Liaison Report to MHLS Board of Trustees from Directors Association Meeting December 3, 2010 MHLS Auditorium

Action Items:

- 1. Approval of November 9, 2010 minutes
- 2. Erica Freudenberger (Red Hook Public Library) appointed as MHLS Board Liaison

Discussion Items:

- 1. System Services Ad Hoc Committee will meet initially after the January Director's Association Meeting
- 2. E-books have been launched for System libraries with great success
- 3. Still a slim possibility that ELFA could be passed in a special session (providing another \$160,000 in funding to MHLS); recommended that member libraries advocate that such a session take place
- 4. Ms. Smith-Aldrich reported that the outcome of the 2-4% Tax Cap Legislation and its impact on libraries is still unknown
- 5. Division of Library Development and New York State Library will be making layoffs
- 6. Save the Date: Library Advocacy Day is Tuesday, March 1
- 7. Retirement of Barbara Clapp from the Health Information Project was announced; the project may be able to continue in some form in conjunction with the Council on Addiction Prevention Education of Dutchess County
- 8. New Online Public Access Catalog will be launched in February
- 9. At the adjournment of the meeting, a presentation on the Nook e-book device was presented by Barnes & Noble