

5/19/20

Attendance:

Present: Molly Ortiz, Samantha Ericksen, Colleen Sadowski, Ryan Huges, Nicole Rosen, Melissa Frost, Julie Crowell, Karyn Bartnick, Melissa Carnevale, Julianne Wise, Sarah Ryan, Tonia Burton

Absent: Susan Reuter

Guests: None

1. Welcome: Called to order @ 3:35
2. Approval of minutes from 3/2/20 meeting, Melissa Frost motions to approve, Melissa Carnevale seconds, all in favor
3. Reports:
 - a. SLS Director:
 - i. Board approved closing several schools
 1. School 20, 44, 57, 43, BLL
 - a. School 43 was taken back by the city of Rochester so it will not be used
 2. RIA is losing K-6 and School 3 is turning into just 7-8
 3. School 25 has moved permanently to share Montessori space at Freddy Thomas
 4. Schools 2, 4, and 10 will be moving back into their buildings
 - ii. New Superintendent started today
 - iii. Staffing
 1. We are projected to lose 3.5 positions, down to 38 librarians
 2. Union claims we are only losing 2 positions if any
 - b. RRLC:
 - i. RRLC has moved.
 1. Offices are now located at 3445 Winton Place Suite 204 Rochester, NY 14623
 - ii. RRLC Virtual Meetups -
 1. Share topics you would be interested in attending or facilitating with RRLC
 2. Meetups are designed to be informal, community-building events that help the RRLC community stay connected
 - iii. Share Your Webinar Wishlist with RRLC.

1. Working on designing and organizing webinars to meet the current training needs of members.
 2. Looking for suggestions from members to create dynamic and timely webinars that meet you where you are — at your current learning needs, from your current location.
 3. If you have a webinar suggestion complete this form at <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScQ95d2R0f4hDRu5u5ml50jS717O681XTw-KPLebwFy5VbfOg/viewform>
- iv. RRLC is hosting Virtual Happy Hour: Freedomland U.S.A. Thursday May 21st at 4:00pm. Details and registration at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_HpAok1AvRM2XHP2UZ39BQ
- c. RPL:
- i. Curbside service started yesterday at Central Library
 1. This includes hotspot devices
 - ii. Most staff has been furloughed or has had reduced hours
 - iii. Greece Library has opened its doors (2 items per card, but no wifi or computer access)
 - iv. Some libraries have started opening their book drops
 1. All books have a due date of June 29th and will be quarantined for 72 hours before checking in
 - v. All in person programs have been cancelled
 1. Looking to find ways to create outdoor programs that incorporate social distance and are still safe for patrons
 2. Virtual programming has been happening
 - a. Works better for some branches rather than others
 - b. Fairport Library is offering virtual bilingual storytime (multiple languages)
 - vi. All materials money was switched over for electronic materials
 1. Many new titles have been added to Overdrive
 2. Tonia can purchase any books the district needs if she is asked
 - vii. Backpack kits are being offered for families to borrow that will include crayons, scissors, and other supplies needed for the activities
 - viii. They are currently printing materials for charter schools and can also print for the RCSD if needed
- d. Committees:
- i. III:
 1. No Report
 - ii. CCD/Special Clients:

1. Only Nicole could view the books at first, but Mackin claims the problem has been fixed
 - a. Melissa confirmed that it works as long as librarians have activated their MackinVia account
 - i. Melissa will send out a reminder email to everyone, their account password should be the same as their generic Destiny password
- iii. Technology
 1. Ask a Librarian
 - a. Seems to be the same students attending a certain time slot
 - b. Sarah had a new student today
 - c. We will continue doing Ask a Librarian to support our students
 2. Virtual teaching
 - a. The biggest challenge is getting students to attend zoom meetings
 - i. The best turnout is typically half the class
- iv. Cataloging:
 1. Catalog is a mess again
 2. Considering having one person import all records
 3. There is going to be textbook teams assigned by the principal that should be in charge of textbooks as well as inventorying textbooks annually
- v. Storytelling:
 1. No Report
- vi. Advocacy:
 1. NYLA Statement
 - a. NYLA planned to make a statement to School Board Association and Superintendents Association about the potential cuts of school librarians and how these cuts would negatively impact students
 - b. School library directors were not consulted
 - c. SLS Directors are upset with this statement and will be meeting tomorrow to discuss it
 2. Update the librarian job description to include what librarians are responsible for now
 - a. SLSC will brainstorm and come together during the June meeting to create the new description

3. Committee will get together and come up with a list of everything librarians are doing digitally to help their schools during this trying time
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- vii. Continue Education:
 1. Melissa plans to hold at least one more 2 hour virtual PD

 - viii. Literacy Initiatives:
 1. K-5 Pearson MYView
 - a. This will be used district wide and nothing else is to be purchased or used
 2. Culturally Relevant Book List/Summer List
 - a. Will be updated as librarians add titles

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New Business:

- Molly will send out an email for nominations for SLSC members
- Term is up for Samantha Ericksen, Melissa Carnevale, and Nicole Rosen
- Melissa Frost would like a one page sheet created for what to do if you are closing down a library due to school closures

Meeting adjourned at @ 5:40 pm

Future Meetings:

6/9/20 @ 3:30pm on ZOOM

Action Steps: