

Information Services Communication Coordinators Committee
Minutes for November 16, 2011

Present:

Dick Axt	Kristin Dardano	Karen Pelletier	Valerie Witte
Michelle Babbie	Wendy Egresits	Anne Reilly	Karen Zaleski
Scott Burgess	Ken Ford	Jill Schaal	Helen Zyma
Linda Chesebro	Vicky Greenman	Susan Scheu	
Jim Cichon	Steve Inzer	Cindy Staley	
Sharon Crowe	Katie Parker	Crystal Sweet	

Absent:

Sue DeLuco, Leeann Dooley, Tom Giammaria, Paul Girsdansky, Sarah Indermill, Megan McCoy Dellecese, Terri Stile, Tanja Tamburino

- I. NY Heritage Project: Claire Enkosky, from CLRC, described the NY Heritage Project. CLRC is one of nine statewide library councils, and of those nine, six are part of the NY Heritage Project. The resources can be accessed at nyheritage.org. This website is free, and includes primary source materials, many tools, including lesson plans. These lesson plans are linked to state standards. CLRC is looking for organizations interested in joining the project. Membership in just the Heritage Project is \$40 per year.
- II. Instructional Support Services Progress to Date:
 - A. Science books are now in multiple book collections in Media Services. These books are ready to be loaned to schools.
 - B. The Music Advisory Committee has started working on the music collection.
 - C. Azuki is working on two apps that will allow all of our media to be played on any device.
 - D. Aileen Sweeney shared information about You Tube, which is starting a site for educators, that will not be blocked in schools. Aileen is setting up a site (OHM2go). Once the site is ready, educators will be able to post videos.
 - E. Khan Academy has numerous educational videos available for free. There are short videos on how to do certain skills and then a practice session where applicable.
 - F. Melissa Porter has been hired by the School Library System. She will be working four days a week at the Westmoreland Elementary School Library and one day a week at School Library system. Melissa will do professional development for the SLS.
- III. OPALS update with Pat Lekki question and answer session. List of schools on, or about to go on, OPALS was reviewed.
- IV. ILL requests: discussion regarding ILL requests not being answered, particularly at the elementary level. This is a problem across the three BOCES consortium, and schools need to check requests and then respond to them.
- V. Matthew Bashant, from the Elementary Science Center, did a demonstration of digital resources, accessible through Brain Honey, available to Science teachers who get our kits. The resources are linked to the kits that they work with so teachers don't have to search all over to access them. He also shared information regarding what is now available from Science, including science kits, multiple books, and other resources. Matt will create accounts for all of the library media specialists who would like one so they can make further recommendations to their teachers or to us of resources that correlate to the kit content. LMSs were asked to help us get the word out about the resources and to help get Matthew into the schools to demonstrate.
- VI. Cindy Staley, from Dolgeville Central, shared her "5 min. staff meeting resource ideas". She presented, to her staff, a one sheet handout regarding 2 Common Core Shifts and database examples that would help them fulfill those items. Cindy is currently developing a table of resources, which shows examples of books required by the state standards, which of these books is available in her school's collection, and how the books can be ordered through SNAP. She will share her work when the table is completed. Cindy also played a video produced by WNYLRC and available on You Tube about the experiences of college students as they have made the transition to college and college level research and writing. Pat indicated that she will be starting a collaborative group of high school and college librarians, which will meet on an ongoing basis to discuss how best to help prepare students for college, and how to help them as they cross the bridge to higher education. C3 members discussed their experiences in this area.

- VII. SLS Updates and Reminders:
- A. The Music Advisory Committee has requested that Barry Britt return to do a presentation on copyright issues, possible in January. Because of the cost of his trainings, we will need to have a minimum of 35 people for the presentation.
 - B. The SLS Directory has been distributed. Please check it for accuracy and contact Kenn Runinger with any changes or updates.
 - C. Sue Palmieri has agreed to take over the day-to-day issues related to OverDrive, including suggestions for promoting this resource. Aileen Sweeney continues to be the go-to person for any technical issues.
 - D. Sue Bartle, from Erie 2 BOCES, did a presentation at the Leatherstocking Conference about e-readers and selection criteria for e-readers. Pat shared Sue's handouts. Pat also suggested that it is important to consider all options for e-readers and e-books, since the industry is still in its infancy.
 - E. CCD money can be used for OverDrive purchases, as long as the books are added to the general catalog and are therefore available to all students.
- VIII. Small Discussion Groups - Common Core Standards: C3 members were split into groups and worked together to assess the Common Core Standards weblinks sent to Pat by the DLD. After 30 minutes of work time the groups reported on their findings, and discussed what they found to be the strengths and weakness of the websites. Vicky Greenman has been working on creating Path Finders for the Common Core Standards, and she will share those at the January C3 meeting.

Next Meeting is: January 18, 2012

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