

Central Library / Collection Development Advisory Committee meeting  
April 17, 2009

Attending: Sue Hermans, Tom Lawrence, John Giralico, Gloria Goverman, Greg Callahan, Kathleen McLaughlin, John Georghiou, Lauren Muffs, Patricia Kaufman, Josh Cohen, MerriBeth Advocate

Minutes approved by G. Callahan, seconded by J. Giralico. Action items were reviewed.

Collection Development:

- Issues discussed: How to determine underrepresented areas of the collection that need to be addressed. (See *Action 1 & 2*)

Budget 2009: (See *Action 3 - 6*)

- Committee reviewed the 2009 budget.
- CLDA funds were budgeted for a CLDA/member library database cost share for 2009 & 2010 including: Pricelt!, Chiltons, HertiageQuest Online, Mango, Gale Testing & Education Reference Center.
- CLDA funds were budgeted to pay fully for Serials Solutions, BookLetters, Syndetics & Wilson Catalogs.
- In addition LibraryThing for Libraries, a catalog enhancement, is being considered. It will be shown at the DA meeting. G. Goverman asked it be noted that not all Committee members were in favor of LibraryThing and that by presenting LibraryThing at the DA meeting, the Committee is not recommending it.
- CLDA funds were budgeted to pay for a Customer Service program by Karen Hyman on 10/1 from 1-4pm, and a fall Collection Development Day.

2009 training:

- Training from Central Library Staff
  - *Helping Patrons who are Searching for Jobs* in May/June by Deb Weltsch in 5 locations.
  - *Helping Students* database training. End Sept./early Oct. by Deb Weltsch in 2 locations
  - *OPAC* training. Nov./Dec. by Dan Matranga in 5 locations.
  - New workshop coming in Fall. A two hour overview of all the databases and how to train the public. (See *Action 7*)
- PowerPoint: Committee previewed a draft of a Chilton's kiosk advertisement done by D. Matranga and reported they are very happy with it. There will be more to see at the June meeting. (See *Action 8*)

Budget 2010

- Committee reviewed the 2010 budget.
- \$40,000 of CLDA funds were budgeted to applied to the bottom line of the 2010 member service fee charge.

Actions:

1. Central Library staff will prepare for the next meeting an analysis of Hudson River materials (in recognition of the Quadra Centennial). Other analysis suggested: titles underrepresented from Hudson Valley Press materials and Native American materials.
2. At the next meeting the committee will see a demo of Web Management Reports and what it offers for collection development.
3. A per-library breakdown of proposed database costs for 2009-10 will be added to the May DA packet.
4. M. Advocate will e-mail the list of LibraryThing examples to the committee.
5. At the May DA meeting show LibraryThing as a potential content replacement for Syndetics.
6. T. Lawrence & J. Cohen will reassess the current Central Reference Service Plan  
[http://www.midhudson.org/mhls/pos/2007\\_2011/Central\\_Library\\_Plan.pdf](http://www.midhudson.org/mhls/pos/2007_2011/Central_Library_Plan.pdf) before the next committee meeting to see if it needs to be redone .
7. At the June meeting Central Library staff will bring training plans for new workshop to be conducted in the fall: A two hour overview of all the databases and how to train the public with D. Matranga's PowerPoints.
8. At the June meeting Central Library staff will bring more PowerPoint database products to be reviewed by the committee.
9. Send to the Marketing & Program Advisory Committee: how to use the emails we collect from patrons for marketing.
10. Send to the Resource Sharing Advisory committee: added field in patron record for e-mail contact.
11. Send to Continuing Education / Professional Development Advisory Committee suggestion to offer training on 'how to run a meeting'
12. MHLS will research the possibility of running two catalogs, one without LibraryThing.

Upcoming meetings:

- Tuesday, June 16
- Monday, October 26

*Merribeth Advocate*