

**MID-HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM**  
**Central Library / Collection Development Advisory Committee Meeting**

**Date:** March 27, 2013

**Location:** MHLS Conference Room

**Committee members attending:**

Sally Alderdice (Columbia)  
 Julie Spann (Dutchess)  
 Gloria Goverman (Dutchess)  
 Sue Ray (Greene)

Kathleen McLaughlin (Putnam)  
 John Giralico (Ulster)  
 Margie Menard (Ulster) - Chair

**MHLS Staff Attending:** Merribeth Advocate, Mike Nyerges, Eric McCarthy

**Others Attending:** Tom Lawrence, Deb Weltsch, Lauren Muffs, PPLD

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January 2013 Minutes were reviewed and approved by J. Giralco, seconded by S. Alderdice.

**Discussion Items:**

1. **Central Library Training 2013:**
  - a. **Readers Advisory** – D. Weltsch reviewed upcoming Reader’s Advisory staff training in 5 locations in April. Upcoming ‘Reaching Readers’ workshop on May 29 will be presented by NovelList co-founder Duncan Smith.
  - b. **Essential Elements of Collection Development** - D. Weltsch will work with PPLD staff and MHLS staff Eric & Robert.
  - c. **Web Based Training:** Discussion of future Central Library training using GoToMeeting and/or YouTube.
2. **Tuesday’s Tips** – Discussion of future topics, requests for ideas, review of archives and how to make searching easier.
3. **Central Library Program / Updated 2013 Budget** – Draft Budget was distributed, discussion as to what to do with 4% increase in CLDA funds (approximately \$8,900). Consensus of the committee is to use it to reduce the member’s assessment.
4. **Central Library Program** - 2012 Central Library Plan of Service Progress Report, to be included in the MHLS Annual Report to the state was reviewed.
5. **Databases:**
  - a. NOVEL update: Access to Gale’s Business Insights ends 3/31/13. To continue to fund NOVEL, library systems will no longer receive LSTA Grants.
  - b. Job Now: Access funded by the state ends 4/30/13. Committee discussed how access could be funded and asked MHLS to pay for it for the coming renewal.
  - c. MHLS will investigate a resume builder that focuses on assisting people with low skill levels.

- d. Database Information Brochure distributed for feedback. S. Ray will email final version to all Libraries as a editable file so each can tweak as see fit.

**6. Overdrive**

- a. E-Book Patron Survey results: M. Advocate reviewed results for 101 MHLS eBook patrons, and compared it to national responses. Based on Survey feedback, M. Advocate raised the issue of adding a 21-day loan period for eBooks, committee discussed the pros and cons of such, and will discuss it further at the June committee meeting.
- b. Interface Upgrade will be 'live' on Friday, March 29, 2013
- c. Always Available EBook: collection ending in April 2013. Discussion to continue or find other options.
- d. Front Line Tech Support: M. Advocate got quote and is prohibitive

Next Meeting: Monday, June 10, 2013