

UHLS E-Content Advisory Committee (ECAC) – Meeting Minutes

2/3/21

Attending via Gotomeeting.com: Judith Wines, Chair (RCSC), Jane Chirgwin (RENS), Natalie Hurteau, Secretary (UHLS), Melissa Tacke (CAST), Nathaniel Heyer (COLN), Kim Roppolo (STEP), Tim Burke (UHLS), Stephanie Anderson (APL), Geoffrey Kirkpatrick (BETH), Kristina Ronald (GUIL) Anne Pitlyk (UHLS), Sarah Clark (VOOR)

Absent:

Meeting called to order by J. Wines at 2:05 pm

Minutes: Were emailed to be reviewed by members before the meeting. G. Kirkpatrick made the motion to accept the minutes, N. Heyer seconds, motion passed.

Old Business:

RLA:

T. Burke provided an update to the committee on RLA. UHLS has already submitted the ECAC approved parameters; just waiting on the other systems to move forward.

Predicted to start within a month or two.

New Business:

- Overdrive authentication parameters for patrons in Overdrive: N. Hurteau reported that EGRN asked ECAC to review the parameters for patron authentication in Overdrive. The ECAC reviewed the decision to authenticate by patron agency and discussed whether or not this need to be revisited. After some discussion, it was decided that patron agency was still the best way to capture accurate statistics. No changes to the parameters will be made. UHLS will reach out to EGRN.
- ERO & CL: S. Anderson asked the ECAC to review the spending arrangement for ERO and CL. After some discussion the ECAC recommended APL/UHLS spend 70% of ERO funds on holds and 30% on metered. ECAC also recommended APL spend 70% on new non-fiction titles, and 30% on holds. A. Pitlyk and S. Anderson will monitor the trends of usage and spending and will report back if percentages need to be adjusted.
- Advantage: Members of ECAC have noticed that some advantage account holders are not purchasing items based on the recommended guidelines ECAC put forth. N. Heyer noted a purchasing hack to use when purchasing advantage titles; using two different web browsers at the same time to review the catalog. N. Hurteau will email the purchasing departments and remind them of the advantage guidelines, and the useful tactic of using two browsers.
- Contributions have been increased by 5% again this year. J. Wines asked ECAC to revisit this agreement, as it was a three agreement, as it might be coming to an end.
- Sora/Library Connect: N. Heyer reported that COLN had a patron issues with Sora and Library Connect. The patron complained that their child had access to mature titles in Overdrive. N. Hurteau reported that she had learned of the issue from COLN and

reached out to Overdrive. Overdrive stated that the document the school district signed to turn on Library Connect listed maturity level parameters, and it defaulted to a higher level of maturity. It was the school's decision/responsibility to change this parameter. N. Hurteau relayed this information to Capital Region Boces and Questar III.

- CL Funds: T. Burke reported CL would be receiving additional funds for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. CLAC will be meeting later this month to discuss the allotment of the additional funds, but this could mean renewing a subscription with Ancestry.com, or more non-fiction e-books.

Task Items:

- N. Hurteau to reach out to purchasing departments to remind them of the guidelines for advantage accounts.
- S. Anderson and A. Pitlyk will monitor Overdrive trends to see how to 70/30 split works
- ECAC to review three year contribution agreement
- UHLS will reach out to EGRN regarding parameters

Next Meeting: TBD

Adjournment: J. Wines made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 2:51 pm

Respectfully submitted, N. Hurteau