MSL Future – Good 2009 – additions from 4/23/05 retreat:

1. IT people support & work collaboratively with & for libraries
- Commission commitment to an appropriate state of the art network
- IT commitment of budget, staffing, equipment, trustworthy partner –essential – cannot do business without this stuff.
- Internal but externally – other agencies effect strategic planning, MOU, need to explain to library constituents.
- MSL feels: hands on, ownership, what we want to achieve, business plan/optimistic, hardware and software.

2. Administration sees the value of maintaining & growing services to/for kids
- Federations more multitype
- More on reading themes
- OPI involved
- CPUs for OPI need at least 5 hours so 2 or 3 meetings, which requires some preplanning.

3. Libraries are well-funded, staffed & are appreciated
- Accept change! Change is good! Agency is willing to make an ongoing investment in staff.

4. Have access to the same information
- Everyone has access to the information they need.
- Permanent public access issue

5. Access to the Internet is unrestricted
- Access to information is unrestricted.
- Internet is information access – all eggs in this basket
- Archival preservation
- Intent vs. managing space
- Where does information go????
- Permanent public access issue

6. MSL has transformed itself into a special library for state government with a robust consulting service to the public library community.
- MSL has transformed itself into a special library for state government and all appropriate library communities.
- Need to define state government, also serve government information to all users.
- Government information is a public resource
- Federations as a conduit to a robust network.

7. MSL has a clear definition of its users and provides services that meet their needs
- most important
- funding is symptom; relevancy is the issue

- ahead of curve or react? Answer is yes!
- Power of change vs. victim of change
- Mover to more specialization, not done

8. MSL has trustworthy responsible partners, & a robust network infrastructure.
- MSL being a trustworthy responsible partner
- People
- Local officials
- State agencies
- Mea
- MLA
- Federations
- Marketing
- MACO
- A network of partners