

## Liaison Report to DA from MHLS Board Meeting

July 10, 2013

MHLS Auditorium

### Trustees Present:

X Baker Brill, Lisa (Greene)	X Morini, Regina (Putnam)
X Benton Profera, Caroline (Greene)	X Patterson, Roland (Dutchess)
X Bickford, John (Dutchess)	X Wilson, Mark (Columbia)
Conine, Bill (Greene)	X Ridgeway, Lynne (Ulster)
X Hoffmann, Peter (Ulster)	X Sameth, Myrna (Ulster)
X Mac Nish, Steve (Dutchess)	X Schnitzer, Janet (Columbia)
X Miller, Martin (Putnam)	X Tuttle, Jim (Columbia)
	X von Bergen, Camilla (Putnam)

**Staff Present:** Merribeth Advocate, Rebekkah Smith Aldrich, Robert Drake, Eric McCarthy, Mike Nyerges, Linda Vittone, Peggy Winn

**Liaisons Present:** Frank Rees (Kent)

**Others Present:** Lauren Muffs, Assistant Director, Poughkeepsie Public Library District

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### Presidents Report:

President Hoffmann welcomed the board and reported that Kinderhook Library Trustee, Mark Wilson, has received the endorsement of the Columbia County Directors Association to be considered for appointment to complete the fourth year of a five-year term vacated by Matthew Perry.

### Action Items:

- Appointed Mark Wilson (Columbia) to the Board.
- Minutes of May meeting approved.
- Financial Report for April & May 2013 accepted.
- Warrants for April 2013 accepted.
- Accepted the appointment of Tara Stohr to the position of full-time III/Cataloging Specialist.
- Accepted the appointment of Nina Acosta to the part-time position of Cataloging Specialist.
- Approved the E-rate Contracts.

### Discussion Items:

- 1) Executive Director Mike Nyerges
  - a) Reported that member libraries remain divided regarding the reinstatement of mileage reimbursement for MHLS staff and trustees. The consensus of the directors is that any decision should aim to equalize costs.
  - b) Reported that MHLS directs approximately 60% of its funds to member libraries.
- 2) Liaison Report, Frank Rees (Kent)
  - a) Presented his report from the June Directors Association meeting.
- 3) Personnel & Planning Committee Report, Mr. Bickford, Chair
  - a) Reviewed and approved revisions to the 2013 Organizational Chart.
- 4) Finance Committee Report, Ms. Morini, Chair
  - a) Discussed the 2013 revised budget and reinstatement of mileage reimbursement for system trustees and member library staff and trustees. The board then approved the revised 2013 budget as presented and that the reinstatement of mileage reimbursement for member library staff and MHLS Trustees be referred to the Personnel & Planning and Trustees Services committees for clarification.

*Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 19, 10:00 a.m., at the Mid-Hudson Library System Auditorium*

*Respectfully submitted by Frank Rees (Kent)*