

E-Content Meeting December 16, 2016 2:30 PM

Attending: Deanna Dicarolo UHLS, Jane Chirgwin RENS, Jendy Murphy, APLM, Judith Wines RCSC, Melissa Tacke, CAST and Lauren Teachout, NASS/STEP.

Minutes approved.

Flipster update

3 youth titles are being added to the Flipster magazines list by Bethlehem library. The deadline for adding new titles is December 31. Bethlehem used content credit to purchase Teen Vogue, Cobblestone and Ask for a total of \$1,440. They were happy to help this time, but will not purchase for the collection next year.

Mango

Deanna explained the reasoning behind having a universal url link for Mango usage. Because of the way Mango is set up, if every library had a unique link for their own website, patrons would not be able to use their account at other libraries. The committee agreed that while having individual library statistics from Mango would be helpful, ease of use was more important.

Holds, Metered and Expiring management

The committee discussed the \$80,000 gap in funding collection development for fiction e-content. The \$80,000 is an estimate of maintaining the collection without growth, based on usage from 2016.

There are 3 types of upkeep:

- Holds- by ratio formula that considers cost and demand
- Metered access by timeframe (ex- Simon and Schuster, 12 months)
- Metered access by number of check-outs (ex- Harper Collins, 26 ckos)

Managing the three categories of upkeep is complicated. Staff at APL have expertise in this type of purchasing. Jendy will bring the idea of APL handling this using a group fund.

The Committee recommends to the Directors Association that libraries contribute to the group fund, invoiced by UHLS, for their share of the collection maintenance based on the individual library's local usage.

Because this is a large jump in contribution, the committee will not change the amount it recommends that the individual libraries buy in new e-content. (All adult nonfiction content should be purchased by Central Library funds).

Selection Guidelines update

Deanna thanks Jendy and Sarah for their help in updating the Overdrive Selection Guidelines. The guide now contains detailed instructions on buying recommended to library items, holds, and metered access. Deanna is still working on the content analysis section, and will take suggestions for the guidelines until the end of December.

New at Large ECAC member

Bekah Jarvis-Girtler from the Colonie Library is interested in becoming an at-large member of this committee. Her appointment was approved unanimously.

Meeting times

After a general discussion about options for virtual meetings and online collaboration, the committee decided to make meeting times more consistent. Unless we reschedule, meetings will now be the fourth Friday of the month, at 9:30 AM.

The committee will review terms and roles at the next meeting.

Move to Adjourn 4:00 PM.

Next Meeting January 27th 9:30 AM