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, Eric McCarthy, Mike Nyerges, Liz Anastasi (intern)
PPLD Staff Attending: Tom Lawrence, Deb Weltsch, Lauren Muffs

Approval of March (3/14/12) minutes by J. Giralco, seconded by J. Spann.

Discussion Items:

1. Database Statistics were reviewed.
   - Ancestry.com is too costly to add at this time.
   - HeritageQuest offer to renew with Historical New York Times (1851-2006) at no additional cost is very attractive.
   - Projected 2013 databases costs will be included in September DA packet.
2. Overdrive Collection Development & Resource Allocation
   - The demand continues for popular fiction/romance/mystery; demand for Non-Fiction continues to be low.
   - Ebooks continue to be more popular than E-audiobooks
   - MHLS OverDrive Collection Development Guidelines were reviewed.
   - M. Advocate reported an average of $2,000 per month is remaining for new E-content.
   - M. Nyerges said we'll need to investigate our options as our Overdrive contract will expire in November; the final decision will be a matter for the Director's Association.
3. Member Survey Seeking Evaluative Input on Central Library Program
   - Committee reviewed and approved T. Lawrence draft.
   - M. Advocate will put into SurveyMonkey.
   - Will be sent to all member library Directors.

Next Meeting: September 18, 2012

Submitted by Sue Ray