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Sent:	Tuesday, July 29, 2014 12:08 PM
To:	#ISL StdsTaskforce-L
Subject:	RE: Comments on Draft Standards

We are having some problems with members posting to the Standards listserv. While we are troubleshooting, here is one post from Gabrielle Carr:

Here are some comments about the draft standards from the director of my library (New Albany-Floyd Co). Comments are in **RED**:

- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (f):): "The **library shall take advantage of orientation materials provided by the Indiana State Library for** new library board trustees and training materials to all library trustees and directors annually. **Is it really necessary to provide these materials annually for long serving trustees?**   The library board shall adhere to the principles discussed in approved and current Indiana state library publications for library trustees." **How is this enforceable? What about local control? Is the State Library to dictate and have the trustees be liable for things they haven't been informed of?**
- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (h) (3) (C): "Long-range plan of service…. An assessment of facilities, services, technology, and operations" **Daunting for smaller libraries**
- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (h) (3) (E): "Financial Resources and sustainability." **Doesn't fit with IN public library funding. IN has only the tax levy as a resource. Is this like a balance from an audit?**
- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (h) (4) (E):   "A technology plan of service for three (3) years….Financial resources and sustainability". **Any projected budgets are soon out of date.**
- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (k) (3): "A library expending at least seven and five-tenths percent (7.5%) of its operating fund expenditures for library collections shall meet basic standards for collection expenditures." **Or increase by Library class**
- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (k) (6): **Add (E) ILS User Group Consortia**
- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (k) (8) (A):   Programs and reference services ~~offered~~ **planned** by a qualified individual holding the appropriate librarian certificate." **Sounds like we could not count a program featuring a local jazz artists or collaborate with AARP or Red Cross to do programs.**
- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (k) (8)(C): "A collection of materials for adults **with a variety of reading levels**."
- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (k) (9)(C): "A collection of materials for young adults **at various reading levels**."
- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (k) (11): "Library sponsored programming shall be provided with the following minimum frequency within each library district:" **The standard would be clearer with an example, e.g., 75,000 population = 375 programs**
- 590 IAC 6-1-4 (k) (14): "Computers shall be provided for the free use of all persons regardless of residency, …" **There are many IN counties on the border with other states. Are we really opening our doors to non-taxpaying, non-residents?**

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