OCM BOCES SCHOOL LIBRARY SYSTEM
Communication Coordinators Meeting

Wednesday, September 29, 2010
12:45 – 3:15 P.M. Location: CNYRIC Conference Rooms 1 & 2

Minutes

I. Welcome & Introductions – Judi welcomed all and introduced new Communication Coordinators.

Communication Coordinator

Present: Justin Ashworth, Baldwinsville; Kathy Elliott, Cazenovia; Martha Tuning, Cincinnatus; Jessamyn Cantrell, Chittenango; Kimberly Hayden, Cortland; Ira Tobak, DeRuyter; Tina Nabinger, East Syracuse; Karin Ripka for Fabius Pompey; Linda Freytag, Fayetteville-Manlius; Kathy Ballard for Homer; Cynthia Dudczak, Jamesville-Dewitt; Tammy McDougal, Marathon; Steve Nabinger, Marcellus; Rebecca Cornell, McGraw; Marcie Mann, LaFayette; Kay Budman, Liverpool; Darci LaRose, North Syracuse; Ellen Pristash, Onondaga; Ro Novembrini, Solvay; Autumn Meldrim, Tully; Karen Shull, CBA; Roseann Sunser, Holy Cross;

SLS: Judi Dzikowski, Mary Tiedemann, Sue Camille

Absent: Jackie Derouchie, Lynchourt; Jane Rose, West Genesee; Sherry Luchansky, St. Mary (Cortland); Lisa Morrison, Manlius Pebble Hill; Linda Hart, Holy Family; Donna Alcott, Immaculate Conception; Sue Muray, St. Charles, Kelly McCann, St. Mary (B’ville); Susan Borello, St. Margaret’s; Sr. Mary Jogues, St. Rose of Lima; Judy Gianforte, Montessori School; Cathleen Hendrick, Bishop Grimes; Parker O’Mara, Bishop Ludden; Karen Shull, CBA; Roseann Sunser, Holy Cross;

II. Approval – May 12, 2010 CC minutes: Ellen Pristash, first; Kimberly Hayden, second; unanimously accepted

III. System Topics

- SED Budget – Judi reviewed budget status. A portion of the State funding is locked until April 2011 (some aid is not being released). SLS will continue to provide professional development but will be unable to offer mini grants for 2010/11. CCs were reminded to plan their spending with the possibility in mind that funds may be frozen later in the school year. However, funds used to purchase services through BOCES are not frozen.

- SLS Website – Judi reviewed the new SLS web page. Further changes are coming for the page and the entire OCM website. We appreciate your comments.

- Procedures and Responsibilities – SLS procedures (data sheets, directory, statistics, etc.) and Council/Communication Coordinator responsibilities were briefly reviewed.

- 2010 Fall Conference – Oct. 28, 2010. Dr. Ross Todd, keynote speaker, will present on evidence based practice. Deborah Taylor will be the featured speaker. For registration, most districts have put aside money into the Fall Conference CoSer. SLS needs just one registration form per district sent in, rather than separate forms for each school. The registration forms are posted on the SLS website for download.

- Library Media Connection Article – Judi showed “The Data Driven Library” article, LMC Aug/Sept. issue, which she, Mary Tiedemann, and Justin Ashworth co-authored.

- Web 2.0 Gaming & Tools – CCs were reminded of the availability of gaming and electronic tools in the OURS catalog. SLS plans to purchase, if possible, iPads for loan to wireless libraries.

- Professional Development – Upcoming professional development opportunities were reviewed.
  - Professional Reading Groups - Mary Tiedemann will lead 4 groups for the year. Each group will be in book club format with one discussion session.
  - Linworth and ISTE webinars will be offered this fall. All will be at 4:00 pm, except for Oct. 13th at 7:00 pm. Schedules have been sent on listserv and posted on the SLS website.
  - E-Knowledge Workshops will be held the mornings of CC meeting days. Nov. 15th will be Gale resources with Danielle Bleecher, and Web 2.0/Twitter with Justin Ashworth. Later workshops will be announced
  - Learning Commons workshops will be held throughout the year for SLS members and instructional leaders.
- LC21 workshops will be offered for 3 dates. Districts are invited to send a partnership of the district instructional leader(s) and lead librarian(s) to the LC21 process. Allison Zmuda will present the LC21 Day 1 on Nov. 18th; David Loertscher will present Day 2 on Dec. 1; Allison will return for Day 3 on Feb. 17.
- Allison Zmuda will present workshops for both SLS and OCM BOCES ISS (as follow up to the CNY21 Conference this past summer). The first dates will be Oct. 25th & Nov. 19th.
- David Loertscher will present on Dec. 2 for PALS and PALS graduates (hosted at Pine Grove Middle School, ESM) and on Dec. 3 for an Open Session.

- **Rosen Teen Health & Wellness** – SLS funds shared in the cost with those who did not purchase THW through the CoSer. Mary T. discussed how regional ADA-PEP counselors piloted a program with THW last year, are already familiar with the product and can act as contact points, and have provided positive feedback on THW.

- **NOVELny** – Mary reviewed NOVELny offerings for this year. Judi reminded CCs that New York State provides NOVEL through LSTA funds. If offerings are not used, they may not be purchased in the future. If librarians want certain NOVEL products in the future, they should make use of the products now so that statistics will reflect product usage. Also, this year SLS highlighted Wilson Web, through CLRC, an offering of full-text education/professional articles.

- **Online Databases** – Mary reminded all to make sure to check their usernames & passwords for their online database purchases to verify they have access before the databases need to be used for a class. If there are any issues, librarians should call Mary at SLS. Also, regarding the service request process, there will be updates at each CC meeting, according to the service request schedule. There will be a series of free trials rolled out in the coming weeks. A proposal was made to send out such information as a digest (similar to Jeff Craig’s ISS dispatch) rather than separate emails for each item. Mary will explore how to implement this idea.

- **Annual Report** – Judi reviewed the annual report highlights handout. The report will be submitted to State Ed by Oct. 1.

- **Annual Survey Result Wordles** – Judi reviewed the Powerpoint of the result Wordles. CCs completed a small group exercise based on the Rethink, Retool, Reinvent survey questions results. After reviewing the answers to “Name 2 ways to Rethink, Retool & Reinvent your library in the coming year” and “How can SLS assist you in RRR?,” each group listed 3 result answers that were most significant to them. Answers were:
  - Doing more with less; rearranging physical space; incorporating more technology
  - Expertise bank from member LMSs; meeting students learning needs by use of iPods/tech tools; sharing best practices, experiences & successes
  - Emerging technologies; more support for professional development; incorporate 21st Century skills & tools into lessons
  - Learner centered work spaces/workshop on creating these physical spaces; workshop for Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR); continued professional development for librarians to be leaders in 21st Century learning
  - Videoconferencing workshop capability; technology as an advocacy tool; communicate to us what are the hot topics with administrators

- **SLS Goals** – The SED Library Quote handout, Allison Zmuda’s Learning Commons document, and the results of the Wordle exercise will be used as guidelines for SLS Goals for this school year. Judi is exploring the possibility of a Virtual Core Library, a selection of virtual library products for elementary, middle, jr. high, and sr. high levels that would serve as a core library available for all in the region. Judi called for a committee to decide on core products, perhaps 2 or 3 per level, that Judi can then negotiate prices for with vendors. Committee recommendations need to be made by January. So far, the committee consists of Judi, Mary T and Justin Ashworth. CCs are invited to volunteer to serve on this committee.

### IV Other

- **Meeting dates:** November 15, 2010; January 13 & March 16, 2011
  May 11, 2011, 1:15-3:15 (Combined with Council)