

Director's Association

Upper Hudson Library System

Friday, May 7, 2004

Attending: Jeff Cannell (APLM); Ginny LaJuene(ALT); Nancy Pieri (BETH); Darlene Miller(CAST); Deborah Canzano(COHS); Bob Jaquay (COLN); Debbie Shoup (EGRN); Barbara Nichols Randall (GUIL); Carol Gaillard (HOOF); Lenny Zapala (MEND); Pat Sahr (NASS); Rebecca Lubin (RVLL); Jane Minotti (SNLK); Barbara Kubli (STEP); Paul Hicok (TROY); Phil Ritter (UHLS); Barbara Schoen (WVLT)

Visitors: JoAnn Benedetti Outreach Consultant

Meeting convened at 9:05 am.

Minutes:

Motion: (Pieri, Canzano) to approve April 2, 2004 minutes. Carried.

UHLS: Phil Ritter

- Jo-Ann Benedetti – introduced as the new Outreach Consultant
- ILL Committee – Gordon Noble of BETH is the chairman. The committee will discuss the approach to ILL from UHLS perspective and come back to the Director's Association for their approval. At this time Diane Riganti is handling the paper work and materials and OCLC is doing the searching.
- UHLS Annual Meeting – the invitations have been sent; Michael Borges will be the speaker.
- Courier Service – the major issue is that the volume has increased. Velocity wanted to renegotiate for more money during mid-term contract. They want an increase of \$75.00 a day. UHLS cannot realistically change the budget midyear. Phil has agreed to pay \$45.00 more a day now and then increase next year's contract to \$75.00 more a day. In the future CDLC, SALS, MVLA and UHLS would like to form a unified regional courier service. An RFP has been sent out to see if it is possible.
- Phil has asked that the July 2004 Director's Association meeting be cancelled. He will be out of town from June 22 to July 15. By acclamation, it will be cancelled.
- Phil had a PLA video donation on exercise from the National Institute on Aging. The video will be at SNLK and can be requested from there.

Mary Fellows Youth Services Consultant spoke about the Riverway Storytelling Festival.

It was started in 2003 and offers many pluses to those libraries who could take part. Mary would like to see this program put into the UHLS budget. She asked for \$5,000. Jaquay, Schoen moved that it be put into the budget. After further discussion the motion was amended by Canzano and Jaquay to increase the money to \$6,000 and it was carried.

UHLS Administration: N. Pieri

The Trustee of the Year awards were decided. There will be no meeting for the next 2 months.

Services: R. Jaquay

The Service Awards and Program Awards will be decided on May 12.

Central Library: J. Cannell

The first budget hearing is coming up.

Telecirc

All patrons from the library doing telecirc are placed in and then individuals can opt out.

Nuts & Bolts:

ALTM: Thomas and Carroll Martin are offering a free program to small groups. They have written Biblically commentaries in the Altamont paper. *Slightly Off Center* is the name of the book that they have written.

Also ALTM will be closed from May 24 – June 5 for carpet installation.

COLN: On April 22 the Library Theater of Colonie was introduced. It is hoped that there will be school and educational components. They hope to have an actual theater. A one man *Christmas Carol* will be produced.

RVLL: Rebecca is doing a long distance learning program with Syracuse University for her MLS.

GUIL: They have a grant to redo the children's office. There are 2 bulletin boards that have to go.

STEP: The trustees voted to not comply with CIPA. On May 29th there will be a Quilt Show. The plans to expand were presented to the town board. STEP is an Association Library and the town can't legally give them funds for the expansion. Barbara would like to know of a way around this so that they could receive funds from the town.

COHS: The erate checks went directly to the vendor.

EGRN: Debbie wanted information on the overtime fair labor standards act. She was advised to contact the lawyer for the library.

CAST: They will have a 95 ½ Block Party. They have secured Len Tantillo, a local artist, to present a slide show of his work.

Old Business:

The Standards meeting was held April 23. Claims returned limits were discussed. The minutes of the meeting are on the Intranet. The next Standards meeting is May 21 at UHLS.

New Business:

The slate of officers for next year was presented:

 Ginny LaJuene – President

 Barbara Nicholls Randall – Vice-President

 Jane Minotti – Secretary with Pat Sahr acting as back-up minute taker.

Kubli, Canzano made the motion to accept the slate as read and the motion was carried.

Motion: (Jaquay, Zapala) Meeting adjourned 10:20 am. Next meeting June 4, at UHLS.