MID-HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM

Central Library / Collection Development Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: September 18, 2012 Location: MHLS Auditorium

Committee members attending:

- Sally Alderdice (Columbia)
- Julie Spann (Dutchess)
- Gloria Goverman (Dutchess)
- Sue Ray (Greene)

Kathleen McLaughlin (Putnam)

- John Giralico (Ulster)
- 🛛 Margie Menard (Ulster) Chair

MHLS Staff Attending: Merribeth Advocate, Mike Nyerges, Eric McCarthy, Gerry Formby PPLD Staff Attending: Tom Lawrence, Deb Weltsch

Approval of June (6/14/12) minutes by J. Giralco, seconded by J. Spann

Discussion Items:

- 1. Central Library Program Budget
 - Committee received a budget update for 2012. T. Lawrence suggested using excess funds for additional E-content (bring total amount from \$17,000 up to \$27,000). Committee agreed pending proposed spending plan by CL Staff.

2. Committee reviewed results of Member Library Survey evaluating Central Library Program. There were 45 responses as follows:

- Columbia: 6 out of 11 (55% response rate)
- Dutchess: 14 out of 22 (64% response rate)
- Greene: 6 out of 8 (75% response rate)
- Putnam: 8 out of 8 (100% response rate)
- Ulster: 11 out of 17 (65% response rate)
- 3. Cooperative Collection Development: Medical Collection Report
 - D. Weltsch presented statistical data to follow up on system-wide Medical Collection analysis (number/percentage of recommended to-be-weeded items, total number of actual weeds, etc). M. Advocate stressed that the project greatly reduced patron chance of getting out-of-date items/information and overall the project was/is a great success.
- 4. Central Library Training OPAC & NOVEL databases

D. Weltsch summarized pros & cons of workshops (five workshops offered at five different libraries during May). October workshops: 'Handling Legal Questions in the Public Library' will be held in each county.

- 5. Overdrive Update
 - Usage statistics were reviewed.
 - M. Advocate noted upcoming updates as 'additions' rather than changes to our current resource/s. T. Lawrence reminded group that the \$6600 member library contribution is not *just* for the purchase of E-Books.
- 6. Library Thing & Novelist Select
 - M. Advocate & E. McCarthy will arrange for free access / trial period.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 19, 2012, 10am at MH Auditorium. Agenda will include:

• 2013 Budget draft, Discussion of patron surveys, Evaluating goals in 2013