

MID-HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM
Resource Sharing Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: 10/22/20

Location: Virtual

Committee members attending:

- Julie DeLisle (Columbia)
- Tammy Gaskell (Columbia)
- Brian Avery (Dutchess)
- Rhiannon Leo-Jameson (Dutchess)
- Sam Gruber (Greene)

- Debra Kamecke (Greene)
- Jeanne Buck (Putnam)
- Deirdre Farabaugh (Putnam)
- Katie Scott-Childress (Ulster)
- Darren Lanspery (Ulster)

Staff Attending: Laurie Shedrick (MHLS)

Others Attending:

Jennifer Grounds – D.R. Everts Library (Athens, NY)

Minutes from 8/6/20 meeting reviewed and approved by Brian Avery, seconded by Tammy Gaskell
All in favor

Discussion Items:

1. Missing component/ Damaged Item Policy and Procedure – Group agreed to run another test on items with multiple holds. Laurie will setup five test records. Two with multiple holds. After November first she will send out a survey to gauge groups thoughts on the process. Jeanne will then determine next steps. Laurie will send out an e-mail to other consortia in the northeast to see how they are handling missing and damaged items.
2. Program Registration module – The feedback received from all the counties is not to go ahead with the implementation of this module.
3. Alias Field – Libraries have requested an alias field for the addition of an additional first name. This will be used for patrons who use two names or variations on a name. This will be able to be used on notices and other templates.
Recommendation - Include the Alias field to be used optionally in the patron record, providing the ability to store a preferred name and/or an alternative name to use in notices and other templates. – All were in favor
4. Change Material Type from “Periodical” to Magazine – Mid Hudson suggests changing material type for some items to magazine from periodical. This change will increase the ease of searching for the layman for magazines. The group put together a list of pros and cons related to this process and will present them to the individual counties. They will report back at the next meeting on the feedback provided.

Rhiannon called an end to the meeting at 11:57 am

To include in DA Business Meeting Agenda Attachment as New/Proposed Business & Information:

- **Title: Addition of Alias field to patron Record**
- **Background:** The patron record currently has a standard name field for patrons. It is possible to include an additional field called the "Alias" . This field, when present can allow patrons to have a preferred name.
- **Issue:** We currently do not have the Alias field. We do not have a field to retain the patron preferred name or "alias" in the record.
- **Recommendation:** Include the Alias field to be used optionally in the patron record, providing the ability to store a preferred name and/or an alternative name to use in notices and other templates.
- **Status:** Discussed at 10/22/20 RSAC item. Agenda Action Item for 11/12/20 DA