

MINITEX POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
University of Minnesota – Twin Cities
50 Willey Hall
Friday, June 7, 2013
9:30 AM – 12:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Pat Conley, Chair for FY13
Wendy Pradt Lougee
Chris Olson
Brooke Roegge, Vice Chair for FY13
Ann Walker Smalley

LeAnn Dean
Mary Lukkarila
Bruce Willms (attended for Joan Roca)
Julie Setnosky

Members Unable to Attend:

Tori Jensen
Kathy Parker

Cynthia Jorstad

Non-Voting Members Present:

Nancy Walton

Colleen Kirby (attended for Warren Wilson)

Non-Voting Members Unable to Attend:

Hulen Bivins

Todd Digby

Staff Present:

Mary Lou Dresbach

Valerie Horton

Minitex Drivers Committee Present:

Tammi Halverson
Jennifer Hootman
Becky Ringwelski
Carla Urban

Philip Herold
Agnes Lee
Paul Swanson
Jerilyn Veldof (Consultant)

Observers:

Cecelia Boone
Stephen Elfstrand
Mary Parker

Kathy Drozd
Thomas Eland

1. Introductions and announcements

Conley welcomed Council members, members of the Minitex Drivers Committee, and others attending this special meeting of the Minitex Policy Advisory Council.

Conley thanked LeAnn Dean and Julie Setnosky whose terms as representatives for the University of Minnesota Coordinate Campuses and the Twin Cities and Southern State Colleges, respectively, end with the June 30 conclusion of FY2013. Other Council members added their thanks.

2. Minnesota Office of Higher Education Report

Dresbach made a short report about decisions made during the just completed legislative session. She noted that Minitex and MnLINK appropriations will now be listed as a total – rather than as separate budget items. Ringwelski said that there may be a slight increase in the MnLINK server site payments thanks to the additional dollars appropriated by the Legislature for MnLINK.

Horton thanked Bruce Willms, who testified before the Senate Higher Education Committee in favor of the additional funds request for Minitex and MnLINK; Elaine Keefe, Mark Ranum, and members of MLA and

MEMO for their work with the Legislature; and “the memory of Bill DeJohn” for the Legislature’s approval of additional funds for Minitex, MnLINK, and Minnesota Digital Library. She said that the extra funds would go toward replacing funds lost in earlier years and some additional activities may be pursued as a result of the ongoing Minitex strategic planning process.

Horton noted that the proposal for a statewide homework help program was not approved but that it could be raised again in the future.

Olson noted that the regional public libraries received the same amount from the Legislature that they had received in the previous budget session.

3. Planning Process

Horton thanked all those present for their interest in the Minitex strategic planning process and discussed the plan for the morning’s work. She said that the Council, as representatives of Minitex’s constituent groups, will play an important role in the planning process. She introduced Jerilyn Veldof, a staff member of the University Libraries and a consultant/facilitator for the Minitex Drivers Committee, who led the Council and other attendees through a series of planning activities.

4. Adjourn

Horton thanked everyone for their participation in the morning’s activities.

Remaining meetings in 2013: September 13, December 6