

MID-HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM
Resource Sharing Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: 4/16/13

Location: MHLS Auditorium

Committee members attending:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sally Alderdice & Karen Garafalo
(Columbia) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeanne Buck (Putnam) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daniela Pulice (Dutchess) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Dempsey (Ulster) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carol Rodriguez (Dutchess) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelly Tomaseski (Ulster) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Linda Deubert (Greene) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric McCarthy (MHLS) |

Staff Attending: Karen O'Brien, Mike Nyerges, Merribeth Advocate

Others Attending: Tom Lawrence (PPLD), Janet Huen (PPLD), Laurie Shedrick (III)

Action Items:

1. After realizing that no one had done the one action item on the list from the prior meeting, the committee decided to really read over the Resource Sharing Guidelines Document and be prepared to point out any need for clarification and consistency at the next meeting.
2. The Resource Sharing Guidelines document, section 3B, needs to be amended to read that MHLS has the authority to delete order records (and any holds association with) either older than 12 months or not due to be published for 12 months.
3. Laurie Shedrick spent time with the group demonstrating a new product, Encore EDS, which would be available later on and would perform a unified search of all system holdings, bringing in even ebooks and database articles, a kind of federated search. Tom said he would meet with Mike regarding a pricing option when the product is available.
4. Laurie then showed us Sierra Everywhere, a nifty Sierra tablet app that would allow circulation in the stacks, including filing holds. Much interest was evinced for when the product was finally ready.
5. Laurie then pointed out that our system's InAppreciation points were going to expire at the end of the week and so they would have to be spent immediately, on system add-ons that would not generate any maintenance fees. The short list became QuickClick, a product that allows member libraries to import order records themselves rather than having to transfer carts to MHLS, Patron Registration Online, which may or may not be available, and then, if points were still available, the Collection Agency module followed by Patron Images, which allows you to put a picture of the patron in their record.

Discussion Items:

1. "Out of the box" date a.k.a processing time allowed was discussed. It was noted that some libraries, either through ignorance or a deliberate attempt to not lend items with holds to other libraries without giving their patrons a chance to check out first, were keeping items in processing either longer than the 2 weeks agreed upon or changing the status to bindery or on display. It was decided that reminding the DA that in processing time was agreed upon to two weeks and the final step in adding an item to the collection is checking it in, in order that it will clear in processing status and fill any existing holds.

2. There had been a request by some libraries to consider not lending video games on system hold. The committee feels that due to the transient nature of the medium, there is no need to craft an exception at this time.
3. The committee discussed the migration to Sierra and system readiness. The target will be sometime in February and before then a plan will be drafted to visit libraries that feel they need individual attention.
4. As tv shows become more popular on dvd, there is a push for multi-disc sets to be allowed a longer than one week loan period. Therefore the committee would like to urge the DA to consider using the material type Long Loan DVD for items with multiple discs (due dates and fine structure to be set by individual libraries).
5. The question of renewal overriding and who should do it was discussed. The committee decided that whether the requesting library or patron did the phone call to the owning library was each library's prerogative.
6. The committee will add to its next month's agenda a review of items disappearing of the holdshelf, a review of items disappearing in transit, and a review of member library renewal matrixes.