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## LACUNY Reserves Roundable Meeting Minutes, October 2010

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**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2010 MEETING  
LACUNY RESERVES ROUNDTABLE**

October 5, 2010, 3:00 pm

Library Conference Room, John Jay College

**Members in attendance:**

Hannah Alcasid, Hunter  
Ida Bazan, Medgar Evers  
Angelina Brea, Lehman  
Dean Bryan, Central  
Kathleen Collins, John Jay  
Rhonda Johnson, Hostos  
Curtis Matthew, Grad Ctr  
Ann Matsuuchi, La Guardia  
Addy Soto, Lehman  
Olga Snaider, Central Office  
Jeanne Yan, Hunter  
Simone Yearwood, Queens

Olga demonstrated the upcoming new version of Aleph reserves module (see below for access to the PowerPoint\*\*). She pointed out that there are two types of reports available in CUN30 – Course03 and RESE (though some libraries have different or additional reserve collections and Olga can generate reports for these upon request). Course03 includes items linked to an inactive course, and RESE + library code include all the items in a library's reserve collection with the status 03. In the new version, course types will be of two types: "common," where there is a shared reading list, no affiliated instructor, and no date; and "individual." Common course cannot be reclassified as individual, but individual can be added to common courses. Common type of course is optional and is suitable for use for courses that are taught in multiple sessions and for which there is a common corpus of reading material that is used in all sessions of a course.

Olga urged all to check their local report results to take care of related questions before the new version testing generates a new batch of questions. The upgrade to Version 20 is planned for August 2010. Several members of the group agreed to use the reports to clean up their reserves modules by December.

After Olga's presentation, Dean took requests from the group about the Version 19 upgrade training protocol. Addy and Rhonda suggested a model whereby issues would be shared with the entire group so that everyone has the same information even if they are not currently experiencing a particular problem. Simone asked about the possibility of remote testing before the first in-person training session, and Dean said that would likely be possible.

Ida raised the question of e-textbooks and e-readers and their use on various campuses as well as the problem of licenses with e-textbooks. Simone reported that Queens is on the

verge of beginning a loan program for Sony e-readers. Rhonda reported that a faculty member at Hostos wanted the library to buy access for online supplements to a textbook, but the library felt (and this group generally agreed) that the library would support core reading material, but not supplemental, esp. when at great financial cost to the library. The group continued to discuss the limitations of e-publishing and the differences between various vendors/interfaces, e.g. NetLibrary, ebrary, Overdrive which can be confusing for users.

Curtis reported that the Grad Center is planning to eliminate the use of Docuteck for e-reserves and wanted to find out if other libraries were having problems with using it. The main problem at the GC is storage space since the GC's IT department limits the amount of space on their server that the DocuTek system can consume. Jeanne reported that at Hunter, the art dept. are heavy space users on DocuTek because of so many images. Curtis also reported learning that SirsiDynix, the relatively new owner of DocuTek is no longer supporting DocuTek. Other group members had not heard this and expressed concern. Angelina asked the group about passwords and whether they remain active even when course pages are inactivated (they do).

Jeanne asked the group, on behalf of David at Hunter, whether any CUNY libraries have a quick reference guide for faculty for using E-reserves and whether or if they promote e-reserves and how. Whereas most group members report their libraries having heavy use (if slightly declining in recent years) of Docutek, Hunter seems to be pushing for more use of the system.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm

*Submitted by Kathleen Collins, John Jay College*

\*\*Access to PPT:

<http://docs.exlibrisgroup.com/docportal/logon.php>  
username=01cuny  
password=thecity

From left side menu: Aleph > Tree search  
In results list, scroll down to "How to from support"  
The scroll down to "Course\_Readings\_19+"