

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

Date: 9/28/2011

Location: MHLS Auditorium

Committee members attending:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sally Alderdice (Columbia) | <input type="checkbox"/> Kathleen McLaughlin (Putnam) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Callahan (Dutchess) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Giralico (Ulster) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gloria Goverman (Dutchess) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Margie Menard (Ulster) - Chair |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Linda Deubert (Greene) | |

MHLS Staff Attending: Mike Nyerges, Merribeth Advocate, Laurie Shedrick

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

Minutes of 6/8/11 were approved by S. Alderdice and seconded by G. Goverman. Action items were reviewed.

Action Items:

1. M. Advocate will get a system-wide quote for BookLetters.
2. T. Lawrence will draft a 2012 budget and send out.
3. In 6 months committee will look at overall currency of MHLS medical collections.

Discussion Items:

1. **Tuesdays Tips:** weekly reference tips will be distributed through the listserv by Central Library staff. Committee agreed this is an excellent idea and will be very helpful for staff.
2. **BookLetters:** To attract more use of the existing collection, NextReads may be a better product for us than BookLetters is. Committee will compare features and prices. Next Reads subscription expires 5/12.
3. **Medical training sessions:** Coming this fall in several locations from Deb Weltsch. Will include best practices, effective searching of the medical database and list of 15-30 essential medical titles.
4. **Medical collection development:** Support for member library medical collection development coming from Central Library this fall. This is an essential area to keep current. Deb Weltsch will be attending county Directors Meetings with custom lists for each library of items recommended to weed, topped with a cover sheet explaining the project. In 6 months this will be looked at for effectiveness.
5. **Central Library Program Budget:** Committee looked at 2011 budget. Some contingency funds still are available. Discussion of how extra funds should be used. Listing of 2011 CBA purchases January through June was distributed.
6. **OverDrive:** Usage statistics and waiting lists were reviewed. We were experiencing high demand even before Kindle became compatible (9/26/11, after Kindle came live, was the highest daily checkout ever with 165 checkouts). Goal is to maximize the number of happy patrons. Committee reviewed the existing OverDrive Collection Development Guidelines and did not change them. Designated OverDrive funds as of 9/27/11 (to last until the end of March 2012) were \$20,556 (audio = \$11,408, eBook = \$9,148). Focus remaining spending on best sellers and popular materials, series completion in some instances, and purchasing additional copies of popular items when holds reach the lower end of the current 7-10 range.
7. **Databases:** Usage statistics were reviewed. JobNow is newly available to every library from NOVEL to help job seekers – in past 2 years committee members have seen a great increase in the number of patrons using library computers to look for jobs. TumbleBooks authentication was discussed.

Committee will meet again in October to discuss remaining agenda items including 2012 CLDA/CBA budget, Ask 24/7 as a system-wide service, music formats available to libraries. Date will be set with a Doodle poll.