2020, 10:00 a.m.

at the
 Cadillac Wexford Public Library
 411 South Lake Street
 Cadillac, MI 49601

Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting of the Board

Location: Cadillac Wexford Public Library, 411 South Lake Street, Cadillac, MI 49601

Mid-Michigan Library League Board of Trustees meetings are held in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. All interested public, member library staff and Board members are cordially invited and encouraged to attend.

Draft Agenda

1. Call to Order – Chair, Eric Smith	Roll call
2. Approval of agenda	Action Item: Approve agenda
3. Approval of minutes	Action Item: Approve minutes from 11-14-19 Board meeting
4. Public participation and communications	Advisory Council report as needed
5. Financial report	Action Item: Approve purchase journals for November, December 2019 (roll call) Action Item: Accept financial reports (income statements, balance sheets) for November, December 2019
6. Director's report	Information Items:
7. Committees: Finance Personnel	Finance: Personnel:
8. Old business	Discussion Item: Action Item:
9. New business	Discussion Item: Selecting representative to attend ALA Legislative Day Action Item:
10. Public comment	
11. Additional Advisory Council comments	
12. Board member comments	Information Item: news from the groups?
13. Adjournment	

~Next Meeting~

Thursday, March 19, 2020, at the Cadillac Wexford Public Library, 411 South Lake Street, Cadillac, MI 49601

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**Mid-Michigan Library League
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2019
Cadillac Wexford Public Library
10:00 a.m.**

Call to Order: With a quorum present, Eric Smith, Treasurer, called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Present: Susan LaBelle, Group 2; Patti Colvin, Group 3; Diane Eisenga, Group 4; Eric Smith, Group 5; Lois Langenburg, Group 6; Valerie Church-McHugh, Group 7

Also Present: Sheryl Mase, Lauren Phillips (Baird, Cotter & Bishop)

Absent: Mary Edens, Group 1

Approval of Agenda: M/S Eisenga/Langenburg. Agenda approved.

Approval of Minutes: M/S Eisenga/LaBelle. Minutes approved.

Public Participation: Sheryl Mase summarized the meeting of the Advisory Council held on November 7, 2019 in McBain. The attendance was small but engaged. The council discussed the possibilities of offering workshops at council meetings.

Financial Reports: Lauren Phillips presented the audit results. There were no major concerns. M/S Church-McHugh/Eisenga to accept the audit report. The motion passed.

M/S Eisenga/Langenburg to accept the purchase journals for September and October 2019. Eric Smith - Yes; Lois Langenburg - Yes; Susan LaBelle - Yes; Diane Eisenga - Yes; Valerie Church-McHugh - Yes; Patti Colvin - Yes.

M/S Lois Langenburg/Patti Colvin to accept the financial reports. Motion approved.

Director's Report: Sheryl Mase reviewed the members of the Continuing Education Committee and the availability of applications for the Mini-Grant program. She reminded the board about the 30,000 titles of RB Digital eAudiobooks that are now available; the Emergency Geek hours; and updates from member libraries.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee: There was discussion about renewing the CD at Lake Michigan Credit Union. The Finance Committee will meet after the first of the year to make a recommendation to the board regarding the investing of the \$65,000.

Personnel Committee: No report.

New Business:

Elections of Officers:

M/S Langenburg/Colvin - nominated Church-McHugh for Secretary.

M/S Eisenga/Colvin - nominated Smith for Chair.

M/S Church-McHugh/Eisenga - nominated Langenburg for Treasurer.

M/S Eisenga/Langenburg - nominated Colvin for Vice Chair

M/S Church-McHugh/Patti Colvin to accept the slate of officers. Motion approved.

Appoint New Committee Members:

Finance: Eric Smith, Lois Langenburg (Chair), Valerie Church-McHugh

Personnel: Susan LaBelle, Diane Eisenga (Chair), Mary Edens

Public Comments: None

Additional Advisory Council Comments: None

Board Member Comments:

***Kudos to Ludington Library for their partnership with the West Shore Community College HumanKind Series (Church-McHugh).

