

TLN Strategic Planning Committee

Meeting Minutes

Friday, March 26, 2021 at 11:00a

1. Reviewed minutes from 3-12-2021 meeting.
2. Finalized draft mission and vision statements:
 - a. **Mission: To create a vibrant, collaborative partnership among libraries, driving access to shared services, technology, resources, and expertise.**
 - b. **Vision: To support, educate, and inspire leadership and innovation in libraries.**
 - c. **Tagline: Libraries Working Together**

Consensus is that these are good enough to put in the survey and get member feedback.

3. Discussion of draft values statements.
 - We strive to provide excellent **service** to advance all libraries.
 - We facilitate resource sharing and **collaboration** as we are stronger together.
 - We encourage **equitable, diverse, and inclusive** public library services to all residents of Southeast Michigan.
 - We provide **value** to member libraries through robust purchasing power and proactive planning.

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4. Further discussion of survey:

Reviewed comments made by committee members in the draft survey. Discussed survey questions and choices, agreement reached on some questions, still have some outstanding discussions needed, so committee members should review and make comments ahead of our next meeting. Survey is still very much in draft form, especially the sections on priorities.

What are next steps for survey once finalized? Do we need Steering Committee or TLN Board approval before sending it out? Steve will follow up with Steering Committee Chair Holly Teasdale.

Next meeting: April 9, 11am.

Committee Members (those present at the meeting in bold)

- **Karen Knox** (Orion Township Class V) – co-chair
- **Eva Davis** (Canton Class VI) – co-chair, note-taker
- Michael Cummings (Flat Rock Class IV)
- Devan Green (Pontiac Class VI)
- Cindy Mack (Brighton Class V)

- **Jenny Marr** (Ferndale Class IV)
- Carrie Ralston (Walled Lake, Class II)
- **Steve Bowers** (TLN Executive Director)

Committee page on TLN website: <https://tln.lib.mi.us/committee/planning/>

Committee Charge Review

Working in consultation with the TLN Board and Executive Director, the Strategic Planning Committee will:

- Develop a new Mission Statement and Vision Statements for TLN
- Develop a TLN Membership survey for Strategic Planning purposes
- Set Priorities and Goals
- Define the framework for a Three-year Strategic Plan