

MID-HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM

Central Library / Collection Development Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: March 20, 2012 Location: MHLS Conference Room

Committee members attending:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sally Alderdice (Columbia) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kathleen McLaughlin (Putnam) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Spann (Dutchess) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Giralico (Ulster) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gloria Goverman (Dutchess) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Margie Menard (Ulster) - Chair |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sue Ray (Greene) | |

MHLS Staff Attending: Merribeth Advocate, Eric McCarthy, Karen O'Brien

PPLD Staff Attending: Tom Lawrence, Deb Weltsch, Lauren Muffs

Approval of January (1/13/12) Minutes by J. Giralco, seconded by J. Spann.

Discussion Items:

1. CL Budget and Plan
 - T. Lawrence suggested using the restored State aid to purchase E-content and reduce the upcoming \$6,600 eBook charge to Libraries.
 - Committee recommended revising wording of 2012-2016 Central Library Plan's 'Element 4 – Reference Services' to reflect that this service is no longer funded by CLDA funds therefore member survey bullet point is no longer relevant
2. Training – D. Weltsch
 - Suggested topics for Spring/Summer staff training: Civil Service / OPAC / Millennium
 - Upcoming collection development topics: Travel, Elections, Law.
 - Tuesday's Tip - perhaps tweak language for those that might be distributed to patrons.
3. MHLS Databases
 - M. Advocate posted price chart for Chilton's, Teaching & Education Resource Center, Heritage Quest & Mango. T. Lawrence suggested looking into Ancestry.com rather than Heritage Quest. M. Advocate will compare costs.
4. Overdrive
 - Patrons submitting titles to consider buying is proving very popular
 - Discussed potential other sources of eBooks - for now OverDrive is best choice. Non-fiction becoming available through other vendors.
5. Next Reads
 - Fiction is the most popular genre
 - Not many new subscribers; publicity needs improvement
6. E-Audiobooks
 - M. Advocate said that the demand is static. Refer to Marketing Advisory Committee
7. WAM (Web Access Management) Statistics
 - Discussion: Individual Libraries do their own statistics rather than MH compiling list of all member libraries

Next Meeting: June 14, 2012 from 10-1, MH Conference Room

Submitted by Sue Ray