

School Library System Council Minutes
May 14, 2015
RCSD #45 Mary McLeod Bethune School

Present: Cathy Buyer-Davis, Paula Futrell, Julianne Wise, Colleen Sadowski, Sally Bub, Molly Ortiz-Brazak, Sarah Boerman, Faith Rogers-Aubel, Sarah Lydon

Absent: Kathy Miller, Susan Reuter, Jeanne Robillard, David Creek, Sr. Anna Derouchie, Nick Taranko

Meeting called to order: 1:22 pm

1. Welcome by Sally Bub

2. April Minutes: Motion to approve by Cathy, seconded by Molly. Minutes approved.

3. Nomination of New Members: (Colleen):

Sally will email members asking for nominations of new members—2 elementary and 1 secondary. Once nominations are in, all members will vote by survey. Council must approve vote. By-laws will be reviewed to make sure we are following procedure.

4. Reports

a) SLS Director (Colleen)

a. Staffing updates—HCI is drawing up contracts for librarians to fill positions at 2 schools. 4 library positions are open.

b. Budget update—Colleen had emailed librarians to spend/encumber the large outstanding balance in library funds. The amount was greatly reduced.

SLS is purchasing *Cybersmarts* eBooks for RCSD 3-6th grades, and in July will add 7-12th. SLS is purchasing *Spotlight on NY* database.

The Budget was passed, and City has to approve. Libraries will receive almost triple the amount of funding for 2015-16.

c. SLS purchased one organizational membership in NYLA—primary is Colleen and secondary is Sally.

Colleen led a discussion about NYLA/SSL memberships for all RCSD librarians. Sarah made a motion to approve purchase of organizational memberships in NYLA/SSL for every RCSD

Librarian. Molly seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

d. Extra pay—discussion about the desire to compensate librarians who do extra work such as ROCRead lead, eBooks, cataloging and Destiny support. Possibilities are paying an amount per hour or paying sub so that librarian can use ½ days for the extra work.

b) RRLC (Colleen)

- Arnett and Maplewood were selected as RRLC Public Library of the Year (winner and honorable mention, respectively)..

c) RPL (Sarah L)

- Arnett purchased a book bike, which was funded by a Harold Hacker Grant through the Friends and Foundation of the Rochester Public Library.
- Shared the Summer Reading paper—“Every Hero has a Story”
- Learning Labs at branches. Sarah will recheck age groups that may participate.
- A StoryCorps grant is funding stipend and oral history kit June to October, focusing on new Americans. This project will begin at Maplewood in June.
- Sarah offered to visit any schools that may wish to have her promote Summer Reading programming.

d) Committees

>ILL (Paula)

- No report

>CCD

- No report

>Technology (Julianne)

- Julianne will email librarians an eBook bookmark she created
- Cathy will email librarians a ‘fridge page’ about eBooks

>Cataloging (Cathy)

- Problems with the catalog must be addressed
- Discussion about need for cataloging PD and further exploration of paying MightyNet to clean

up the catalog. Colleen will get pricing from MightyNet and we will discuss at next meeting.

>Storytelling (Sarah)

- Fisher still needs an early March date or date after May 7. These dates are not convenient for us.
- Discussion about continuing at Fisher or bringing the Festival back to RCSD location. Pros and cons discussed. Noted that RCSD location requires a lot more work by Storytelling volunteers.

>Advocacy

- No report

>Continuing Education (Sally)

- Susan Reuter was approved to input classes for librarians.
- PD Requests: RRLC Tech Camp, RRLC Search and the Net, Open Labs, Domains, Collegial Circle to develop evaluation based on SLMPR rubric, Library Department meeting.
- Suggested PDs: Destiny home page, Destiny setting calendars, Destiny cataloging, Destiny eBooks, Lib Guides, Google Forms.
- Colleen asked that two PDs offered by WXXI be added to list: introduction to WXXI website and Learning Media for lesson plans. Faith made a motion to approve additions, Molly seconded. The motion was approved.

> Special Clients

- No report

>ROCRead (Faith)

- Faith is developing a form to keep names and tallies for all ROCReads
- Discussion about ROCRead certificates.
- April shows 4000 participants so far; not all the schools' numbers are in. February had 4400. About 900 students participated in all 3.

Good of the Order:

Molly asked about Textbooks. Colleen is meeting with Vicki and Vicki is developing a new plan for Textbooks.

There should be another person, not librarian, designated and trained in Destiny textbooks, at each school.
New Discard forms are being worked on by Vicki.

Future Meeting:

Council will meet again in June. Sally will send survey to determine date and place.

Motion to adjourn by Sally with second by Cathy. Meeting adjourned at 3:27 pm.

Action Steps:

- Sarah Lydon will clarify age groups able to participate in RPL/RCSD Learning Labs
- Colleen will get quote from MightyNet for work on Destiny catalog.
- Faith will bring draft materials for ROCRead to the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Futrell and Molly Ortiz-Brazak