



## WVLS - V-Cat Steering Committee Meeting - Minutes

Wednesday, September 18, 2019  
WVLS Office – Wausau WI

1. Committee Chair, **Tom Bobrofsky**, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
2. Roll call was taken by **K. Schulz** and it was determined a quorum was present.

### Present:

Tom Bobrofsky, Chair  
Eileen Grunseth  
Dominic Frandrup  
Leah Giordano  
Stacy Stevens  
Stephanie Schmidt  
Pat Pechura (via Go To Meeting)  
Paul Knuth (via Go To Meeting)  
Kim Metzke (via Go To Meeting)  
Peggy O'Connell (via Go To Meeting)

### Others Present:

Marla Sepnafski, WVLS Director  
Kyle Schulz  
Rachel Metzler  
Joshua Klingbeil

### Members Absent:

3. **Adoption of agenda.** **T. Bobrofsky** asked for approval of the agenda. **D. Frandrup/E. Grunseth** motion to accept the agenda. **All Aye. Motion carried.**
4. **Approval of March 28, 2019 Minutes.** **T. Bobrofsky** asked for approval of the March 28, 2019 minutes. **P. Pechura /E. Grunseth** motion to accept the March 20, 2018 minutes. **All Aye. Motion carried.**
5. **Review of V-Cat Bylaws.** **K. Schulz** presented the current V-Cat Bylaws for review. Of particular interest related to recent activities in the V-Cat Council was the mechanism for voting. Current V-Cat Bylaws require a two-thirds majority for a vote to pass. **K. Schulz** presented the ideas of a simple majority (51% of the vote), the concept of weighted voting, and a hybrid two tiered voting structure used by another ILS consortium in Wisconsin.

In discussion it was noted:

- that a simple majority may not accurately reflect the consensus of the V-Cat Council and that a two-thirds majority feels better as a consensus than a simple majority.
- abstentions are not productive to the voting process.
- that a weighted vote could be more representative of the patrons libraries serve.
- that a weighted vote would make sure that the MCPL community is represented within the vote.
- that a multi-tiered model may be too complicated for the V-Cat Council's need.
- that such complexities could be minimize with tools to automate the voting results.

**D. Frandrup** asked for clarification on how proxies are accounted for in calculating the two-thirds majority for a vote. The bylaws currently state: "A 2/3 majority of the total representatives in attendance or via proxy will carry the vote."

As discussion of the model that would work best was discussed and a consensus could not be reached **T. Bobrofsky** suggested that member libraries should have more input into this process. **P. Pechura** echoed this stating that the libraries should have input for what they want for their organization [V-Cat Council]. **E. Grunseth** agreed.

**L. Giordano** asked for clarification about Article 6: Dissolution of V-Cat; specifically, “In the event of dissolution, each member of V-Cat shall pay WVLS for a proportionate share of the cost of closing down the database itself.” It was clarified that the funds are used for continuing projects such as changing ILS’s and not for paying additional costs of closing down the database.

**P. Pechura/E. Grunseth** motion to ask the V-Cat Council to evaluate a variety of voting models for the V-Cat Council bylaws and to provide input to the Steering Committee. **All Aye. Motion carried.**

**6. Request for Future Agenda items.**

None discussed at this time.

**7. Set next meeting date.**

**T. Bobrofsky** said that the next meeting will fall in March 2020. WVLS will send out a survey to establish a date for a meeting.

**8. Adjournment.**

**E. Grunseth/S. Schmidt** motion to adjourn. **All Aye. Motion carried.** Meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

*Minutes drafted by Kyle Schulz and Joshua Klingbeil, submitted by Joshua Klingbeil.*

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