

**Network Advisory Council (NAC) Meeting
9:00 a.m., January 21, 2021
ONLINE ONLY VIA ZOOM**

MINUTE LOG

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ATTENDEES:

Council Members: Chair Jennie Stapp, Tracy Cook, Cara Orban, Pamela Benjamin, Cody Allen, Honore Bray, Barry Brown, Kathryn Holt, Sarah McClain, Susie McIntyre, Bruce Newell, Kate Peterson, Belinda Potter, Nancy Schmidt, Jodi Smiley, Kit Stephenson, Stacey Moore

MSL Staff: Jennifer Birnel, Jessica Edwards, Jo Flick, Pam Henley, Amy Marchwick, Suzanne Reymer, Genevieve Lighthiser

Public: None

Agenda: [Attachment 1](#)

(00:00:20) Welcome and introductions

(00:06:10) Minutes from Nov. 12, 2020 NAC Meeting: [Attachment 2](#)
Motion by Member Bray and seconded by Member Schmidt to approve the minutes as presented and the motion passed.

(00:07:35) State Library Update, Chair Jennie Stapp, State Librarian

(00:07:44) Legislative session activity

(00:12:45) Governor Gianforte's state budget

(00:15:15) IMLA award notification

(00:17:20) **Montana Library Network Discussion:** : [Attachment 3](#)

(00:17:20) Chair Stapp introduced proposed changes and gave an update on conversation with other committees

Council Questions

(00:30:10) Pamela Benjamin asked how the changes to NAC will affect MSL directive to serve public libraries.

(00:39:36) Kit Stephenson asks if these changes will affect the size and makeup of NAC.

(00:52:40) Tracy Cook shares Jodi Smiley's chat questions about other librarians asking why the changes are needed and how it will happen.

(00:56:20) Tracy Cook shares Jodi Smiley's chat question from another librarian asking if this meant their voice was going to be given to the State Library rather than to librarians themselves. Another library wanted to know why we were trying to fix something that wasn't broke.

(01:24:57) Chair Stapp discusses what the next steps will be once NAC takes action to move this new model to the Montana State Library Commission.

(01:31:35) Motion by Member Bray and seconded by Member McIntyre to approve the organizational structure for the Montana Library Network and the motion passed.

(01:32:11) Bruce Newell recommends voting by chat.

Susie McIntyre: Aye
Jodi Smiley: Aye
Kit Stephenson: Aye
Kate Peterson: Aye
Cody Allen: Aye
Nancy Schmidt: Aye
Sarah, McClain: Aye
Stacey Moore: Aye
Bruce Newell: Abstains
Honore Bray: Aye
Belinda Potter: Abstains

(01:34:31) Chair Stapp introduces the discussion topic of what skills new NAC members will need.

(01:47:07) Chair Stapp introduces the discussion topic of timing of the transition to the new model.

(01:51:43) **Other Business and Announcements**

(01:52:00) Jennifer Birnel announces update on RFP for Montana Memory Project.

(01:53:45) **Adjourned at 11:03 a.m.**