

**MHLS Directors' Association**  
**Business Meeting**  
**Tuesday, April 9, 2019 | 10:00 am--12:00pm | MHLS Auditorium**

Columbia County			Dutchess County			Greene County			Putnam County			Ulster County		
✓	Chatham	DeLisle		Amenia	Palombo	✓	Athens	Gruber	✓	Brewster	Loprinzo	✓	Esopus	Dittmar
✓	Claverack	Schoep		Beacon	Salierno		Cairo	Kamecke		Carmel	Buck	✓	Highland	Kelsall-Dempsey
	Germantown	Place	✓	Beekman	Fortier	✓	Catskill	Ray	✓	Cold Spring	Thorpe	✓	Hurley	Campbell
✓	Hillsdale	Gaskell	✓	Clinton	McGuirk	✓	Coxsackie	Benson		Garrison	McCreery	✓	Kingston	Menard
✓	Hudson	Chameides		Dover	Buckley		Greenville	Flach		Kent	Donick	✓	Marlboro	Jennerich
✓	Kinderhook	Dragon	✓	E Fishkill	Goverman		Haines Falls	Garcia	✓	Mahopac	Capozzella	✓	Milton	Skelly
	Livingston	Tremper-Wollerton	✓	Fishkill	Spann		Hunter	Bain	✓	Patterson	Harrison	✓	New Paltz	Giralico
✓	New Lebanon	Sears	✓	Hyde Park	Callahan		Windham	Begley		Put Valley	Farabaugh	✓	Phoenicia	Potter
✓	N Chatham	Wills	✓	LaGrange	DeBellis	<b>MHLS</b>  Aldrich v  Shedrick v  Conlin v  O'Connell						✓	Pine Hill	Vella
✓	Philmont	Farley		Millbrook	Woodin								Plattekill	Georghiou
✓	Valatie	Powhida	✓	NE Millerton	Leo								Rosendale	Alexander
			✓	Pawling	Avery							✓	Saugerties	Scott-Childress
				Pine Plains	Stork								Stone Ridge	Ford
			✓	Pleasant Valley	Pulice							✓	Ulster	Priest
				PPLD	Lawrence							✓	W Hurley	Lustiber
				Red Hook	Jardine								W Shokan	Lawlor
			✓	Rhinebeck	Cooke							✓	Woodstock	Kerr
				Rhinecliff	Bartlett									
			✓	Staatsburg	Rothman									
			✓	Stanford	Christiansen									
			✓	Tivoli	DePriore									
			✓	Wappingers	Harrison									

**10:04am Meeting called to order by Schoep**

**A. Action Items\* (30 minutes)**

1. Approval of Minutes: 2.20.2019 Giralco moves, Kelsall-Dempsey seconds, motion passes, with no revisions.
2. Delivery Service Financial Plan Recommendation, Spann moves, Dragon seconds, motion passes. Dragon notes that MH has not had an increase to member fees in eight years, has eliminated a full time position, and reduced costs in various ways. Aldrich summarized origin of these fees, instituted by the DA in response to state cuts during the recession.

3. Formation of a Delivery Service Financial Plan Task Force Kelsell-Dempsey moves, DeBellis seconds, passes. Aldrich comments that there will be a meeting within four weeks, which would then report to the SSAC & CL/CD which meet in May, in advance of a vote at the June DA mtg.
4. Reinstating Holds--Dragon moves, Spann seconds, passes.
5. Auto Renewal Notice Timing Thorpe moves, Dittmar seconds. Cooke, Starr Library in Rhinebeck, has piloted this feature, and reports that it works well: patrons appreciate it, and renewal stats go up considerably. Shedrick reports that renewal extends from the original due date. Goverman thinks 7:00 am is too early for text notification. Schoep suggest teaching patrons how to set their text notifications. Courtesy notices do not go to patrons who receive phone calls. Giralco asks is text in addition to emails, answer is yes. Two libraries have opted out of auto-renewals; expectation is to go live in mid-May, giving us time to notify patrons. Cooke will share the publicity he used. Three oppose, one abstains, motion passes.
6. Index Searching in Checkout. Default would still be barcode, would go into effect this week, as soon as Sierra turns ticket over. Fortier moves, Sears seconds, motion passes.

#### **B. New/Proposed Business & Information**

1. None

#### **C. Reports**

1. Advisory Committees (20 minutes)
  - a. System Services Advisory Committee report on meeting of 3.6.2019
  - b. Central Library/Collection Development Advisory Committee report on meeting of 3.20.2019
  - c. Resource Sharing Advisory Committee Meeting report on meeting of 3.13.2019
2. MHLS (40 minutes)
  - a. MHLS Report to Member Library Directors—Time sensitive issues:
    - **“Targeted Aid”**: What looks to be discretionary funds to schools, libraries and nonprofits was included. It is strongly suggested that you send in general requests for capital projects, program funds, etc. to your state legislators, as you normally do for “bullet aid,” to position your library as a recipient of these funds if at all possible.
  - b. Board Liaison Report of 3.30.2019 (next MHLS Board of Trustees meeting: May 8 @Kinderhook Memorial Library)

D. Tweet Out (30 minutes): **Fact is Stranger than Fiction: What’s the Craziest Thing That’s Happened in Your Library?** Each director had 30 seconds to speak on the topic; feel free to follow up with individual directors following the meeting.

#### **Adjournment at 12:02**

#### **Upcoming Events**

- May 3: DA Workshop Mtg (10:00am-12:00pm) – Things I Wish I Knew Before Becoming a Director
- May 16th, (10:00am-12:00pm): **2020 Census Presentation** by Mario D. Garcia, Partnership Specialist with the Census Bureau for the Lower Hudson Valley Region. The presentation will provide an overview of how Census data is collected and protected, the laws that ensure the Census occurs and how the Census Bureau operates, a brief overview about complete count committees and information about jobs that will be offered through the Census. Library

directors are encouraged to attend and bring along representatives from local government and community-based organizations interested in ensuring everyone is counted in your community (Will be streamed for those unable to attend in person, register [here](#).)

--June 11: DA Business Meeting (10:00am – 12:00pm); New Directors Forum (12:30-2:30pm)

Respectfully Submitted

Julie DeLisle, Secretary