***Ludington Library has activity bags that address the five reading skills tested through the state test and are available for inter-library loan (Smith).

***Benzie County libraries sponsored an author visit on November 10th that was very well attended (LaBelle).

Adjournment: M/S Langenburg/Eisenga to adjourn at 11:35 a.m. Motion approved.

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**Mid-Michigan Library League
Transaction List by Vendor
November 2019**

Type	Date	Memo	Account	Split	Amount
After 26 Depot					
Bill	11/14/2019	MMLL Board ...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8600 · Travel a...	-96.00
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	MMLL Board ...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-96.00
BAIRD COTTER AND BISHOP					
Bill	11/21/2019	Payroll for Oc...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8030 · Financi...	-160.00
Bill Pmt -Check	11/27/2019	Payroll for Oc...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-160.00
Blue care Network					
Bill	11/18/2019	Coverage 12/...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	7030 · Fringe b...	-817.60
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	Coverage 12/...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-817.60
Charter Business					
Bill	11/01/2019	Service 10/31...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8500 · Telepho...	-88.96
Bill Pmt -Check	11/01/2019	8245-12-203-...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-88.96
CONSUMERS ENERGY					
Bill	11/18/2019	Service 10/15...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8550 · Utilities	-51.66
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	Service 10/15...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-51.66
Delta Dental					
Bill	11/22/2019	Coverage 12/...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	7030 · Fringe b...	-33.38
Bill Pmt -Check	11/22/2019	Coverage 12/...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-33.38
Diane Eisenga					
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-17.40
Bill	11/20/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8600 · Travel a...	-17.40
Emergency Geek					
Bill	11/18/2019		2000 · Accounts Pa...	8017 · Informat...	-94.40
Bill Pmt -Check	11/22/2019	81-3215588 (t...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-94.40
Bill	11/22/2019	Tech support ...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8017 · Informat...	-189.40
Bill Pmt -Check	11/27/2019	81-3215588 (t...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-189.40
Eric Smith					
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-83.52
Bill	11/20/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8600 · Travel a...	-83.52
Freeconferencecall.com					
Check	11/18/2019	52536290	1000 · CashCheckin...	8602 · Worksh...	-3.00
Lois Langenburg					
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-37.12
Bill	11/20/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8600 · Travel a...	-37.12
MakerBot					
Check	11/27/2019	Filament for 3...	1000 · CashCheckin...	9780 · Maker ...	-192.76
Mitchell-Cobb Building LLC					
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019		1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-684.74
Bill	11/20/2019		2000 · Accounts Pa...	9400 · Rent	-684.74
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE RETIRMENT SYSTEM					
Bill	11/19/2019	MERS Nove...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	7030 · Fringe b...	-1,198.67
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	MERS Nove...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-1,198.67
ONYX					
Check	11/27/2019	4 rolls stamp ...	1000 · CashCheckin...	7400 · Operati...	-59.88
PATRICIA COLVIN					
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-19.72
Bill	11/20/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8600 · Travel a...	-19.72
Small Business Association of Michigan					
Bill	11/12/2019	Coverage 12/...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	7030 · Fringe b...	-76.99
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	Coverage 12/...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-76.99
Susan LaBelle					
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-63.80
Bill	11/20/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8600 · Travel a...	-63.80
Valerie ChurchMcHugh					
Bill Pmt -Check	11/19/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-96.28
Bill	11/20/2019	11/14/19 Boar...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8600 · Travel a...	-96.28

