

SUNYLA Council Meeting

November 13, 2015

SUNY Cobleskill

Van Wagenen Library

10:00am –3:00pm

Attendance: John Schumacher, Carrie Fishner, April Davies, Daniel Harms, Laura Evans, Rebecca Hyams, Bill Jones, Cheng Cheng, Jenny Collins

Virtual Attendance: Matthew Best, Michelle Bishop, Greg Bobish, Louise Charbonneau, Katie DeRusso, Jennifer DeVito, Michelle Eichelberger, Karen Ferington, Carol Anne Germain, Marla Gruner, Kristy Lee, Carrie Marten, Joyce Miller, Sarah Morehouse, Kim Myers, Rebecca Nous, Kelsey, O'Brien, Violet Price, Adam Saunders, Eva Sclipa, April Steenburgh, Kimmy Szeto, Susanna Van Sant, Jane Verostek, Wendy West, Christine Faraday, Sara Parme, Logan Rath

1. Approval of Minutes from Sept. 25, 2015 meeting. Approved with John Schumacher's changes as requested.
2. Report Recaps
 - 2.1. Officers
 - 2.1.1. President – Rebecca Hyams
 - 2.1.1.1. Midwinter conference 10am-3pm on February 5, 2016. Taking proposals through December 7th. We are hoping for an even better conference this year than last. Attended SCLD in Fairport with Bill. They are working on a new strategic plan for the organization, some are larger than just SCLD itself, and they want librarian input more, particularly in terms of Advocacy. Perhaps a poster session for the spring meeting in SUNY Admin on this, they want to improve and promote Librarian/y awareness and services. Elsevier – ongoing discussions, someone who can represent SUNYLA in these is needed. There will be some session before the meeting to see what SUNY wants/needs per John. Let Becky know if anyone wants to volunteer.
 - 2.1.1.2. Who wants to host SUNYLA next year? Start thinking about it! We are thinking somewhere downstate as the last few have been more upstate
 - 2.1.2. First Vice President – Bill Jones
 - 2.1.2.1. Bill is on 2 of the teams for SCLD, Advocacy and web presence. Also in the SUNY wide integrated learning process and helping to plan the next SCLD meeting for spring 2016.
 - 2.1.3. Second Vice President – Laura Evans
 - 2.1.3.1. Planning is underway for the conference. The programming subcommittee will have the program call out in December with proposals due late in January. The call for posters will go out after program sessions are decided. The theme is “Convergence” and we have a cool logo (check out the logo on the report posted in the forum). Still looking for suggestions for the key note – what qualities do we want? Who can give an interesting speech librarians will be interested in. Not expensive. We will hopefully be using a conference scheduler app this year, possibly Guidebook. Campus has decided that we do need to have separate insurance this year. Local arrangements is working on the menu with SODEXHO now, very aware of dietary concerns and willing to work with us. Also working on maps, signage, and prizes.
 - 2.1.4. Secretary – Carrie Fishner
 - 2.1.4.1. No report
 - 2.1.5. Treasurer – Greg Bobish
 - 2.1.5.1. As you can see from the attached report (on forum), we have \$22,987.41 available in our bank account, and we have an additional 993.82 in our paypal account.
We forgot to allocate money for executive travel at the June meeting, and we've already paid

out 2,040.84, so I'd recommend we at least allocate \$3000 so we have about \$1000 left to get us through June.

2.2. Committees

2.2.1. Membership Development – Carol Anne Germain

2.2.1.1. What does the group think about the option of a lifetime membership, following the model of ALA? It would provide for greater constancy in the membership base hopefully. Discussion ensued: what would the financial impact to the organization be? Taxes? Price it out more? SCLD asked about having an institutional membership option. Rebecca charged Carol Anne to explore these topics.

2.2.2. Personnel Policies – Eugene Harvey

2.2.2.1. No report yet – more libraries responded to the salary than in the past, working on getting the data sorted

2.2.3. Professional Development –Katrina Fraser

2.2.3.1. The Professional Development Committee met virtually on 10/19/15. I updated the membership roster for the Professional Development Committee. I invited any SUNYLA members who recently (in 2015) indicated that they were interested in joining the committee. Currently, there are fourteen members. During the meeting, I informed members that I am looking for a co-chair to assist with the PDC. To date, no one has contacted me to express interest in serving as Co-Chair. Ideas were discussed regarding a brown bag series. They include: support research for tenure, information literacy strategies and supporting new librarians. The Conference Awards Subcommittee may consider inviting Sylvia Chu award winners to serve on the Conference Awards Subcommittee the year following their receipt of the award. The mentoring program is status quo. There is one pairing for this academic year and there doesn't seem to be interest among current PDC members in making the mentoring program a subcommittee of the Professional Development Committee. I may send out an announcement to seek mentors/mentees for Spring 2016, the second half of the academic year.

2.2.4. Publications – April Davies

2.2.4.1. Next issue out in February. Will email members to talk about social media and what they are doing. April would like someone else to be able to post on Facebook beside herself.

