

**Liaison Report to MHLS Board of Trustees from
Directors Association Meeting
May 5, 2012
MHLS Auditorium**

Action Items:

1. Minutes from April 4, 2012, approved

Discussion Items:

1. Executive Director Mike Nyerges:
 - a. Announced MHLS Finance Committee proposed a new draft of the revised 2012 Budget, will now be reviewed by System Funding Task Force;
 - b. Revised Delivery agreement signed w Hudson River Transport realizing significant savings; expect access to Dutchess County in near future, helping to further reduce costs; reallocation of member library deliveries & additional holidays with no delivery with reduce costs.
 - c. Direct Access Plan revised & draft sent to DLD.
 - d. State redistricting will create new representatives for some member libraries;
 - e. 2011 member library data for receipts, expenditures, holdings, circulation & general information has been posted.
2. Rebekkah Smith-Aldrich:
 - a. NYS 2012 Budget is official, includes nearly 3% increase;
 - b. Reminded all member libraries and Friends groups with 501 (C) 3 status to file 990 or risk losing status;
 - c. Urged libraries applying for a Construction Grant to attend Construction Grant Workshop on June 20
3. Merribeth Advocate:
 - a. Announced 20 libraries will receive 2012 SRP mini-grants;
 - b. Selection of classics now available from Overdrive
 - c. Many member libraries are taking advantage of the school/public library partnership events being held in each of the counties.
4. Robert Drake:
 - a. Updated DA about hosting SAM locally & Millennium Offsite transition to take place in fall
5. Eric McCarthy:
 - a. Will hold a variety of workshops relating to ILS and database management;
 - b. Encouraged member libraries to clean up records before migration
6. Tom Lawrence:
 - a. Urged DA to consider common loan rules to help clean up ILS database before migration to new server and then Sierra

*Respectfully submitted by Erica Freudenberger
May 5, 2012*