Mid-Michigan Library League
Balance Sheet
As of November 30, 2019

	Nov 30, 19
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 · CashChecking Fifth Third	4,281.51
1030 · CashSavings Fifth Third3088	127,776.01
1040 · Lake MI Credit Union	66,323.73
Total Checking/Savings	198,381.25
Accounts Receivable	
1600 · Accounts Receivable	2,630.04
Total Accounts Receivable	2,630.04
Total Current Assets	201,011.29
Other Assets	
1400 · Prepaid Expense	52,333.76
Total Other Assets	52,333.76
TOTAL ASSETS	253,345.05
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2000 · Accounts Payable	160.00
Total Accounts Payable	160.00
Other Current Liabilities	
2400 · Accrued Wages	1,570.89
2410 · Accrued FICA	97.39
2420 · Accrued Medicare	22.78
Total Other Current Liabilities	1,691.06
Total Current Liabilities	1,851.06
Total Liabilities	1,851.06
Equity	
3000 · Net Position	286,073.26
32000 · Retained Earnings	23,227.17
Net Income	-57,806.44
Total Equity	251,493.99
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	253,345.05

Mid-Michigan Library League
Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position
For Month Ending November 30, 2019

	Current	Year to	Total	Remaining	% of
	Month	date	Budget	Budget	Budget
	Actual	Actual	for Year	Budget	Budget
Revenues					
5390 · Indirect state aid	0	0	104,675	-104,675	0.00%
5400 · Interest income	16	35	1,500	-1,465	2.34%
5500 · Reimbursements From Other Govt	2,000	27,096	104,967	-77,871	25.81%
5600 · Miscellaneous Income	100	100	9,189	-9,089	1.09%
5800 · Direct State Aid	0	0	159,653	-159,653	0.00%
5850 · Workshops/Training Fees	0	120	1,500	-1,380	8.00%
Total Income	2,116	27,351	381,484	-354,133	
Expense					
Personnel Services					
7020 · Salaries and Wages	6,106	12,392	82,158	-69,766	15.08%
7030 · Fringe benefits	2,127	4,193	27,067	-22,874	15.49%
7110 · Employer Social Security	379	768	5,094	-4,326	15.08%
7120 · Employer Medicare	89	180	1,191	-1,011	15.09%
Subtotal Personnel	8,700	17,532	115,510	-97,978	
Supplies					
7270 · Postage UPS	0	0	250	-250	0.00%
7400 · Operating Supplies	60	60	500	-440	11.98%
9780 · Maker Kits	193	193	1,000	-807	19.28%
9810 · Periodicals	0	0	150	-150	0.00%
9830 · Audio/Visual	0	25,380	25,380	0	100.00%
9870 · Computer Software	0	0	375	-375	0.00%
Subtotal Supplies	253	25,633	27,655	-2,022	
Services & Other Charges					

	Current Month Actual	Year to date Actual	Total Budget for Year	Remaining Budget	% of Budget
8010 · RIDES	6492	12985	78,492	-65,507	16.54%
8017 · Information Systems/Compute	284	937	5,500	-4,563	17.03%
8030 · Financial Services	160	320	5,930	-5,610	5.40%
8300 · Dues	0	300	1,500	-1,200	20.00%
8500 · Telephone	89	178	1,100	-922	16.18%
8550 · Utilities	52	113	1,000	-887	11.29%
8600 · Travel and Conferences	414	1219	8,500	-7,281	14.34%
8602 · Workshops	3	6	4,000	-3,994	0.15%
8603 · Grants to Member Libraries	0	0	15,000	-15,000	0.00%
9100 · Insurance	-24	-24	2,100	-2,124	-1.14%
9110 · Copier Lease	0	0	360	-360	0.00%
9300 · Repairs and Maintenance	0	0	500	-500	0.00%
9400 · Rent	685	1369	8,327	-6,958	16.45%
9500 · Bank Service Charges	-20	-41		-41	100.00%
9550 · Bad Debts	0	0	42	-42	0.00%
9560 · Contingency/Misc	0	0	0	0	0.00%
9800 · Payment for Others	0	24631	104,967	-80,336	23.47%
Subtotal Services & Other	8134	41993	237,318	-195,325	
Capital Outlay & Social Projects					
9050 · Equipment	0	0	1,000	-1,000	0.00%
Subtotal Capital Outlay	17087	85158	381,483	-296,325	
Total Expense	-14971	-57806	1	-57,807	
Net Income					

