

**Liaison Report to MHLS Board of Trustees from  
Directors Association Meeting  
July 25, 2014**

**Action Items:**

1. Minutes from June 5, 2014, approved.
2. Approved the Resource Sharing Committee's recommendation to remove the "Recent Searches" field from the OPAC due to patron privacy concerns. "Recent Searches" remembers what patrons have searched for even when they choose not to log on to the system.
3. Approved the Resource Sharing Committee's recommendations for a number of cosmetic changes to the new OPAC. [See meeting minutes for details. Minutes are available at <http://da.midhudson.org/da-meeting-minutes-archive/>.]

**Discussion Items:**

1. Tom Sloan, Executive Director:
  - a. Written report distributed. Tom was unable to attend the meeting due to a prior commitment.
2. Merribeth Advocate:
  - a. Reminded Directors that NYS law now requires public school districts to distribute applications for library cards and other library-related informational materials to students upon request of any public or association library within the school district's service area.
3. Rebekkah Smith Aldrich:
  - a. Urged Directors to comply with the NYS Nonprofit Revitalization by adopting conflict of interest and whistleblower policies.
4. Robert Drake:
  - a. Welcomed and introduced Thomas O'Connell—the new automation coordinator.
5. Reviewed& Discussed:
  - a. Member library owned Databases to be included in Sierra Search. Discussed at 7/10/14 Resource Sharing Advisory Committee meeting; New Business at 7/25/14 DA meeting; Action Item at 9/10/14 DA meeting.
  - b. 2015 Estimate of E-resources: databases, eBook/eAudio, catalogue enhancements, and Central Library, member library cost shares. New Business at 7/25/14 DA meeting; Action Item at 9/10/14 DA meeting.
  - c. 2015 Tentative Member Assessments. New Business at 7/25/14 DA meeting; discussion at 9/3/14 System Services Advisory Committee; Action Item at 9/10/14 DA meeting.

**Next Meeting: Friday, September 10, 2014**

*Respectfully submitted by Frank Rees, Saugerties Public Library  
August 27, 2014*

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