

## **MULSA Board November 11, 2010**

**Present:** Adrienne, Rachel, Kris, Ruth, Ruthe, Jack, Sandy, Mary, Karla

**Absent:** Will, Delores, PT

### **Old Business**

**Update on staff lounge** (Rachel) - still no estimate available

**Need a Secretary** (Will leaving MU) -Rachel has sent out a general request for volunteers, but if she doesn't hear from someone new, she will tap Tammy, who had previously said she could step in, in case of vacancies.

**Update on Missouri Book Challenge** (Rachel)

<http://mobookchallenge.blogspot.com/>

<http://mulibrariesbookchallenge.blogspot.com>

Rachel is pleased with the quality and quantity of submissions for November. Prizewinners and judges had a nice lunch together. Branch library people won all three prizes!

### **Discussion**

**Microwave Oven:** Adrienne has received complaints about the microwave that was decommissioned as a result of the "microwaved socks incident." Culprit of "socks" incident has not been made to pay for a new machine. Tammy has attempted to clean it, but several people have said that no matter how well it is cleaned, they won't use it. However, there seem to be more people who miss the large microwave than there are people who would not use this one again. Ruthe has picked up the microwave from Mary Amann's house and has installed it. Mary Amann has cleaned the interior of this new microwave, but it is smaller than the one it is intended to replace.

The board discussed what should be done.

Action item: Adrienne will steam microwave with white vinegar. We will put the donated oven away as backup, pending renovations or utter destruction of one of existing microwaves.

**December party brainstorm:** we want lots of small door prizes but not as many raffle prizes as before

Rachel has donated a stuffed rabbit as raffle prize for those who bring their own plateware to the holiday party.

Rachel will pick up candy for mugs. Mugs will be distributed randomly to people with slips of paper taped under their chairs.

Ellis Library will be open until 6:00 PM on the evening of the party.

Adrienne and Karla will speak to Library Assembly about staff lounge developments, at the Assembly's request (e.g., soda machines, planned renovations)

January 13 has been scheduled for the all staff meeting. This conflicts with MULSA's scheduled meeting time. Send Rachel times to reschedule MULSA board meeting week of January 10.

**Spotlight Awards:** Karla still working on printer issues.

**Adopted Family:**

Ruthe is wrapping gifts tomorrow (Friday 12/10) starting at 9:30 AM. A lot of money has been collected.

Decision: The MULSA board voted to donate \$200 (same amount as last year) toward the adopted family's gift list and/or dinner.