2.2.5. TUG – Jill Locasio

2.2.5.1. Facebook discussion group has been started, no discussion yet but have 30-40 members. Will send out the information on how to join again – it is a closed group.

2.2.6. Web Development – Katherine Brent

2.2.6.1. Send updates to web@sunyla.org

2.2.7. WGIL – Logan Rath & Carleen Huxley

2.2.7.1. No report

2.2.8. Archives (ad hoc) – Jennifer Collins

2.2.8.1. Has been collecting things from the forum like a squirrel, still needs an official charge. Send Jenny anything that we have that we think she should get.

2.2.9. Continuing Ed (ad hoc) – Logan Rath

2.2.9.1. Logan wanted to step away from this. Rebecca took it to SCLD to see what they are doing, they said to table this for now as they figure things out.

2.2.10. WGIL SUNY GER Information Management Task Force – Carleen Huxley

2.2.10.1. No report, although Cobleskill is reviewing their Gen Ed's now

2.2.11. Assessment (ad hoc) – Michelle Toth

2.2.11.1. A lot is happening now with individual groups addressing their questions, we hope to present something at the annual meeting

2.3. Liaisons

2.3.1. FACT2 – Logan Rath

2.3.1.1. No report – CIT program proposals due in December

2.3.2. LACUNY – Kimmy Szeto/Frans Albarillo

2.3.2.1. Frans is stepping down. LACUNY officers 2015-16:

President: Jonathan Cope, College of Staten Island

Vice President/President Elect: Anamika Megwalu, York College

Secretary: Kelly Blanchat, Queens College

Urban Library Journal:

Editor: Junior Tidal, New York City College of Technology

<http://ojs.gc.cuny.edu/index.php/urbanlibrary>

We started making the transition to Academic Works, CUNY's institutional repository. So far, we have put up meeting minutes and some presentation slides.

<http://academicworks.cuny.edu/lacuny/>

We now accept membership fees (full and associate) via PayPal. We current have two life members. Presently, life memberships cannot be purchased. The LACUNY Executive Council present life memberships to those with significant contribution to the association. CUNY IT Conference will be held on December 3 and 4 at John Jay College. This year's theme is making innovation visible and sustainable. Registration is free:

<http://www.centerdigitaled.com/events/CUNY-IT-Conference.html>

The Grace-Ellen McCrann Memorial Lectures will be held on December 17, 2015, 1-4pm at the library at Bronx Community College. This year's theme is "The Historians Among Us." Lectures will consist of short (10 minutes) presentations on historical topics by CUNY librarians.

LACUNY's annual conference, LACUNY Institute, will be held on May 20, 2016 at Brooklyn College. More info and CFP forthcoming.

More about LACUNY and calendar of events: www.lacuny.org.

2.3.3. SCFC – Rebecca Hyams

2.3.3.1. Electronic resource expenditures across SUNY – what are missing gaps that are shared? Business models for shared services. ELD contract renewal. Potential tiered pricing model for SUNY libraries – what can we do to really *act* like a system? Electronic resources is about software - clarification

2.3.4. IDS – Bill Jones

2.3.4.1. Presented at WNY Ontario ACRL conference about a new collection development tool in progress. There are new online learning institute courses that will be offered in the spring, descriptions are on forum in IDS report, registration opening soon.

2.3.5. OLIS – John Schumacher

2.3.5.1. If anyone is blocked out of using the Fire Code Resource let John know please, he isn't clear on all of the limitations.

2.3.5.2. SUNYConnect LMS and Related Activities

- Work is underway planning the Aleph upgrade to v22 for campuses with Aleph installed on the shared server environment at ITEC (currently at v20); While we don't anticipate major changes with Version 22 there are some nice enhancements and fixes. We expect to have the upgrade completed by early 2017. As always, we hope to minimize any downtime. Reasons for the upgrade:
 - o No further service packs are being developed for v20 (no new functionality or bug fixes)
 - o Version 20 runs on an end-of-life version of Oracle (no new updates for security and/or functionality being developed)
 - o Current Aleph servers (both hardware and Operating System) will reach end-of-life in 2017.

Library Systems Request for Information (RFI)

- The Library Systems RFI Review team is composed of members from the SUNY Council of Library Directors Executive Board, OLIS, and representatives from campuses.
- The Team surveyed Library Directors – themes in that survey include:
 - ♣ Interest in levels of data sharing and collaborative services across campuses
 - ♣ Interest in building community based groups in support of implementation and ongoing maintenance
 - ♣ Interest in developing system-wide workflows/processes
 - ♣ Readiness (budget and staff) in taking part in a migration
- The Team is now analyzing this input to provide additional focus for SUNYConnect LMS needs/specifications to assist in getting more streamlined and relevant proposals from the vendors in the future;
- Vendor webinars and/or demonstrations will be scheduled;
- To help the SUNY library community (beyond the members of the RFI Review team) acquire information on developments in library systems, a “Next Gen” Library Systems Information Group has been created in the SUNY Learning Commons. This site contains the RFI vendor responses that have been designated for sharing internally within the larger SUNY community. Please see the announcement about how to access the “Next Gen” Library Systems Information Group that was distributed in early July.