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Transaction List by Vendor
December 2019**

Type	Date	Memo	Account	Split	Amount
BAIRD COTTER AND BISHOP					
Bill	12/09/2019	Year end audi...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8030 · Financi...	-4,025.00
Bill Pmt -Check	12/13/2019	Year end audi...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-4,025.00
Bill	12/16/2019	Payroll servic...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8030 · Financi...	-160.00
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2019	Payroll servic...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-160.00
Blue care Network					
Bill	12/20/2019	Coverage 1/1/...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	7030 · Fringe b...	-817.60
Bill Pmt -Check	12/20/2019	Coverage 1/1/...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-817.60
Charter Business					
Bill	12/01/2019	Service 12/1/...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8500 · Telepho...	-88.96
Bill Pmt -Check	12/13/2019	8245-12-203-...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-88.96
CONSUMERS ENERGY					
Bill	12/13/2019	service 11/14/...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	8550 · Utilities	-52.58
Bill Pmt -Check	12/16/2019	service 11/14/...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-52.58
Bill Pmt -Check	12/17/2019	VOID: service...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	0.00
Delta Dental					
Bill	12/27/2019	Coverage 1/1/...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	7030 · Fringe b...	-33.38
Bill Pmt -Check	12/27/2019	Coverage 1/1/...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-33.38
Freeconferencecall.com					
Check	12/09/2019	online storage...	1000 · CashCheckin...	8602 · Worksh...	-3.00
Mitchell-Cobb Building LLC					
Bill Pmt -Check	12/17/2019		1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-684.74
Bill	12/20/2019		2000 · Accounts Pa...	9400 · Rent	-684.74
Ms. Green					
Bill	12/20/2019	January - Apri...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	9300 · Repairs...	-54.00
Bill Pmt -Check	12/27/2019	January - Apri...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-54.00
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE RETIRMENT SYSTEM					
Bill	12/17/2019	MERS Dece...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	7030 · Fringe b...	-1,198.67
Bill Pmt -Check	12/17/2019	MERS Dece...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-1,198.67
Sheryl Mase (1)					
Bill Pmt -Check	12/27/2019	Nov/Dec 2019...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-349.31
Small Business Association of Michigan					
Bill	12/13/2019	Coverage 1/1/...	2000 · Accounts Pa...	7030 · Fringe b...	-76.99
Bill Pmt -Check	12/17/2019	Coverage 1/1/...	1000 · CashCheckin...	2000 · Account...	-76.99

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Accrual Basis

Mid-Michigan Library League
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2019

	<u>Dec 31, 19</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 · CashChecking Fifth Third	2,582.31
1030 · CashSavings Fifth Third3088	269,447.98
1040 · Lake MI Credit Union	4.68
Total Checking/Savings	<u>272,034.97</u>
Accounts Receivable	
1600 · Accounts Receivable	65,538.52
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>65,538.52</u>
Total Current Assets	337,573.49
Other Assets	
1400 · Prepaid Expense	45,841.48
Total Other Assets	<u>45,841.48</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>383,414.97</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2000 · Accounts Payable	-189.31
Total Accounts Payable	<u>-189.31</u>
Other Current Liabilities	
2130 · State Withholding	224.78
2400 · Accrued Wages	1,570.89
2410 · Accrued FICA	97.39
2420 · Accrued Medicare	22.78
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>1,915.84</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,726.53</u>
Total Liabilities	1,726.53
Equity	
3000 · Net Position	286,073.26
32000 · Retained Earnings	23,227.17
Net Income	72,388.01
Total Equity	<u>381,688.44</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>383,414.97</u></u>

Mid-Michigan Library League
Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position
For Month Ending December 31, 2019

