

**AMIGOS LIBRARY SERVICES**  
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**NOMINATION ACCEPTANCE AND BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FORM**

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**Candidate** Mary JS Moroney

I accept the nomination to serve as a candidate for: Amigos Board of Directors

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**EDUCATION (LIST MOST RECENT FIRST)**

Degree	Institution	Dates
MLIS	University of Oklahoma	1987
BA	Marycrest College	1983
"Positive Leadership: Creating Spectacular Organizational Success" Ross School of Business, U of Mich. 2008		

**POSITIONS (LIST MOST RECENT FIRST)**

Position	Institution	Dates
Executive Director	Eastern OK Library System	2009 – present
Assistant Director	Eastern OK Library System	1995 - 2008

**HONORS, AWARDS, PRIZES, MEDALS, CITATIONS**

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**MEMBERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES IN STATE, REGIONAL, AND NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

ALA – 1986 – present  
PLA – 1987 – present  
OK Library Association – 1986 – present  
OLA activities: Chair: Membership Committee, Intellectual Freedom Committee  
Served on Membership, Ethics, Interlibrary Cooperation, Intellectual Freedom, Legislative, Program, Awards and Budget Committees

**PUBLICATIONS/ PRESENTATIONS**

Presentations to various community groups.

**STATEMENT OF CONCERN**

In this time of uncertainty, library services need to evolve. We must find ways to provide our patrons with the information they need. We must be able to serve the people who don't have access to a computer or the internet. Staff must also evolve. They must be able to strategize and work together, while working apart.

Professional development has always been important to me. It is a necessity for all staff. As a member of the ODL/OLA Certification Board, I assisted in the creation of Library Certification process for our state. I believe Amigos has a unique opportunity to help provide continuing education to all library staff through the Member conference, Webinars and Demos, Know & Go sessions and Online Classes. We must strategize ways of creating new paths to information.

We must all stay connected. Small rural libraries, like the kind in my library system, depend on trained individuals who use digital resources to connect their communities to the world. But what about those without the ability to access digital resources? How do we serve them? We must provide the appropriate training and development opportunities to enhance our services.

As a Board member for Amigos Library Services, I would bring over thirty-five years of library experience to an organization known for uniting libraries to their communities. I want to help Amigos continue this mission and I want to explore going beyond this goal by creating opportunities to market libraries to their communities. Our worth is measured by the last encounter a user had with our libraries; whether it be in the building, through an email or providing curbside service. Customer Service, Technology training, Readers Advisory, Literacy skills for everyone – there is much work to be done.

I began my library career cataloging on an OCLC beehive terminal. We had library cards created that were shipped to us every day. I was responsible for bidding out our first automation system. When Dynix came in, the weekly filing of the catalog cards went out. Until I became the Executive Director of the System, I was the person in charge of the library automation system and I was responsible for automating each of our 15 branch libraries.

For over 20 years, I've created the System's budget and policies which safeguard our financial resources. I assist in hiring, evaluating and occasionally firing staff. I work directly with a 21 member Board to continually update and improve public library service in eastern Oklahoma. I have a unique prospective that I can bring to the Board and I will work hard to make Amigos successful.

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