

**Liaison Report to MHLS Board of Trustees from
Directors Association Meeting
October 4, 2013
MHLS Auditorium**

Action Items:

1. Minutes from September 9, 2013, approved.
2. Changes to Resource Sharing Standards—Offline Circulation, approved.

Discussion Items:

1. MHLS Board President Hoffman: Reported that the MHLS Board has appointed a new Executive Director, Tom W. Sloan effective November 1, 2013.
 - a. Gave an update on the Executive Director Search: 30 applications and 20 fully qualified.
 - b. Announced that Sue Considine will be the guest speaker at the MHLS Annual Meeting on October 18 at the Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel.
 - c. Reviewed the status of the Mileage Equalization Grant.
2. Executive Director Nyerges:
 - a. Gave a brief introduction and welcome for the new Executive Director.
 - b. Announced that the MHLS Annual Meeting will be held on October 18 at the Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel.
3. Merribeth Advocate:
 - a. Reported that the Overdrive content funding has been basically flat while Overdrive circulation has increase 55.75 over this time last year.
4. Rebekkah Smith Aldrich:
 - a. Announced that all 414 libraries must file a tax cap report with the NYS Comptroller every year even if no vote was held.
 - b. Announced that October 21-16 is National Friends of Libraries Week.
5. Robert Drake:
 - a. Reported that Micro Soft will be ending Windows XP support in 6 months.
6. Eric McCarthy:
 - a. Announced that patron Self Registration has rolled out in a few locations.
 - b. Reported that there will be a Circ. Essential workshop on October 29.
7. New Business:
 - a. DA Recommendation to MHLS Board of Trustees Planning & Personnel Committee on the Member Library Mileage Equalization Grant: Hoffman I concerned that there is not agreement among diretors regarding whether or not we want reimbursement. The DA will be voting on the overall policy, and the details would be determined each year by the MHLS Board dependent upon available funding. Lawrence suggested 75% (instead of 65%) of the federal mileage rate be reimbursed by MHLS. The percentage is up for discussion, but the total dollar amount isn't.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 7, 2013

*Respectfully submitted by Frank Rees, Kent Public Library
November 13, 2013*