Guest: Lynn Anstey

Council Items (8:30 – 9:45):

Review/Approve Minutes February 8, 2011 Meeting – Fran/Sandy – Approved

**Funding Update 2010-11 and 2011-12** – Aid was distributed to the School Library Systems in October, January and March. Operating and Categorical Aid cover salaries. Supplemental Aid will rollover to next year to cover programs; NY has approved using some Supp Aid for salaries. Supplemental Aid will no longer have to be voted on every year but will be subject to the same percentage cuts as the other SLS funds.

**State Ed/DLD Update** [www.nysed.gov](http://www.nysed.gov) (particularly Race to the Top and P12 News) – DLD has cut staff too. Please pay attention when Katie sends out requests to “write your legislator!” Keep in mind that NOVEL is funded by IMLS funds not NYS. Other grants such as Improving Literacy through Libraries were cut from the current year’s federal budget. Please visit NYSED.gov frequently; here you can set up an RSS feed to stay informed. Race to the Top news is available here; Network Teams will soon be hired and they will be trained this summer in Albany. Katie will be a consultant to the team on matters related to school libraries. Draft regulations for teacher and principal evaluations are open for comment and are being presented to the Regents in May. Please monitor P12 E-Blast for resources.
The first states that were chosen for Race to the Top are a year ahead of NY. Virginia is serving as a model for other states. RI and TN have a head start on creating a state curriculum for libraries. Some are evaluating students based on projects.

Information Fluency Curricula and Continuum
New York City School Library Systems Information Skills Continuum
http://schools.nyc.gov/Academics/LibraryServices/StandardsandCurriculum/default.htm
Katie will get this printed and 3 hole punched for distribution to each library and will conduct staff development on it next year. This could possibly be the basis for a statewide for information skills curriculum.

Common Core/AASL Standards Crosswalk
http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/aasl/guidelinesandstandards/commoncorecrosswalk/index.cfm
ALA’s new Lesson Plan Database
http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/aasl/guidelinesandstandards/lessonplandatabase/lessonplandb.cfm
You will be able to contribute exemplary lesson plans here.

Regents Commission on Libraries The Regents requested submission of “vision for libraries in 2020” to which Katie responded. Thanks to those who contributed their ideas. A copy of her vision was distributed to council reps.

Member Plan The deadline for completion is May 31. Remember that it is an evaluation of your program and a conversation between you and your administrator about where your program is now and your goals for the future. Council reps are asked to gather their districts’ plans and get the bundle signed by a district administrator and then sent to SLS. BOCES compiles summary data and reports to DLD that it was completed. For those elementary schools without LMS, Katie will send the rubric to the principals. Perhaps reps could help clerks complete them; Katie is available for assistance.

LSTA 2011-12 This year’s grant paid for Media Literacy & STEM Workshops for secondary library/teacher teams. Lesson plans from them and teams at TST, ONC and CAY BOCES will be posted and also shared on the web. Chris Sperry from Project Look Sharp will conduct another series of workshops with up to 10 teams of elementary librarian / teacher (science or health) pairs. Workshop will be full day, scheduled in October, January and March

Adjourned at 10:25

Communication Coordinators (10:00 – 11:30):

Professional Development – Planning for 2011-12
Presenter & topic possibilities include: Kathleen Odean, Inquiry/Common Core, Assessment, 21st century skills. Debbie and Sandy had previously volunteered to help plan after-school workshops. Katie will try to schedule only one event or meeting per month.

The first SLS Council meeting is scheduled for September 27th 8:30 – 11:30 and then the OPALS Users meeting in the afternoon. The PD schedule will be available before the end of the school year.
and available in My Learning Plan.
https://www.mylearningplan.com/WebReg/Catalog.asp?D=14861

**SLMS conference 2011** – Scholarships: Cheryl Naslund, AnnaRose Foley, Rick Gridley and Lonna Piece have received scholarships and will be attending.

**SLMS Summer Leadership Institute Info and Scholarships**
http://fs6.formsite.com/BTbocesSLS/form48/index.html?1303935194088 There is a link within the application for the brochure. The deadline for submission is May 6th.

**SLST East Update** The 2012 SLMS Conference is May 3-5 at the Binghamton Riverwalk Hotel (formerly The Regency). SLS will try to provide more scholarships since lodging will not be necessary. The report from the SLST East meeting indicates that planning is a little ahead of schedule; committees are starting to meet; keynote speakers are hired; other authors are on board for book signings. A wiki will be readied for workshop proposals. Cards and “Save the Date” table placards will be taken to SLMS 2011 to promote the conference. PD hours will be calculated for workshops; teachers and administrators will be invited to participate.

SLST East is featuring Amy Dickinson at the May 9th meeting at the Riverwalk Hotel.

**Database Orders** Please send orders as soon as possible. Call Lynn with any questions. The regional Newsbank subscription is being canceled by SCRLC because usage is low. Tumblebooks prices have been negotiated to even lower per building cost. Kassie showed an app for smart phones for the Gale databases – register with Gale.

**Advocacy** – Katie summarizes many of the emails that she forwards. She will send links to ALA and NYLA Advocacy Resources (http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/aasl/aaslissues/issuesadvocacy.cfm and http://www.nyla.org/index.php?page_id=4)
Check SCRLC website for advocacy info and upcoming classes (www.scrlc.org).

**Library Services Updates** - BT BOCES has just changed to MS Outlook. We are currently rebuilding our website in SchoolCenter where we will be posting training and lots of other information. Telecom 5 will be on Friday, May 13 at BOCES. BOCES staff is available for new teacher orientations; we have booklets describing library services available on request.

**What’s New in Your District?**
South Central Regional Library Council will host several workshops during the summer including Disaster Series (covering topics such as water damage), 21st Century Customer Service and Greening your Library. Nora reports that they are doing more training online and most of their webinars are recorded; find links on their website. www.scrlc.org

Library staffing changes:
Binghamton CSD has 2 librarians retiring, Doris Roach and Diane Courtright. MaryAnn Karre will be working both at Horace Mann and Jefferson. Peg Gate will be at Roosevelt and Coolidge. Those four libraries will have aides; other elementaries will not.
BOCES Ed. Center does not know their budget until all the districts have submitted their Final Requests for Service.

Chenango Forks is eliminating the elementary LMS position and also the aide in the HS library.

Chenango Valley will have no further cuts to library staff.

Johnson City reports that no changes to library staff have been announced.

Maine-Endwell will probably retain all four FT LMS positions. The HS aide has been reassigned.

Owego-Apalachin plans no cuts for librarians but an aide and .5 clerk will be cut.

Susquehanna Valley will retain their librarians in the MS and HS but possibly lose one clerk.

Union-Endicott is consolidating LW West and Ann McGuinness into the AGM building. Carrie Potter was shared between the two buildings already. One full time clerk is being reassigned.

Vestal plans to cut one elementary LMS position and .5 TA position at VHS. There are no details yet of how the elementary position would be covered.

Whitney Point is maintaining its library staff. Jeff reports that each LMS has assumed a large role in technology training and tech support as a part of their duties.

Next meeting: September 27, 2011, 8:30 – 11:30 a.m., B-T BOCES ISC A