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MHLS Directors' Association
Minutes of Meeting – Friday, July 8, 2011

Attendance

(37 Member Libraries, 4 MHLS Staff, 3 Guests (BroDart))

Columbia County

Chatham:
Claverack: Alderdice
Germantown: Place
Hillsdale:
Hudson: Fleming
Kinderhook:
Livingston:
New Lebanon:
North Chatham: Kurashige
Philmont:
Valatie: Powhida

Dutchess County

Amenia:
Beacon: Keaton
Beekman: Rodriguez
Clinton: Sennett
Dover Plains:
East Fishkill: Goverman
Fishkill:
Hyde Park:
LaGrange: Karim
Millbrook: Rogers
Millerton: Leo
Pawling: Jarzombek
Pine Plains:
Pleasant Valley: Pulice
Poughkeepsie: Lawrence
Red Hook: Freudenberger
Rhinebeck: Cook
Rhinecliff: Meyer
Staatsburg: Rothman
Stanford: Christensen
Tivoli:
Wappingers: Gonzalez

Greene County

Athens:
Cairo:
Catskill: Ray
Coxsackie: Deubert
Greenville:
Haines Falls:
Hunter:
Windham:

Putnam County

Brewster:
Carmel:
Cold Spring: Thorpe
Garrison: Donick
Kent: Rees
Mahopac:
Patterson: Haar
Putnam Valley: McLaughlin

Ulster County

Esopus:
Highland: Kelsall-Dempsey
Hurley:
Kingston: Menard
Marlboro: Cosgrove
Milton: Ricciardone
New Paltz:
Phoenicia: Priest
Pine Hill: Certain
Plattekill:
Rosendale:
Saugerties: Goswami
Stone Ridge:
Ulster: Johnson
West Hurley: Lustiber
Olive-West Shokan:
Woodstock: Raff

MHLS Staff

Nyerges
Advocate
Shedrick
Aldrich

Call to Order: Chair Kelsall called the meeting order at 10:00 a.m.

Action Items

1. **Approval of Minutes – June 2, 2011:** Cook moved, Haar seconded and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Reports

1. **MHLS Reports**

a. **Executive Director:** Nyerges reviewed his printed report distributed prior to the meeting.

b. **Consultants**

i. **Merribeth Advocate:** See report in DA packet.

ii. **Rebekkah Smith Aldrich:** See report in DA packet. Other information shared included:

1. Special district public libraries are urged to call the NYS Office of the State Comptroller to go on record as asking for assistance in clarifying how the cap will apply to their specific budgetary/levy issues. It is hoped that through a concerted effort by all such libraries, OSC will clarify aspects of the new tax cap legislation that are unclear vis-à-vis libraries.

iii. **Laurie Shedrick:** See report in DA packet.

1. An issue of requiring the manual removal and inspection of each DVD and CD at check-in was referred to the Resource Sharing Advisory Committee.
2. The group's consensus was to go live with the OPAC revisions (found at www.gigcat.midhudson.com:2082) on August 1.
3. A Migration (to Innovative's Sierra) Committee was appointed. Members are Lawrence, Cook, Goswami, Kelsall-Dempsey, Thorpe, and Goverman.
4. BookLetters has recently completed an upgrade, resulting in some malfunctioning. They are on this and issues will soon be corrected.

2. **MHLS Board Liaison:** No MHLS Board of Trustees meeting to report.

3. **Advisory Committees**

- a. Central Library/Collection Development: Minutes of June 8 were reviewed. Directors should send Central Library non-fiction material purchase requests to Lauren Muffs, PPLD Assistant Director for Public Services at lmuffs@poklib.org.
- b. Continuing Education/Professional Development: Did not meet.
- c. Marketing: Minutes of June 8 were reviewed.
- d. Resource Sharing: Did not meet.
- e. System Services Advisory Committee: Did not meet.
- f. Free Direct Access Committee: Minutes of June 21 were reviewed.

Old Business

1. **August DA Meeting:** The consensus was to NOT meet in August. The next meeting of the DA will be on Thursday, September 8.
2. **OPAC Demo:** Shedrick reviewed the enhancements made to the OPAC. There were some additional suggestions. As previously mentioned, the group asked that the new OPAC go live on August 1.

New/Proposed Business & Information

1. **MHLS ILL Service Proposed Changes:** The subject agenda attachment was reviewed and then referred to the next DA meeting agenda as an Action Item.
2. **MHLS Plan of Service (2012 – 2016):** This item was reviewed and then referred to the next DA meeting agenda as an Action Item.
3. **Central Library Plan (2012 – 2016):** This item was reviewed and then referred to the next DA meeting agenda as an Action Item.
4. **Weeded Items from Wappingers Schools:** Gonzalez reported that there are over 200 books of discarded items from the Wappingers Schools libraries for the taking. Anyone interested should see her.

Guests: Representatives from BroDart were on hand to provide a brief demonstration of BibZII (their version of B & T's TS3). Packets were distributed and questions answered. Shedrick reported that MHLS has the loader table for BibZII. BibZII is a free service from BroDart.

Adjournment: At 12:00 p.m., Gonzalez moved, Fleming seconded, and it was **VOTED** to adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting of the MHLS Directors' Association is scheduled for **Thursday, September 8** beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Tom Lawrence, Secretary
Poughkeepsie Public Library District

Future Meeting Dates

Monday, August 1 (CANCELLED)
Monday, October 3
Wednesday, November 9
Friday, December 2