**Consent**

**Meeting Date:** November 4, 2014

**Time Needed:** 10 minutes

**Contact Person/Department:** Michael Perry, County Librarian

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**Phone Number:** 530-841-4178

**Person(s) Appearing & Title:** Michael Perry, County Librarian

### Subject/Summary of Issue

Reconfirm County of Siskiyou's participation in the North State Cooperative Library System (NorthNet Consortia). Original membership began in 1968 (see attached Resolution). Unfortunately, Exhibit A which defines the Plan of Service of the consortia is unable to be located.

Questions have arisen recently regarding payments associated with Consortia employees retiree and health benefits with CalPERS. Also, staff is questioning the amount of expenses which have risen sharply over the past few years.

8 out of 12 counties have paid these employee expenses, and Siskiyou & at least 3 other counties have not due to concerns with payment of CalPers benefits, etc. These benefits go back to 2012 and average around $700/year for Siskiyou. The Consortia will cease paying health insurance benefits, as of the end of the calendar year.

### Financial Impact? Yes ☒ Please describe impact, indicate funding source & amount budgeted. No ☐ Please explain why there is no financial impact.

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- Local Preference Purchase
  - See attached

### Recommended Motion:

Either:

1. Agree to provide payment to NorthNet for employee benefits, including retiree & health and any other associated costs for the Consortia. Board could consider a maximum amount per year, or some control on this budget?

2. Disapprove payment of these benefits and notify NorthNet Consortia of our concerns.

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**REVIEWED AS RECOMMENDED BY POLICY**

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**CLERK’S INSTRUCTIONS**

Certified Minute Order(s) ☐ How many?

Other

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Revised April 2014
RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN
THE NORTH SACRAMENTO VALLEY LIBRARY
COOPERATIVE SYSTEM

WHEREAS, on January 26, 1965, the Board of Supervisors of Siskiyou County, by its Resolution No. 14, Book I, authorized a library survey; and

WHEREAS, to implement the recommendations of said library survey and planning grant, a cooperative library system covering the Counties of Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Modoc, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Tehama and Trinity together with the Cities of Chico, Oroville, Orland and Willows is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Plan of Service for such a cooperative library system is proposed, a copy of which is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Siskiyou that the Librarian of the Siskiyou County Library be, and is hereby authorized to participate in the North Sacramento Valley Library Cooperative System. The Plan of Service of the said System is hereby incorporated by reference.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Siskiyou, State of California, this 11th day of June, 1968, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Ager, Hayden, Jackson and Sirianni.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Rachael N. Cordes
Clerk, Board of Supervisors

By Deputy
October 28, 2014

Siskiyou County Library currently provides the following library services through its participation in the North State Library (and because North State is a member the larger NorthNet library consortia):

- **Koha Library Catalog** – to host and allow public access to our collection.
  - $14,500 per year (FY 14/15)
- **Overdrive** – the Library’s e-book/e-audiobook online catalog
  - $1,624 per year (FY 14/15)
- **Library databases** – access to online services such as Chilton and Testing & Education Reference Center
  - $1,827 per year (FY 14/15)
- **Online Computer Library Center (OCLC)** – providing staff access to other library catalogs to help process our material and Inter-Library loan services
  - $8,135 per year (FY 14/15)
- **Membership Dues** – cost for administrating and operating the consortia
  - $874 per year (FY 14/15)
- **CalPERS** – retirement costs for past consortia employees. North State and NorthNet don’t have active employees anymore with no additional CalPERS obligation that the consortia are taking on. Current fiscal and administration handled through contractors.
  - ~$600 per year (FY 14/15)

All library service, membership and CalPERS costs are discussed and set by the members of the consortia. Siskiyou County Library benefits from its participation as the number of member libraries helps to negotiate prices down and keep many of the services available to many of the rural systems.

These current services are not meant to be an exclusive list. Additional services may be added or replace as technology and other resources become available online or are more easily disseminate to patrons.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Perry