

*Minutes of the Meeting of the
Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards
April 25, 2012, 10:00 a.m.
Delaware County Commissioners Building, Delaware, Ohio*

The Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards (hereinafter "Consortium") held a meeting at 10:00 a.m. on April 25, 2012 at the Delaware County Commissioners Building in Delaware, Ohio. The following Board Members were in attendance: Judge Charles Schneider, Ken Kozlowski, George Baker, and Kathleen M. Dugan. Keith Blough and Galen Avery represented the Advisory Council. Also in attendance were Executive Director Angela Baldree and John Patterson on behalf of Assistant Attorney General Jennifer Croskey. Guests included many county law librarians.

Judge Schneider called for approval of the March 9, 2012 Minutes. Upon motion of George Baker, seconded by Ken Kozlowski, the Minutes were unanimously approved by the Board.

Angela Baldree then provided a financial report for February and March, 2012. She indicated that the Consortium received approximately \$150,000.00 in February, \$55,000.00 in March, and \$256,000.00 to date. She also indicated that the Consortium's account balance was approximately \$531,000.00 as of March 31st. The Consortium also made significant grants to county law libraries. Upon motion of Ken Kozlowski, seconded by George Baker, the financial report was unanimously approved by the Board. Judge Schneider asked that the issues of how the Consortium collects dues and spends its funds be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

John Patterson then provided an update on the Consortium's status as an agency. He indicated that Jennifer Croskey's office is requesting authority to seek a formal opinion from the Attorney General. She is also conducting legal research, exploring various, alternative avenues, and writing an informal opinion to waive the Board's attorney-client privilege.

Ms. Baldree then presented a proposal from Loislaw, explaining that it includes national federal and state primary law, but not the treatise libraries. The price is \$2,700.00 for 1 year, which is a significant discount off of the regular price of \$4,500.00. Subscriptions would be billed directly to interested libraries and would include access for four (4) simultaneous users (probably via passwords). No remote access is available, and the offer is only for new customers. The deadline is August 1st, two (2) web demonstrations will be provided, and Ms. Baldree will circulate the information to all county law libraries.

Ms. Baldree then distributed a list of new Matthew Bender titles that are being published and indicated that Lexis is offering two (2) free titles, Ohio Creditor's Rights and the Ohio Consumer Law Manual. After re-calculating the sum for the first six (6) titles on the list to \$33,061.60, the Board unanimously voted to approve the purchase with Consortium funds upon a motion by Ken Kozlowski, seconded by George Baker. Upon a separate motion of Ken Kozlowski, seconded by George Baker, the Board unanimously voted to authorize Consortium funds for the purchase of the three (3) additional titles on the list in the sum of \$14,357.20. Ms. Baldree indicated that she has

spoken with both Lexis and Westlaw about online plans, and both are only willing to discuss patron access plans since staff plans are already on a state contract. Ms. Dugan suggested that the Consortium should approach HeinOnline, and Anna Paczelt suggested that Lexis should consider publishing books on unemployment compensation and juvenile law.

In response to a question from Ms. Dugan, Ms. Baldree indicated that the Ohio Law Library Consortium should keep working on its activities since the Consortium does not have a website yet that would enable it to assume those functions.

Ms. Baldree then offered to provide assistance with paperwork to any county law library that received a Consortium grant. Each recipient will have to secure the required Memorandum of Understanding before the release of any funds to ensure that its county will be bound to appropriate the grant funds for expenditure by the library.

Upon motion by George Baker, seconded by Ken Kozlowski, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen M. Dugan".

Kathleen M. Dugan, Esq., MLS, Secretary