

MID-HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM
System Services Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: July 24, 2013

Location: MHLS Auditorium

Committee members attending:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sally Alderdice (Columbia) | <input type="checkbox"/> Debra Kamecke (Greene) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karen Garafalo (Columbia) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patti Haar (Putnam) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Erica Freudenberger (Dutchess) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frank Rees (Putnam) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carol Rodriguez (Dutchess) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Dempsey (Ulster) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Linda Deubert (Greene) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Faith Johnson (Ulster) |

Staff Attending: Mike Nyerges, Merribeth Advocate, Linda Vittone

Others Attending: Tom Lawrence (PPLD)

Action Items:

1. Motion by K. Garafalo to appoint Frank Rees chair. Second S. Alderdice. Motion carried 9 Yes 0 No
2. Tom will get final 2014 assessment done and sent out.
3. Consensus of the group is to ask Eric to change the dates for running the circ figures.

Discussion Items:

1. Review of Committee's Mission: To Represent MHLS Member library interests by collaborating with System staff and Board in determining services and how they are funded.
Suggested Activities: Review and recommend changes in member services
Review and recommend changes in member assessments
Assist in the evaluation of System services
2. Merribeth reviewed brief history of reason for creation of System Funding Task Force and work done. Task Force was formed in 2008 to propose a fee structure for funding in 2010 and beyond. Previously MHLS had used their fund balance to meet needs without fees to the members.
3. Reviewed revised 2014 member assessment.
4. Goal for MHLS BOT to adopt member assessment fee in July for following year. While MHLS bottom line did not change member fees may vary depending on circ figures and population. Currently assessment adopted in July is tentative. The final is adopted in January after getting circ figures to use in the 3 years average. Suggestion to try and get figures on a July 1 – June 30 year so the assessment adopted in July would be final. Group will meet again after Sept meeting will review information from Jan breakout session and discuss if we want to have more breakout sessions during DA meetings.

Motion to adjourn T. Lawrence. Second J. Dempsey

Next Meeting: Sept. 9 2013

Minutes recorded by Julie Dempsey