

Minutes – O/H SLS Council Meeting, September 29, 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, Zane Mahar, Heather Urtz, Marc Wildman

- I. **Call to Order** - meeting called to order by Margaret McNamara at 1:37 p.m.
- II. **Introductions** – Betsy Hartnett welcomed Council members. The remaining dates for this year’s meetings are November 14, January 10, March 27, and June 1. Council members introduced themselves. Margaret McNamara agreed to continue as president of the Advisory Council.
- III. **Approval of May 19, 2017 Minutes** – Betsy noted one correction to the minutes: the Oneida/Herkimer SLS and Madison-Oneida BOCES SLS are partnering with ONC BOCES SLS, not OCM BOCES SLS, as noted in the current minutes from May. With correction, Cindy Staley moved that minutes be approved; Wendy Egresits seconded the motion.
- IV. **State Grants** – Betsy reported that the SLS is fully funded, with no change to the amount of state grant money from the previous year.
- V. **State Report** – Betsy submitted the annual State Report.
- VI. **Coordinator’s Report** – [attached](#)
- VII. **Highlights from Coordinator’s Report** –
 - A. eBooks – There are technical issues with utilizing ebooks through the OPALS catalog, and we are working with Library Automation and the vendors to resolve these problems.
 - B. Courier – the summer was spent in making changes to the physical structure and route distribution in the courier area, to improve efficiency. Janice Murray shared a story about a book she had requested for a student that arrived the next day, a marked improvement in the time it took to get resources.
- VIII. **Other** – Bridging the Gap: The SLS is coordinating another round of Bridging the Gap meetings, so that high school librarians have an opportunity to collaborate with college librarians, to prepare students for the transition to college level research. The first meeting will be held at Herkimer County Community College.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

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