

Central Library / Collection Development Advisory Committee meeting
February 22, 2010

- Committee members attending:
 - Columbia County - Sally Alderdice
 - Dutchess County - Greg Callahan, Gloria Goverman
 - Greene County - Linda Deubert
 - Putnam County - Kathleen McLaughlin
 - Ulster County - John Giralico, Margie Menard
 - Staff: Josh Cohen, Tom Lawrence, Sue Hermans
- Others attending: Pat Kaufman, Merribeth Advocate

Minutes approved by J. Giralico, seconded by L. Deubert. Motion carried. Action items updates were sent to the committee for review prior to the meeting. 2010 Chair: Margie Menard

- **Central Reference Library Plan 2009 Update** that was submitted as part of the MHLS Annual Report to NYS was reviewed by the committee.
 - A member survey of Central Library services will be developed to collect information to use in charting a future direction. *(see Action 1)*
 - Pathfinders will get more exposure. *(see Action 2)*
 - CBA in 2009 was spent across Dewey spectrum.
 - Competency development will be discussed. *(see Action 3)*
- **CLDA Budget**
 - Budget initially projected for 2010 was reviewed. Total amount needs to be adjusted down to \$170,000, cutting \$11,000. T. Lawrence will redo CLDA budget based on committee input. *(see Action 5)*
- **Central Library Training**
 - 2009 training sessions and attendance was reviewed.
 - 2010 training was discussed including changing the model of CL training. Ideas discussed included interactive webinars of 15-45 minutes that could be archived (maybe using Go to Meeting or NING) to reach staff at diverse times on a variety of reference based topics. Included was training a month in advance of the WOMM topics, April-Practice Tests, May-Mango languages, October-Chiltons, November-HeritageQuest. Also included would be personal visits to libraries on-demand and S. Hermans to go to one of each county meetings this year. *(see Action 6)*
- **Database Analysis**
 - Usage statistics were reviewed for Pricelt!, Chiltons, HeritageQuest, Testing & Education Reference Center, Mango, Bookletters
 - Due to overall decreasing usage the committee agreed to not renew Pricelt. *(see Action 7)*
- **Serials Linking**
 - Affect of not having Serials Solutions was discussed. This will be discussed again at the August committee meeting after NOVEL renewals are rolled out.
- **Collection Development**

- A member survey of collection development will be developed to establish a baseline point towards making sure the broadest collection is available. *(see Action 8)*
- Collection development guidelines at <http://www.mhl.org/about/policies/cd/formats/000s.htm> were pointed out to the committee.
- **OverDrive:**
 - Current collection development guidelines were reviewed by the committee. No changes are to be made at the current time. The committee agreed it is too early to consider adding eBooks as an additional format to the OverDrive digital collection. The standards are not compatible enough; RCLS has them in their OverDrive collection and is not finding them popular.
 - Statistics of use were reviewed.
- **Library Thing Shelf Browse**
 - This new feature was previewed by the committee.
- **BookLetters**
 - T. Lawrence will confirm that CL staff is reviewing the lists prior to them coming out. *(see Action 9)*
 - T. Lawrence will purchase the non-fiction titles not held from CBA funds.
- **Topics from ILL**
 - Topics collected by ILL requests were listed as possible underrepresented areas of the collective collection. CL staff will review the list for the next meeting to see which of these areas to recommend to the members to develop. *(see Action 10)*
- **Actions:**
 1. T. Lawrence will bring a draft to the next meeting of a member survey of Central Library services to collect information to use in charting a future direction.
 2. S. Hermans will send links to put on Midhudson.org, will advertise them on the list serves and put info into the Bulletin.
 3. T. Lawrence, J Cohen and M. Advocate will bring a draft plan of competence evaluation/development to the next meeting.
 4. M. Advocate will get renewal cost from HeritageQuest.
 5. T. Lawrence will redo CLDA budget asap based on committee input in order to meet the approval deadlines.
 6. MHLS and CL staff will meet to discuss how to create and archive the trainings and will bring a list to the next meeting of training topics.
 7. M. Advocate will tell Gale we are not renewing Pricelt!, will remove links to it and will inform members.
 8. M. Advocate, J. Cohen and T. Lawrence will meet to develop a draft collection development survey based on best practices for the next committee meeting.
 9. T. Lawrence will confirm that CL staff is reviewing BookLetter lists prior to them coming out.
 10. CL staff will review the list of topics from ILL for the next meeting to see which of these areas to recommend to the members to develop.

Recommended to Marketing & Program Advisory Committee: Investigate if HVReads link on the catalog looks only like graphic and may not be seen as a link to click on.

Merribeth Advocate