MHLS Directors’ Association
Minutes of Meeting – Thursday, May 7, 2015

Attendance

Columbia County
Chatham: Delisle
Claverack: Alderdice
Germantown:
Hillsdale:
Hudson: Chameides
Kinderhook: Giraldo
Livingston:
New Lebanon: Bogino
North Chatham:
Philmont: Garafalo
Valatie: Powhida

Dutchess County
Amenia:
Beacon: Verdibello
Beekman: Rodriguez
Clinton: Graves
Dover Plains: Totter
East Fishkill: Governor
Fishkill:
Hyde Park: Callahan
LaGrange: Potwin
Millbrook: Harrison
Millerton: Leo
Pawling: Conlin
Pine Plains:
Pleasant Valley: Pulice
Poughkeepsie: Lawrence
Red Hook: Feudenberger
Rhinebeck: Cook
Rhinecliff: Meyer
Staatsburg: Rothman
Stanford: Christensen
Tivoli:
Wappingers:

Greene County
Athens:
Cairo:
Catskill:
Coxsackie: Deubert
Greenville:
Haines Falls:
Hunter:
Windham:

Putnam County
Brewster:
Carmel:
Cold Spring: Thorpe
Garrison:
Kent: Donick
Mahopac: Capozzella
Patterson: Haar
Putnam Valley:

Ulster County
Esopus: Dittmar
Highland:
Hurley:
Kingston: Menard
Marlboro: Jennerich
Milton: Skelly
New Paltz: Giraldo
Phoenicia:
Pine Hill:
Plattekill: Georgiou
Rosendale:
Saugerties:
Stone Ridge:
Ulster: Priest
West Hurley: Lustiber
West Shokan: Scott-Childess
Woodstock:

MHLS Staff
Advocate
Aldrich
Drake
Sloan

Call to Order: Chair Pro Tem Alderdice called the meeting order at 10:00 a.m.

Action Items

1. Approval of Minutes – April 8, 2015: Cook moved, Lawrence seconded, and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Table Talk: The event lasted 20 minutes on the topic of implementing change with your staff. Information was collected for future reporting back to the full DA.

Reports

1. MHLS Reports
   a. Executive Director: Sloan reviewed his printed report distributed prior to the meeting. Advocate articulated some specifics related to the Moving Forward Assessment of Correctional Facilities. Additionally, Sloan focused her verbal report on written report items 3(A)(3) – Report of Member Services Fees and 5(C) – Special Legislative Project Grants
   b. Consultants
      i. Merribeth Advocate: See report in DA packet. Several workshops on weeding are upcoming.
      ii. Rebekkah Smith Aldrich: See report in DA packet. She focused her verbal remarks on written report items 1 – Bullet Aid requests.
      iii. Robert Drake: See report in DA packet. He commented on written report item 2 – Reddit and 5 -weighting of items when displayed in the OPAC.

2. MHLS Board Liaison: Lawrence provided a verbal report of the May 5 meeting of the MHLS Trustees in Hillsdale.

3. Advisory Committees
   a. Central Library/Collection Development: See minutes in DA packet. Menard reviewed them and Lawrence answered questions about database funding and the funding of Syndetics.
   b. Continuing Education/Professional Development: Scheduled to meet Wednesday, May 27.
   d. Resource Sharing: Scheduled to meet Friday, May 22.
e. System Services: Will schedule a meeting for July.

Old Business

1. Proposed DA By-Laws Revisions: Prior to the meeting, Rees distributed via email the proposed modifications to the DA By-Laws. Further, they were available at the DA meeting. Initial comments were solicited. This constitutes the first reading of the modifications with DA action scheduled for its meeting in June.

New/Proposed Business & Information

1. 2016 Estimate of E-Resources: The table was distributed with the call to meeting. Vote on adopting the charges will happen at the DA meeting in June.

2. Demo of eCommunications Page: Aldrich gave a quick demonstration of the contents of the new eCommunications page (found under About MHLS on midhudson.org).

Adjournment: At 11:45 a.m., Garafalo moved, Giraldo seconded, and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting of the MHLS Directors’ Association is scheduled for Tuesday, June 2 at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Tom Lawrence, Secretary Pro Tem
Poughkeepsie Public Library District