	Current	Year to	Total	Remaining	% of
	Month	date	Budget	Budget	Budget
	Actual	Actual	for Year	Budget	Budget
Revenues					
5390 · Indirect state aid	0	0	104,675	-104,675	0.00%
5400 · Interest income	328	363	1,500	-1,137	24.21%
5500 · Reimbursements From Other Govt	71,141	98,237	104,967	-6,730	93.59%
5600 · Miscellaneous Income	0	100	9,189	-9,089	1.09%
5800 · Direct State Aid	79,093	79,093	159,653	-80,560	49.54%
5850 · Workshops/Training Fees	0	120	1,500	-1,380	8.00%
Total Income	150,562	177,914	381,484	-203,570	
Expense					
Personnel Services					
7020 · Salaries and Wages	6,205	18,597	82,158	-63,561	22.64%
7030 · Fringe benefits	2,127	6,319	27,067	-20,748	23.35%
7110 · Employer Social Security	385	1,153	5,094	-3,941	22.63%
7120 · Employer Medicare	90	270	1,191	-921	22.64%
Subtotal Personnel	8,806	26,339	115,510	-89,171	
Supplies					
7270 · Postage UPS	0	0	250	-250	0.00%
7400 · Operating Supplies	0	60	500	-440	11.98%
9780 · Maker Kits	0	193	1,000	-807	19.28%
9810 · Periodicals	0	0	150	-150	0.00%
9830 · Audio/Visual	0	25,380	25,380	0	100.00%
9870 · Computer Software	0	0	375	-375	0.00%
Subtotal Supplies	0	25,633	27,655	-2,022	
Services & Other Charges					

	Current Month Actual	Year to date Actual	Total Budget for Year	Remaining Budget	% of Budget
8010 · RIDES	6,492	19,477	78,492	-59,015	24.81%
8017 · Information Systems/Compute	0	937	5,500	-4,563	17.03%
8030 · Financial Services	4,185	4,505	5,930	-1,425	75.97%
8300 · Dues	0	300	1,500	-1,200	20.00%
8500 · Telephone	89	267	1,100	-833	24.26%
8550 · Utilities	53	165	1,000	-835	16.55%
8600 · Travel and Conferences	0	1,219	8,500	-7,281	14.34%
8602 · Workshops	3	9	4,000	-3,991	0.23%
8603 · Grants to Member Libraries	0	0	15,000	-15,000	0.00%
9100 · Insurance	0	-24	2,100	-2,124	-1.14%
9110 · Copier Lease	0	0	360	-360	0.00%
9300 · Repairs and Maintenance	54	54	500	-446	10.80%
9400 · Rent	685	2,054	8,327	-6,273	24.67%
9500 · Bank Service Charges	1	-40		-40	100.00%
9550 · Bad Debts	0	0	42	-42	0.00%
9560 · Contingency/Misc	0	0	0	0	0.00%
9800 · Payment for Others	0	24,631	104,967	-80,336	23.47%
Subtotal Services & Other	11,562	53,555	237,318	-183,763	
Capital Outlay & Social Projects					
9050 · Equipment	0	0	1,000	-1,000	0.00%
Subtotal Capital Outlay	0	0	1,000	-1,000	
Total Expense	20,368	105,526	381,483	-275,957	
Net Income	130,194	72,388	1	72,387	

**Mid-Michigan Library League
Director's Report
January 2020**



Administrative:

- Board members, groups they represent, year term ends, officers for FY20
 - Group 1 – Mary Edens – 20
 - Group 2 – Susan LaBelle –20
 - Group 3 – Patti Colvin, Vice-Chair –20
 - Group 4 – Diane Eisenga – 22
 - Group 5 – Eric Smith, Chair –21
 - Group 6 – Lois Langenburg, Treasurer – 22
 - Group 7 – Valerie Church-McHugh, Secretary – 22
 - *Group 8 – OPEN
 - *Group 9 – OPEN
- Advisory Council
 - FY20 Co-Chairs – Debra Greenacre (Manistee) and Mary Barker (Pentwater).
 - Future Meeting dates: March 12, 2020, 11:00 a.m. (Shelby District Library), May 14, 2020, 11:00 a.m. (White Pine District Library), August 13, 2020, 11:00 a.m. (Surrey Township Public Library)