EBSCO Discovery Service

- Please keep the feedback coming on the new Full Text Finder (OpenURL software) as well as on Curriculum Builder (reading list tool) use;
- Some of the SUNY EDS sites can be found here.

Electronic Resources

- A SUNYConnect-wide license for the New England Journal of Medicine (2016) has been established; thanks goes to the 36 SUNYs that have made the license possible for the entire group (per-campus cost is 30% of cost if that campus licensed the journal on their own);
- The next round of “title swapping” in regard to the SUNYConnect ScienceDirect license is underway; additional journals available on ScienceDirect as of 2016 will be made available (including Journal of Obstetric, Gynecologic & Neonatal Nursing);
- The university-wide license for the National Fire Protection Association (codes, etc.) has been re-established via non-library/non-OLIS funds;
- Cold call – please contact the OLIS Liaison if you are interested in SBRNet (Sports Business Research Network) .

OLIS News

- The SUNY Office of Library and Information Services is scheduled to move offices in mid-November 2015; contact information will remain the same.

Open SUNY and Related Activities

- Work is currently underway on the “Intermediate and Advanced OER Topics” course adapted by Laura Murray and Karen Gardner-Athey (OLIS) from the open course OER101. The original OER101 course was designed under an IIT Grant by a team of SUNY librarians and faculty. This course will be offered for the first time in January of 2016. Like the introductory course, it is intended for SUNY faculty, instructional designers and librarians.
- SUNY OERs (open educational resources) can now be cataloged in the SUNY Digital Repository (SDR). More information about this is available on the Open SUNY ALS site

News

- ♣ ProQuest signs agreement to acquire Ex Libris;

SUNYConnect Information / Resources

- For additional information about SUNYConnect, see our updated web site - <http://www.SUNYConnect.suny.edu/>
- OLIS' Footprints Service Request System
<http://service.sunyconnect.suny.edu/footprints/help.html>
- OLIS Support Portal
<http://wiki.sunyconnect.suny.edu/display/OLIS/Support+Portal>
- SUNYConnect union catalog
<http://search.sunyconnect.suny.edu/>

Links (in this document)

<http://blog.sunyconnect.suny.edu/2015/09/01/library-systems-whats-next-whats-new/>
<mailto:sunyeds@ls.suny.edu>
<http://wiki.sunyconnect.suny.edu/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=21925277>
<http://www.nejm.org/>
<http://codesonline.nfpa.org/>
<http://www.sbrnet.com/Academic-Subscription.aspx>
<https://dspace.sunyconnect.suny.edu/handle/1951/65009>
http://opensunyals.org/oer_sdr.html
<http://librarytechnology.org/news/pr.pl?id=21043>

2.3.6. UUP – Dan Harms

- 2.3.6.1. The major thing is that the UUP contract negotiation are going on. Fact finding mission is happening, Dan is posting feedback form to the forum – please fill out. Bring your issues to the table as many ways as you can. A48 meetings are going on still, compensation may be moving to the big table. This process takes a while, finally addressing issues with the state & SUNY that SUNYLA was actually founded for.

2.3.7. METRO 3R's- Jill Locasio

- 2.3.7.1. Nothing to report, Jill is now on the mailing list for them

2.3.8. NYLA – Wendy West

- 2.3.8.1. The NYLA Annual conference was held in Lake Placid, October 21 – 24, 2015. It was a very successful conference, with approximately 770 people attending. ASLS programs were very well attended and the comments on the programs were very positive. Planning for next year's conference is now underway. The conference will be back in Saratoga next year.

2.3.9. OpenSUNY Taskforce – April Steenburgh

- 2.3.9.1. Some work is beginning

2.3.10. SUNY Academic Programs & Awards committee – Logan Rath

- 2.3.10.1. No report as yet

3. Old Business

3.1. TUG name change

- 3.1.1. TUG would like to change their name to the TDG (Technology Discussion Group). A bylaw change will need to go out with this year's election in April to do so.

- 3.1.1.1. Election Tangent: If you are interested in running for VP, 2nd VP (usually but not always at conference host site), or Secretary contact Bill Jones

3.2. Virtual Conference planning

- 3.2.1. Program proposals due Dec. 7th. DIY Toolbox 2.0 is the title. Free & open to everyone everywhere.
- 4. New Business (including action items from reports)
 - 4.1. Ad hoc Advocacy committee
 - 4.1.1. Please let Rebecca know if you are interested in being on the committee. To work in conjunction with SCLD. Council voted to approve this.
 - 4.2. Appropriation of funds for officer travel
 - 4.2.1. Forgot to do this back in June. Move to allocate \$3000 from treasury to support officer travel (this includes money already spent). Approved.
 - 4.2.2. Where does the Midwinter conference live? TDG was the decision. We will change the manual and duties to include organization of this. Can always still be done by a committee, but will be spearheaded by TDG.
 - 4.2.3. Who can join SUNYLA? Anyone. This is in the bylaws, section 3. Maybe we should add a para or professional staff track to the conference to help attract non-librarians who work in libraries.

Next meeting January 29th at FIT.