

OCM BOCES SCHOOL LIBRARY SYSTEM

COUNCIL MEETING

LOCATION: OCM BOCES Rodax 8

Monday, March 26, 2012

Minutes

Council

Present: Donna Fountain – Cazenovia; Linda Liewellyn - Homer; Chris Nelson - North Syracuse; Heather Turner - Solvay; Renee Hill – SU; Deidre Joyce – CLRC; Monica Norton – Salina Free Library;

Absent: Chair, RJ DeLisle – Baldwinsville; Deb Abbott- W Genesee; Cathleen Hendrick - Bishop Grimes; Kay Budmen – Liverpool and Steve Garraffo - Liverpool

- **Approval – Oct 13th minutes** – Heather T. and Chris N.
- **System Topics**

SLS State Budget: School Library System funding (Operational and Automation) was received. A total from SED/DLD was \$189,615. Initial Service Request from district funds for 2012-13 services are stable and slightly less than the 2011-12 final service request forms. The SLS along with districts are still investigating the Digital Earth Science Curriculum Portal as a means for delivering instruction. Hopefully the SLS will continue to offer the Virtual Core Library from Gale for members at a slightly higher price than 2011-12.

LSTA grant – \$5,470, April 2012-March 2013, Improved Access for School Librarians and PD – SLS has applied for the LSTA grant, which will be used create a portal for librarians to view and retrieve their user name and passwords directly. It will also pay for the Common Core and Mathematics workshop in August 2012 and for Mary to develop 3 workshops on common core and APPR over the next year.

Administrator/Advocate of the Year Award – In December, the nomination forms were sent out. The due date is February 17th and SLS is counting on a number of applications for this worthy recognition.

Library Automation Services: A few districts have requested a proposal for Destiny library software. SLS staff has met with Destiny representatives to create a solution that meets SLS and district needs. Proposals will be going out to districts in March.

An initiative to **ReThink, ReTool and ReInvent** the school library program is to purchase eBooks at the regional level. **eBooks K-8** – The 140 e-books purchased from Rosen (science, health and internet safety) for the region are ready for student use. SLS continues to negotiate with vendors to bring a range of eBooks to our schools that are aligned to the common core standards. Presently SLS 6-8 eBook committee selected 132 mostly non-fiction titles from Marshall Cavendish. The 3-5 eBook committee selected 20 Capstone Interactive eBooks. They are part of the SLS Professional Collection and MARC records have been sent out. All titles can be imported into each local school catalog.

- **Professional Development**
- **SLS Fall Conference**- Feedback was favorable
- **E-knowledge workshops on Common Core** –E-Knowledge workshops are scheduled the morning before the CC meetings. November 16 workshop on **The Learning Commons IS the Common Core!** with Lynn Radicello from CI&A was excellent according to evaluations. Additional workshops 1/10 & 3/7.
- **eBook Symposium Series** - Chris Harris, Director of SLS at Genesee Valley BOCES, presented on December 7th, to discuss eBooks, the implications, policies and procedures to consider. This is a first in a 3 part series on e-books and moving into a more robust digital content environment.
- **Learning Commons Bootcamp** – David Loertscher workshop on June 1st at Marcellus HS which has revamped its physical space and library program.
- **SSL/NYLA Spring Conference** –May 3-5. SLS will provide a few grants for registration and hotel accommodations for members to attend. Applications will be going out shortly. John Brock SED, Sue Kowalski ESM, Mary and I will be presenting a double session on Innovation.
- **SLS Goals 2011/2012** – Rethink, Retool, Reinvent- 1) Common Core Standards and Libraries, 2) eBooks and the implementation, shift of non-fiction to a digital format, 3) Library Commons initiative, 4) APPR for school librarians. Each goal was discussed with considerations and directions from members.
- **Plan of Service 2011-2016** – The Plan of Service draft was reviewed and discussed. It is developed from the annual survey results, member feedback and the Council.