

**NPC Library Media Technology Advisory Board
White Mountain Campus – Video II Classroom
May 19, 2006 Meeting**

Present: Denise Rominger, LMT Student and Library Manager Blue Ridge High School
Judith Pepple, Director Apache County Library District
Wendy Kochheiser, Director Show Low Public Library
Rose Kreher, Adjunct Faculty
Trudy Bender, Adjust Faculty
Sherry French, Chair and Adjunct Faculty

Online Instruction

Sherry reported that all but one of the core courses are now complete and approved for online delivery. The final course, LIB 112, will be completed over the summer. Several students have indicated that they prefer a course with a text to one developed without a text. Sherry offered to provide catalogs of library technology textbooks to faculty interested in updating the text for their course.

Rose questioned whether LMT courses transfer to state universities. Only one course, LIB 107, is currently approved for transfer credit. She will research the process to have others approved.

Review of current program/courses

Sherry reviewed the recommendations from the last Advisory Board meeting:

- LIB 110, Young Adult and Children's Literature will be removed from the catalog.
- Electives EDU 291/ENL 291, Children's Literature, and ECD 217, Early Literacy, will be offered to LMT students.
- New course will be developed – Services to Children & Young Adults

Sherry asked for suggestions for the curriculum of the proposed course, Young Adult and Children's Services. The Committee recommended:

- Marketing to youth
- Youth reference services
- Young adult and children's literature
- Youth programming
- Facilities for children and young adults
- Collection development for children and young adults
- Services to youth (tutoring, homework assistance, internet access)
- Child development and psychology

Sherry will draft a Course Outline for the new course. Following this discussion, it was recommended that additional courses from Early Childhood Development be added as electives. It was also recommended that there be a review of pre-requisites and placement requirements for all LMT courses.

Promotion

Sherry reported that FTSE was down last semester. Faculty members are interested in new ways to promote the program. Rose suggested that promotional materials emphasize that the program

focuses on small and rural libraries. Wendy offered to interview Sherry on the Show Low Public Library local cable program. All agreed this is a good idea.

Judith advised that the Arizona State Library conducts a training program, Library Institute, for library paraprofessionals each summer. The Institute is held on the campus at ASU. Current library employees live in the dorms and attend classes for one week. Judith suggested this might be a good opportunity to promote the program. She also offered to distribute program flyers at the County Librarians meeting.

As part of the active Title III grant, Coconino Community College (CCC) has offered to promote the LMT program to their students. The benefit to CCC would be that students could complete general education and elective courses at CCC and then complete the LMT courses at NPC. It was suggested that the LMT program develop similar agreements with other rural community colleges. It was also recommended that LMT faculty work with the State Library to promote the program.

Scholarships

Sherry commented that scholarships specific to the LMT program may be available soon. College administration would like these scholarships to go to new students as a way to generate interest in the program. Sherry asked for suggestions on how the money might be allocated so that she would be prepared to make recommendations if the opportunity arises. It was agreed that \$500 would be appropriate. This would allow \$120 for 3 credits tuition, \$60 for the Internet course fee, funds to purchase a book and for incidental expenses. Scholarships should not be limited to new students but should also be available to people working in the field and students who have demonstrated success in coursework. All agreed that scholarships should be limited to Arizona residents.

The meeting was adjourned. No date was set for the next meeting.

Unable to attend: Geneva Durkee, Navajo County Library Director
Linda Renfro, Librarian, Blue Ridge School District
Mary Morris, Librarian, Show Low High School
Kathryn Melsted, Adjunct Faculty