Central New York Library Resources Council

Continuing Education

November 7, 2011

2:00pm

**Present:** Meg Van Patten (Baldwinsville Public Library), Chair; Louise Charbonneau (MVCC); Marianne Hanley (Syracuse University); Déirdre Joyce (Assistant Director, CLRC), liaison; Claire Enkosky (CLRC)

*via teleconference*

Julie Zhu (Bryant & Stratton College); Anne Debraggio (Kirkland Public Library); Jennifer Milligan (Sherrill Public Library)

**Excused:** Heather Urtz (MidYork Library Systems); Kyung Jin Park (OCPL)

Meeting called to order at 2:08pm.

Action items:

* Pursue information about NYS LA training for staff people (Anne)
* Pull the attendees list from Library Assistants’ Day and ask if they would attend a NYLA LA training in the CLRC service area. (Deirdre)
* Find a speaker for a statistical software (e.g. Gimlet) presentation (Louise)
* Find someone for a DHP audience to talk about finding aids (Marianne)
* Check to see if New York Archives has something about finding aids that we could adapt for DHP members (Deirdre)
* Send Deirdre information about free learning management systems (Julie)

Agenda

* Welcome and Introductions
* Previous meeting minutes
  + Anne moved to approve the September 12th, 2011 meeting minutes. (S/A).
* Winter/Spring catalog
  + We are working towards completion of the catalog. The dates for classes will be finalized this week. It is a complete list of the January to May classes.
  + A draft of the catalog will be sent out to the committee for review by the beginning of December.
  + Divided into categories: DHP, medical librarianship, management skills, technical training, and major events (Advocacy day and PubMed training). We will continue with First Mondays.
* Website feedback
  + The appearance was well reviewed. Anne felt it was easily navigable, especially with the calendar.
  + Registration forms will be implemented in the coming weeks. It is integrated into the new database.
  + We are also working on the transcript. Deirdre expects this to help promote the community that we are trying to establish around CLRC.
  + When all of the website is put together, Claire will create a web tutorial for the new website.
  + Anne asked if anyone had submitted a class idea. Deirdre reported that we have received one from Carol Youngs to teach librarians how to help patrons with resumes.
* Continuing Education Update
  + We had a lot of classes with a lot of good feedback.
    - Project management for librarians: second iteration. Out in Utica. A lot of people from Syracuse actually drove out.
    - Grantseeking basics
    - Basics of Archival Appraisal in Utica at Oneida Historical Society
    - Archives and Anniversaries on October 14th at Hamilton
    - Camtasia. We had two sessions. Both went well.
  + 5th Annual Library Assistants’ Day
    - 117 people registered. Probably a good group to focus on events in the future.
    - NYLA and ALA both have programs for this. These have issues for funding, though. Perhaps there are online alternatives to avoid the transportation bill.
    - We hosted the NYLA LA training here two years ago and it was the most poorly attended training session they’d ever seen. Meg suggested this could be an issue of marketing.
    - We will ask the attendees of the LA day event if they would attend a Syracuse-area NYLA training. Marianne suggests that we ask about a few different variations of online, physical, or a combination.
  + First Mondays
    - Inspired by RRLC, who get a speaker to come in every Monday. They are informal topics. The speaker acts as a facilitator.
    - Ours is even less formal. We have a focus of our discussion and then it’s brainstorming and regular chatting.
    - Meg likes our current set up. She described an event called Librarians Unlimited. All kinds of librarians came together for dinner about 5-6 times a year. Librarians Unlimited sort of disbanded a few years ago.
  + Upcoming
    - Preserving oral histories. This will be next week, November 17th. Online class through Lyrasis. Free to everyone via DHP.
    - QR codes coming up in December from Amigos.
    - Two medical classes from NLM/MAR. Kate Flewelling, formerly of Upstate, will come up for two classes.
    - In April we have The Ropes: Planning Instruction for the Adult Learner, which will be an all day event.
    - Preserving photographs online course from Lyrasis in January
    - Time management from New Horizons, an in-person class, is rescheduled for February.
    - College and Universities Archive roundtable for March.
    - Deirdre is working with somebody from Salina Free library to come up with something to get public librarians and school librarians to happen in March and discuss technology. This would be coordinated with BOCES to occur on Superintendant’s days. Meg mentioned that in the Syracuse area, school media specialists have to do professional development on Saturdays.
* NYLA Continuing Education Update (Meg)
  + Meg will again be chairing the continuing education committee for NYLA.
  + The CE committee sponsored three CEs at the conference, although one had to be canceled because the speaker was sick and no one could substitute. There were 10 in the sign language session and about 18 in the labor relations session.
  + With the changes in the NYLA staff, hopefully more marketing will be generated.
  + Meg is going to send out a one question survey: If you were going to attend a CE at NYLA, what’s the one thing you really want to know and learn?
  + Several years ago, NYLA did regional training. The first one was about ethics and it moved around from Rochester to Plattsburgh. This coming year, NYLA may do the same thing (moving the same talk around the state physically), but perhaps they will also do video conferencing to broadcast each session to other BTOP locations.
* Workshop Ideas
  + To accommodate tough schedules, Deirdre suggests that we pursue night, online classes.
  + Still working on contacts for workshops from September meeting ideas, like the genealogy session.
  + Anne suggests something to do copyright.
  + Marianne and Peter Verheyen of SU did a book repair and preservation online presentation recently. This could possibly be reconfigured with CLRC’s WebEx subscription or SU’s Adobe Connect. Perhaps it would distinctly address public librarians and then preservationists.
    - Deirdre questioned the value of separating the two audiences. Marianne suggested that public librarians are usually doing book repair in a quick method whereas preservationists are working more meticulously as a science. Anne and Meg both report that their libraries are inclined to simply rebind items.
    - Anne suggests that CLRC help get historical societies together with public libraries.
  + Julie suggests that CLRC look into free learning management systems, like Moodle. Deirdre expresses concern about the staff time required for maintaining or organizing such a system.
  + Anne suggests we address something about public libraries going Dewey free. DeWitt and Onondaga Free (under Susan Rackow) did a blend: arranged the books by category, like “Self Help,” but within the section they’re organized by Dewey. Marianne worked at DeWitt during the switch, and they got very mixed reviews. This might be a good roundtable or First Monday.
    - Anne suggests doing a broader topic, like collection arrangement.
  + Louise brought up the topic of textbooks and their many different purchasing options, especially how librarians should work with their college’s administration. This would be a good topic for a roundtable. In June, we’re doing a conference with NYSHEI about academic libraries.
* Other
  + The cooperative CE group of the 3Rs is working with Amigos. One of the classes is working with Open Source programs and the second is Advanced Twitter.
  + CLRC wants to see more participation from east side librarians. It may be a communication problem coming from CLRC. It may be a marketing problem. It might be a perception issue.
    - Meg suggests that we should include “please forward this to anyone who may be interested” in every email about classes.
    - Meg also suggests that we put something prominent on our publications to emphasize the listserv.

Next meeting: Monday, **January 23rd, 2012 at 2pm**

Anne makes a motion to adjourn (S/A). The meeting is called to a close at 3:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Claire Enkosky

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