

MORE Resource Sharing/Collection Development Meeting Minutes

April 30, 2014

Present: Katherine Elchert (Rice Lake), Hollis Helmeci (Ladysmith), Christina Jones (Altoona), Leslie LaRose (Augusta), Lisa Ludwig (Colfax), Megan Olson (Cumberland), Renee Ponzio (Eau Claire), Virginia Roberts (Chippewa Falls), Lori Roholt (IFLS); Nancy Miller (River Falls) & Jacquie Pooler (Plum City) attempted to call in, could not attend via phone. Tim Fitzgerald (Menomonie)—abs; Adam Zens (Turtle Lake)—abs

Visitors: Jill Glover (Luck), Sue Queiser & Patti Olsen (Barron), John Stoneberg (Eau Claire)

Call to order-- Lisa L. called the meeting to order at 1:30.

Roll Call/establish a quorum—established; 0 attended via phone due to technical difficulties

Certification of compliance with Open Meeting Law--yes

Accept/modify the agenda—Items 1& 2 were shifted per Lori R.'s request. Moved approval:

Katherine E.; seconded: Renee P. agenda accepted, all aye

Approval of the minutes from January 14, 2014—Moved: Katherine E; seconded: Renee P.; all aye

Issues from other MORE committees/meetings—none

1. **Freegal, Freading and Comics Plus**: John Stoneberg reported on the first quarter use of Freegal and Freading. The current cost per download is \$1.62 per Lori R. John S. reported that the early cost of Freegal downloads at Eau Claire was \$.33/each.

Lori did speak with the vendor rep. who explained that any other services would add to the cost. John S. explained that the strengths of Freading are the "always available" element, as well as the strong selection of non-fiction. He discussed with the group the set up fees and billing process. Also, the Freading items can be found in the MORE catalog.

Comic Books Plus is still in the set up process as it originally could not interact with the Innovative software. Eau Claire has already paid a portion of the cost for this and hopes it will be available to all by July 2014.

2. At some point the discussion segued into item #2-- **2015 MORE content recommendations**There are budget issues related to Freading and Freegal; it was felt that more time to evaluate the cost and value to patrons is needed. Lori reported very few technical issues, but some patrons have problems with ease-of-use. The actual billing process can be done as a part of the MORE cost under the Content umbrella. There are two most likely ways to create the billing: actual use or the previous year's use. It could be added the proposed 2015 budget, and then removed should MORE directors decide it is not worthy of the expense.

Lori R. will request pricing for the 2015 year for Freegal. Freading will be billed as it is currently, under the Content line of the MORE budget. The first quarter of service is at \$1500 (Approx).

WPLC buying pool expends money for Overdrive books. In 2014, IFLS was charged \$75,082, which included a partial payment through a grant from LSTA. The expected bill for 2015 is \$84,959 for the ILFS libraries. WPLC will not make any decisions until June; they asked if the one million dollars was sufficient to cover the Overdrive costs. Discussion indicated that IFLS libraries would reject an increase.

Renee P. suggested that any extra money that may accrue be rolled into the Advantage Collection. Patti B. reported that WPLC considered using any overage to purchase other types of downloadable products, such as Zinio.

The Advantage Collection would remain funded at \$15,000 within the MORE libraries to reduce the hold-wait time for DVDs.

- 3. **E-Reader Device Circulation/Content Purchases @ MORE Libraries** The discussion addressed the circulation activity of iPads and Kindles, which showed people moving towards iPad-minis due to the versatility of iPads. This was primarily an educational discussion.
- 4. **Lucky Day Collection** was discussed with the intent of recommending action at the May 30th Director's Council. These collections are generally small, high-demand books with special check-out standards. There was considerable discussion about the reasons to have such collections, whether the standards for them can be enforced, and what parameters should define them.

The following standards were agreed upon:

The libraries MUST fulfill the ratio of 1-to-1 for one circulating copy for each Lucky Day copy. No holds are allowed and no renewals are allowed. Fines for books should be \$.50 per day; fines for DVDs should be \$1.00 per day. DVDs would circulate for 3 days; books for 7 days. There would be a quarterly review of the items in any Lucky Day collection to ensure less-desired items are moved into the regular circulating collections. The size and composition of the collection would be determined by the owning library.

The question of meeting the 5-to-1 holds ratio was raised. This is not enforced; it is hoped that all Lucky Day Collections will reduce holds by such significant numbers that this matter will not adversely impact the 5-to-1 recommendation. It was noted that various reasons impact the collection development decisions across the MORE libraries.

Katherine E. moved that RSCD recommend accepting Lucky Day Collections to the Directors' Council; Megan O. seconded. All—aye.

Virginia left at 3:10.

5. "On the Shelf" Collection Development blog Leslie L. reminded people that the blog needs current materials added on a regular basis. Many of the new directors may not be aware of the blog at all, so all people will be notified about it. Some discussion about content for admissions occurred.

Adjourn—meeting adjourned at 3:30

The next RSCD meeting will be held on August 27, 2014 at 1:30 in the IFLS office with conference phone-in available.

Submitted,

Hollis Helmeci, Secretary