Advocacy

- The Michigan Library Association will have an Advocacy Day on Wednesday April 22, 2020. They will arrange the schedule and meetings with legislators and the only cost for participants is for a t-shirt if they want one. Some of the cooperatives are arranging a bus for their members to travel to Lansing.
- The American Library Association Legislative Day in Washington, D.C. will take place May 4-5, 2020. They do a great job helping anyone new to talking to legislators on “the hill” during the first day of training and sharing resources with attendees. The Library of Michigan coordinates and provides information packets and schedules visits for the Michigan team with their legislators. We have money in the budget to send one person, and there may again be a grant to send another person if we are so fortunate.

Continuing Education:

- The CE Committee (Patti Skinner, Tracy Logan-Walker, Debra Greenacre, Amanda McLaren) met to discuss training needs for FY20. The group wanted to have HR training and Storytime training, plus some afternoon trainings at the Advisory Council meetings that have already been scheduled (MeL resources, Tech training). The group is still working out how these will happen, and we will put out the final information soon.
- The Loleta Fyan Small & Rural Libraries Conference will be held at the Grand Traverse Resort April 13-15, 2020. Registration is now open – see the conference web page.
- Monthly opportunities for webinars and in-person trainings are offered to the membership via the News of Interest newsletter. Find member library news there as well!

eResources:

- There is a new master contract for Up North Digital/OverDrive. There are currently 26 MMLL libraries participating. Interested MMLL members may join either in July (apply by June 12) or January (apply by December 13) of any given year. Billing now is handled via the cooperative, and there is a

Collection Development team working on purchasing titles for the collection and minding the holds ratio so patrons do not have to wait so long for reserved titles.

- The RBdigital unlimited collection of over 30,000 instantly downloadable eAudiobooks is available to all members of MMLL. ***Don't forget to put the link on your website and let patrons know about this service! <https://wmlpmi.rbdigital.com/>. Transparent Language Online (TLO) is there for everyone as well, so all members have a language learning resource for patrons.

Mini-Grant Program:

The first round of the Library Service Expansion and Mini-Grant program brought in 16 applications for a total of \$10,395. The Grants Committee (Mary Barker, Jennifer Thorson, Eric Smith) deliberated and made hard choices to fund 11 proposals for \$6,020. Funded grants are posted on the website and via the group email. Round two of the program was announced January 6, 2020 with applications due March 6th and announcements made on March 13 for expenditures made until August 7, 2020. There is now a scoring rubric to help applicants understand the factors that are used to judge their proposals.

Tech Assistance:

- FY20 began with each MMLL member library holding four hours of credit for computer services from Cory Walker, "Emergency Geek."
- See the website here for how to contact Cory and arrange for your needed service

Member Libraries:

- We say goodbye to Mary Ann Lenon who has retired and welcome new director Juliane Schafer at Morton Township Public Library.
- We wish Nellie Danke all the best in her new position as director at Suttons Bay, leaving the position currently open at Leelanau Township Library.
- There will be a reception for Jane Gyulveszi January 17th at 1 p.m. to wish her well in retirement, welcoming new Bellaire Public Library director, Cindi Place.

In the News:

- Possible new legislation in process to change the Michigan Library Privacy Act. Senate Bill 611 has been introduced, and the Michigan Library Association's Legislative Committee is looking at all aspects, working with ALA and GCSI to make sure there are no unintended negative outcomes.
- The Macmillan eBook issue is still much in the news. PLA has compiled resources on their eBook Lending & Pricing webpage.

Travel/Meetings:

11/19/19 – Big Rapids, Reed City with 3D printers
11/26/19 – Manistee for CE Committee meeting
12/11/19 – Ploud setup for Chase Public Library (online)
12/20/19 – MCDA (co-op directors) meeting, Lansing
1/3/20 – MMLL Grants Committee (online)

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