District Advisory Council Meeting Cambridge Springs April 26, 2017

**Attending-** Thomas Snyder, Trustee, Albion Area Public Library; Amanda Scott, Director, Cambridge Springs Public Library; Nadena Kramer, Director, Cochranton Area Public Library; Marcia Stiller, Director, Corry Public Library; Telce Varee, Director, Linesville Community Public Library; Mary Kieffer, Director, McCord Memorial Library; Ronda Nicholes, Director, Rice Avenue Community Public Library; Heather Wakefield, Director, Saegertown Area Library; Joy Post, Director, Springboro Public Library; Pamela Clark, Director, Stone Memorial Library; Christine Slocum, Director, Union City Public Library; Susan Osborne, Director, Waterford Public Library

**Call to Order** - Meeting called to order at 10:06 by John Brice.

**Approval of Minutes** - Heather Wakefield motioned, Christ Slocum Seconded, Motion passed.

**Announcements** - ECPL announced the Edinboro Branch Library and the Bookmobile are being designated as Literary Landmarks on May 1st.

A multi-district workshop will be presented in Clarion sponsored by SNOE and presented by PANA on June 9th. The topic is Strategic Plans. It is open to Directors and Trustees.

ECPL locations will be closed on May 4th all morning for a ½ day in-house workshop at Blasco.

Tony Keck's last day will be May 19th.

**Old Business** - *District Restructuring:* A plan has been presented to Glenn Miller regarding the district restructuring of Erie-Crawford, Seneca, New Castle and Oil Creek Districts. The plan is awaiting comments; however, none are expected soon as the state budget is still under discussion in Harrisburg. The process is moving slowly to ensure that everything continues to conform to existing state laws.

A question was raised regarding state budget, county budgets and the Erie County gaming funds that are currently under discussion. There was no update on these issues, but libraries will be informed once there is.

*Blasco Renovation:* The renovation for Phase One has begun. Temporary walls were erected on April

14th. A keystone grant has been secured for $100,000 with matching funds from the ECPL Foundation to begin Phase Two. Phase One is scheduled for completion in September, but construction will likely shift straight into Phase Two at that point.

**New Business** - *Budget:* The DAC Agreement was reviewed. Tony presented a budget similar to previous years. Mary Rennie presented a budget with new options for services. John Brice discussed Kimber, a non-profit internet network and the possibility of district libraries getting connected to it for cheaper internet connectivity fees. Kimber is still under construction. Discussion ensued over budget. A new proposal was presented. Motion made my Mary Keiffer to accept new proposal, seconded by Heather Wakefield, motion carried. Motion made by Heather Wakefield that any surplus funds be used to by STEM kits for district libraries. Motion seconded by Pam Clark, motion passed.

**Date and Location of Next Meeting** – August 16th at 10am at the Edinboro Branch Library.

**Other Discussion** - Cake was presented to commemorate Tony's upcoming retirement.

**Adjournment** - John Brice declared the meeting adjourned at 12:22