

Combined Council/Communication Coordinator Meeting  
Wednesday, May 8, 2013  
12:45pm – 2:45pm  
Minutes

**I. Welcome & Introductions**

Marcie Mann called the meeting to order at 12:45.

Introduced Mary Beth Farr, NYSED DLD and Lisa Czirr, Librarian, SUNY Cortland

**II. Approval of the February 26<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting minutes (posted on SLS website sls.ocmboces.org)**

1<sup>st</sup> RJ DeLisle 2<sup>nd</sup> Heather Turner All Approved

Approval of the March 12<sup>th</sup> Communication Coordinator Meeting minutes (posted on SLS website sls.ocmboces.org)

1<sup>st</sup> Leslie Savage 2<sup>nd</sup> Heather Turner All Approved

**III. SLS System Topics**

**Mary Beth Farr, NYSED DLD** – updates from Albany, Summer Reading Program – Dig Into Reading  
We are awaiting an announcement from Bernie Margolis, State Librarian, re: NOVELny databases for Fall 2013.

❖ **SLS Updates**

- Staffing: Anne Dallalah has taken a new position at N. Syracuse CSD (Main Street School). We are pleased that Teresa Joy will fill in again as needed until a replacement can be hired.

❖ **Annual Survey:** will be online and available by June 1. We will send out an email when it is ready to roll. Thank you in advance for your response.

❖ **Final Service Commitments**

- Please complete building information for us TODAY. FSCs with District Certification are in your folders. Only 8 districts returned the FSCs this year, so we will initiate a new and more effective procedure for next year. Target date for SLS to order online products is June 15.

❖ **Mini-Grants:** Please get your paperwork in ASAP, so we can process POs to districts. We are under end of the year deadlines to do this. Thank you for your attention to that.

❖ **Jeff Craig, ISS updates**

- There will be no OCM/Oswego SLS merger this year, although the concept is a valid one. OCM will still consider a merger in the future. The details of the execution would need serious consideration and would take some time to work out.
- “TQLP” grant money is available through SUNY Cortland for a 2 day summer event designed for librarians and content area teachers, using authentic non-fiction texts including databases already available to them.
- Board of Regents recommends a research paper for graduation from HS. We are truly entering the “Golden Age of the Research Paper”.

❖ **Presentation: Lisa Czirr, SUNY Cortland, LISTK16** (Librarians Impacting Student Teachers K16)

- Committee members: Mary Panek, Mary Gotham, Karen Fenner, Tina Nabinger, Mary Tiedemann, Lisa Czirr, Marcie Mann
- The goal of LISTK16 is to provide pre-service teachers with access to librarians and services in their school placements i.e. “how to work with your school librarian” or “what can your school librarian can do for you?”
  - Call for volunteers for the group. Answering the call: Renee Hill, Leslie Savage, Autumn Meldrim, Heather Turner, Deb Abbott

❖ **Library Automation**

Discussion of local subject fields (690a) and the title series field (440 and 490). There is a lack of consistency among vendors in what they use for title series. This is important for student success in searching for series’ titles.

❖ **Follett Destiny 2013**

- SLS now offers Follett as an additional choice for automation. Solvay will be coming on as a pilot district in 2013-14. Follett will be on the COSER for the 2014-15 budget year.
- ❖ **Final Update on Automation Issues**  
Our hard look at automation issues this year identified a need for more/improved training and improved connectivity. As a result our Mandarin catalogs will be moved from Mandarin servers in FLA to the RIC over the summer. Mandarin users should see an improvement in connectivity with this move. We will also work on training in the districts in the coming year.
- ❖ **Cataloging and the Common Core**
  - Begin to think about a visual search for your Mandarin catalogs. This creates easier access for students and teachers and is customized to individual school collections. The first step to prepare for creating visual searches is to identify categories of titles and by to weed your collections.
- ❖ **Presentation: Marilyn Natke, LMS Chittenango Middle School**
  - Common Core Aligned unit “Teaching History Through Literature”
  - Marilyn shared the unit plans she and Chittenango Middle School Teachers, Mrs. Schultheis (Social Studies), Ms. Rife (ELA) developed this spring. The plan Marilyn presented was based on Margaret Peterson Haddix’s book *Uprising*. They created a very detailed, aligned unit that Marilyn shared with us. Find it here:  
<http://www.chittenangoschools.org/teacherpage.cfm?teacher=1525>  
Thank you to Marilyn for this excellent professional development session.
- ❖ **Council Membership**
  - Thank you to Council members for their service. A big thank you to RJ DeLisle for his leadership. Thank you to Cathleen Hendrick for her service. Cathleen will be stepping down and we are seeking new members to fill expiring terms. Communication Coordinators, please make Council recommendations. Expiring terms: 1 non-public, 1 academic, 2 public component
- ❖ **Professional Development**
  - Olga Nesi date change to Aug. 15 & 16 @ Madison-Oneida SLS
  - Nov. 4, 2013 - Fall Conference

Theme: Meeting Students Where They Learn”. Format will be 4 sessions with 3 – 4 choices/session. LibraryGirl, Jennifer LaGarde, is keynoter. Starting at 8:15 and ending at 3:15. Vendors will offer 20 minute sessions on how their products align with the Common Core.
- ❖ **Other:**
  - Leslie Savage asked for RFPs for SSL/NYLA Conference April 2014
  - Marcie Mann offered personal thanks for the kind support during her interim term.
  - Best wishes to Ira Tobak in his new position as a retiree!
- ❖ **2013 – 2014 Meeting dates**
  - Council Meetings: Thurs. (NOTE DAY) Oct. 3, Wed., Jan. 22, Wed. March 5, Wed., May 14
  - CC Meetings: DATE CHANGE – Tues. Sept. 10 – Orientation and Refresher, Wed. Nov. 20, Wed. Feb. 26, Wed. April 30, Wed. May 14.

Marcie called for the meeting to adjourn at 2:45pm  
1<sup>st</sup> RJ Delisle 2<sup>nd</sup> Heather Turner