

CENTRAL LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minute
Tuesday, September 27, 2011 – 10:00 AM
North Country Library System

Present: Stephen Bolton, Director, NCLS
Joan Pellikka, Central Library Consultant, NCLS
Wayne Miller, Director, Ogdensburg Public Library
Barbara Wheeler, Director, Flower Memorial Library
Carol Ferlito, Director, Oswego Public Library
Sandra Lamb, Director, Sally Ploof Hunter Memorial Library
Sally Brown, Director, Lowville Free Library
Paulette Roes, NCLS

Excused: Stella Todd, Director, Heuvelton Free Library

1. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes by Barbara Wheeler; seconded by Carol Ferlito. Unanimously passed and carried.

2. CL Budget Review

3. Overdrive Update

The goal of maintaining a collection of 70% eBooks and 30% audio books is being met. Our collection is comprised of 69.2% eBooks and 30.8% audio. Circulation is the similar with 71.3% of items checked out being eBooks and 28.7% audio. The Kindle is now compatible with Overdrive. This was announced last week. There have already been 71 Kindle downloads with very little local publicity of this development.

4. Plan of Service

Since the CLAC last met, the Plan of Service committee of the Directors' Organization added an additional goal (Goal 3: Central Library Resources and Electronic Collection Development) to the Central Library Plan of Service.

Goal 3 was discussed and it was agreed that more discussion would be beneficial.

Barbara Wheeler moved to recommend Goals 1 & 2 of the Central Library Plan of Service to the NCLS Board of Trustees at the November 2011 board meeting and ask the trustees to table Goal 3 until after the April 2012 meeting of the CLAC. Motion seconded by Carol Ferlito. Unanimously passed and carried.

5. Databases

Database subscriptions were discussed at length. Steve Bolton informed group that NCLS is now operating at a \$100,000+ deficit and would not be able to use NCLS funds toward HeritageQuest and Learning Express. Usage statistics and merits of both databases were discussed. HeritageQuest decision had to be made immediately.

Wayne Miller made a motion to discontinue HeritageQuest Online subscription; seconded by Sandy Lamb. Unanimously passed and carried.

Alternatives to Learning Express will be investigated and vote will take place at later date.

6. CLAC representative terms

In order to stagger terms, Carol Ferlito (Oswego County) and Sally Brown (Lewis County) agreed to serve one year terms on the CLAC, beginning 2012.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 10th at 10:00 am