

E-Content Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

10/29/14 3:00 p.m.

Attendance: J. Benedetti (UHLS); J. Chirgwin (RENS); J. Murphy (APL); R. Naylor (COLN); A. Peker (CAST); J. Wines (ALTM)

- The minutes from the September 24 E-Content meeting were approved.
- Suggested member library contribution levels for e-content: Based on feedback from the Directors Association, J. Wines proposed a three (3) year spending to allow Directors and member library boards to plan for the expense. The proposal includes a 5% increase each year for three (3) years 2015, 2016, and 2017. The Committee will begin review for the 2018 spending plan beginning in 2015.
- Update on OverDrive magazine offerings: J. Benedetti shared information about OverDrive's magazine collection. Below are a few of the highlights:
 - OverDrive offers a robust collection including titles similar to those offered through Zinio.
 - There is no information about a platform fee at this time.
 - *Consumer Reports* is not offered.
- Central Library spending update
 - J. Benedetti highlighted the contributions of the Central Library that keep the e-content collection up-to-date and respond to patron demands. Specifically, the Central Library reorders expired titles, orders titles recommended by patrons, and orders content based on the holds ratio.
 - J. Benedetti shared that some member libraries offered to contribute beyond their 2014 recommended contribution. She is ordering fiction content with that money.
- Other business
 - Committee structure (T. Burke joined the discussion)
 - There was a discussion about ways change the structure of the Committee to include staff from member libraries that are not Directors but have knowledge of e-content and user needs. J. Wines will share this at the next Directors Association for consideration.
 - J. Benedetti shared that Harlequin is now owned by HarperCollins and therefore Harlequin titles now follow the 26 checkout lending model.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM