

MHLS Director's Association
Special Meeting of Wednesday, January 8, 2014
MHLS Auditorium: 10:00 a.m.

RESOURCE SHARING ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Encore Licensing

- **Background:** A discovery tools subcommittee had been tasked with evaluation of Encore, an enhancement to our current OPAC, and their recommendation was for purchase. Encore uses RightResult to allow keyword results in the catalog to rank by popularity, as well as bring in databases and Overdrive account access. The way to make this affordable to member libraries is to use CLDA funds, which had been previously set aside for Boopsie. However, implementation of Boopsie would be more expensive if done before implementation of Encore.
- **Issue:** CLDA funds have already been approved for Boopsie. There is a time limit that the purchase price of Encore will be held (resulting in a savings of almost \$12K if done by mid-January).
- **Recommendation:** The recommendation of this committee is three-fold:
 1. Repeal the funding vote of Boopsie
 2. Approve the use of CLDA and other funds in such a manner that minimizes impact to member library budgets in order to purchase Encore by the reduced price deadline (\$42875/year with an initial \$2500 setup fee).
 3. Revisit Boopsie or alternate mobile app once Encore is in place.