

MHLS Directors' Association
Minutes of Meeting – Tuesday, April 5, 2011

Attendance

Columbia County

Chatham: Sabin-Kildiss
Claverack: Alderdice
Germantown:
Hillsdale: Briggs
Hudson: Fleming
Kinderhook:
Livingston:
New Lebanon: Bogino
North Chatham: Kurashige
Philmont:
Valatie: Powhida

Dutchess County

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

Greene County

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

MHLS Staff

Nyerges
Advocate
Shedrick
Aldrich

Putnam County

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

Ulster County

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

Call to Order: Chair Kelsall called the meeting order at 10:02 a.m.

Action Items

1. **Approval of Minutes – March 2, 2011:** Cook moved, Fleming seconded and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.
2. **Missing Parts – No Holds:** Rodriguez moved, Raff seconded and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to add the following wording to the MHLS Resource Sharing Standards: *Items missing parts should not be used to fill holds but may be retained in a library's collection. The item's call number should reflect this (MISSING PARTS – NO HOLDS).*
3. **Collection Agency Fees:** Goverman moved, Lawrence seconded and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to add the following wording to the MHLS Resource Sharing Standards: *Collection agency fees should be paid in full – no partial payments. NOTE: Libraries should not remove the M-block "in collections". This will be done by the owning library.* Once the fee has been paid, libraries may override the block until it is removed by the system or the library that placed the block.
4. **Approval of Revised OverDrive Collection Development Guidelines:** Cook moved, Fleming seconded and it was **VOTED 39-0-1; Giralico abstaining**) to approve the OverDrive Collection Development Guidelines as revised by the Central Library/Collection Development Committee on 3/4/11.

Reports

1. MHLS Reports

- a. **Executive Director:** Nyerges reviewed his printed report distributed prior to the meeting. Priest gave an update on conditions at the Phoenicia Library following the fire.
- b. **Consultants**
 - i. **Merribeth Advocate:** See report in DA packet. Other information shared included:
 1. Information on upcoming book banquets was provided. The events offer networking opportunities among a county's public and school librarians.
 2. PDFs of programs and continuing education events are linked through the event's listing on the MHLS calendar.
 - ii. **Rebekkah Smith Aldrich:** See report in DA packet. Other information shared included:

1. Library supporters are urged to send thank you letters to legislators for their support of library funding and library-related causes.
 2. Between the cuts in the new state budget and the addition of the supplemental aid, it appears that MHLS will reduce its use of reserve funds by \$9,000 this year..
 3. The LTA (Library Trustees Association) annual conference is set for April 29 and 30 at the Albany Crowne Plaza.
 4. A question was received about cyber insurance. Libraries are reminded to be sure that the current Internet policy is on the SAM system and that, if possible, libraries should have a flash page on a WiFi login.
- iii. **Laurie Shedrick:** See report in DA packet. Other information shared included:
1. 2d scanner Action Memo coming out. Price will be about \$300 per scanner.
 2. Based on member requests, Shedrick will book an Innovative demonstration of the self-check kiosk for an upcoming (possibly next) DA meeting.
2. **MHLS Board Liaison:** DA Liaison Freudenberger reviewed her written report included in the DA packet.
3. **Advisory Committees**
- a. Central Library/Collection Development: Committee Chair Menard reviewed the written report included in the DA packet.
 - b. Continuing Education/Professional Development: Meeting scheduled for May 12.
 - c. Marketing: Committee Member Bogino reviewed the written report included in the DA packet.
 - d. Resource Sharing: Meeting scheduled for May 9.
 - e. System Services Advisory Committee: Meeting scheduled for June 21 at 10:30 a.m.
 - f. Free Direct Access Committee: The DA reviewed and discussed the proposed modifications to the System's FDA Plan. Input received from the discussion will be used by the Committee as it finalizes the draft plan (at a meeting to be held immediately following).

Old Business

1. **Green County Member to System Services Committee:** Ray (Catskill) has volunteered to fill the position.
2. **eBooks – HarperCollins Boycott:** There was insufficient interest in this type of action; however, there was a desire on the membership to see MHLS advocate with HarperCollins to rethink its position as well as to reduce the cost of additional copies of econtent after an initial purchase.

New/Proposed Business & Information

1. **Innovative Self-Service Checkout:** Vendor demonstration to be scheduled
2. **MHLS 2012 – 2016 Free Direct Access Plan Draft:** See report of discussion above.

Adjournment: At 11:40 a.m., Cook moved, Tomaseski seconded, and it was **VOTED** to adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting of the MHLS Directors' Association is scheduled for Tuesday, May 3 beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Tom Lawrence, Secretary
Poughkeepsie Public Library District

Future Meeting Dates

Tuesday, May 3 (Foundation for Hudson Valley Libraries meets after DA meeting)
Thursday, June 2
Friday, July 8
Monday, August 1 (subject to cancellation)
Thursday, September 8
Monday, October 3
Wednesday, November 9
Friday, December 2