

Minutes – O/H SLS Council Meeting, November 30, 2017

Fred Berowski, HCCC Leeann Dooley, Little Falls Wendy Egresits, Whitesboro Vicky Greenman, Richfield Springs Jocelyn Ireland, MVCC	Steve Inzer, Central Valley Margaret McNamara, Holland Patent Zane Mahar, Sauquoit Valley Janice Murray, New Hartford	Carol Rahme, Utica Cindy Staley, Dolgeville Mary Sundberg, Poland Heather Urtz, MidYork Marc Wildman, CLRC
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Absent: Fred Berowski, Leeann Dooley, Vicky Greenman, Jocelyn Ireland, Zane Mahar, Janice Murray, Marc Wildman

- I. **Call to Order** - meeting called to order by Margaret McNamara at 2:30 p.m.
- II. **Review of September 29, 2017 Minutes** – upon review, it was discovered that the minutes were faulty, and they were not approved. The minutes from the September meeting will be revised and resent to members.
- III. **Status of the Library Curriculum Project** – Substantial progress has been made, with people writing, revising, and re-writing the curriculum. The Grade 12 Exit Skills matrix was a work item at the Communication Coordinators Committee meeting, and members contributed tremendously to this.
- IV. **Coordinator’s Report** – [attached](#)
- V. **Highlights from Coordinator’s Report** –
 - A. To date, over 59 CCD units have been processed. Betsy reminded members that CCD funds can be used for OverDrive titles. Cindy Staley shared that she is pleased with the Junior Library Guild service, and some CCD funds have been used for this. Also in the sharing resources category, Kenn Runninger found two popular new titles in the Chinese language, as well as a very new article for the Oneida BOCES Superintendent, Howard Mettelman. The SLS bought books in both print and e-format for the Battle of the Books competition.
 - B. Betsy reviewed the various trainings and events she has attended and or implemented since the last meeting. Among these were the Bridging the Gap meeting, held at Herkimer County Community College, and an EMTA meeting. Betsy is the sitting president of the EMTA.
- VI. **Discussion related to the Coordinator’s Report** – It was suggested that more Professional Learning Communities (PLC) be established, in particular, a PLC for Bridging the Gap, an Information Literacy Course, and Makerspaces. These are areas of special interest to members of the consortium. The SLS will help to implement the formation of these groups, and information will be forthcoming.
- VII. **Other** – Cindy Staley shared that she and Vicky Greenman had attended a training by Kathleen Odean, an expert on children’s and young adult’s books, and she highly recommended Ms. Odean. Heather Urtz shared that the annual Library Legislative Day will be February 28, 2018, and CLRC does provide bus transportation for those wishing to attend. There is concern that 2018 will be a difficult budget year for all

libraries. Mid York will be offering a Read-O Bingo challenge game for children, teens and adults. Also, Mid York will be doing an Authority Control Project in 2018. Mid York will provide summer reading posters for each elementary school in the SLS consortium; SLS will implement the distribution of these posters. Between March and December of 2018, Mid York will offer YALSA webinars. These webinars will be presented live, but will be archived as well. Margaret McNamara inquired about the status of the Fable ebooks. Betsy explained that the SLS owns these titles, but at present there is no platform to house them. She is working with both OverDrive and Brain Hive to find a suitable platform, so that they will again be available.

VIII. **Meeting was adjourned at 3:28 p.m.**

cc: Building Principal/Supervisor
Scott Morris Howard Mettelman
Mark Vivacqua Mary Beth Farr