

North Dakota Library Coordinating Council (NDLCC)  
September 21, 2015  
Special Meeting Conference Call  
Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

Council Members Present: Chair Ted Smith, Ilene Larson, Mary Soucie, Michele Seil, Phyllis Kuno, Beth Reitan, Tim Dirks, Ray Siver

Council Members Absent: Stephen Banister, Wendy Wendt, and Susie Sharp

Agenda: LV2020 Grants to Libraries – discussion and action

The question has risen regarding how regional libraries, branch libraries and school libraries will be handled for the awarding of grants in the current grant round.

Council members said that any public library that has their own budget, submits an annual report for themselves, has an established board, has a mill levy, and meets all Century Code rules is eligible to apply for the LV 2020 grant round.

Public libraries that qualify and have branch libraries may apply for the grants for use at their main library or their branch libraries, wherever they need the materials. Branch libraries do not qualify on their own for LV2020 grants.

Two schools may apply for one grant together but one needs to be set up as the administrative entity for the grant. Any public school may apply that has a principal that approves the grant. For future grants, the Council may want to be sure the school district level receives the grant information. Soucie will check with DPI for school newsletters, etc. to include grant information for upcoming grant rounds. The State Library newsletter, the Flickertale is sent to schools and does include the grant information as well.

Regional and coops: Motion was made by Seil that each library in a regional library system or coop of libraries needs to have a separate levy, and an established board as stated in the Century Code to be eligible for the grants. Larson seconded it. Motion carried unanimously.

Libraries with branches: Dirks moved that branch libraries that are part of a publicly funded library cannot apply separately for the grants. Kuno seconded it. Motion carried unanimously.

Public School Libraries: Dirks made a motion that public schools be allowed to apply separately for individual grants. Siver seconded it. Motion carried unanimously.

Smith adjourned the meeting at 10:30 am.