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## **Minutes – LACUNY Acquisitions Roundtable Meeting, November 13, 2008**

### **Attendees:**

Dean Bryan (Central)

Jung M Cho (QB)

Marsha Clark (Central)

Dorothea Coiffe (BMCC)

Linda Dickinson (Hunter)

Nancy Egan (JJ)

Jane Fitzpatrick (GC)

Delores Grande (JJ)

Timothy Hasin (SI)

Maria Kiriakova (JJ)

Nancy Macomber (CUNY Law)

Ann Matsuuchi (BC)

Cecilia Salber (KB)

Chip Stewart (CC)

Sharon Swacker (City Tech)

Jennifer Tang (HO)

Linda Wadas (BMCC)

Mike Waldman (BB)

Ed Wallace (LE)

## **Announcements:**

Co chair Cecilia Salber thanked Mike Waldman for reserving the Baruch Library conference room for us for our meeting.

Co chair Cecilia Salber relayed a message of apology from Sunny Yoon. She had a meeting conflict and was unable to attend our meeting. She asked that we contact her if anyone had questions that she might be able to answer.

Marsha Clark announced that the software was being installed for the ExLibris statistical product ARC (Aleph 500 Reporting Center), and that you will see a user guide when you log into ExLibris Training. Dean Bryan said there is a tutorial, a nice demo.

## **Agenda:**

### **Acquisitions climate on campuses**

Librarians reported having varying book budgets ranging from the same as last year, to reduced from last year, to none at all.

### **Acquisitions of Videos**

The discussion covered how the acquisitions of videos varies from campus to campus. At least two Media librarians attended the meeting, as on many campuses, it is the Media librarian and not the Acquisitions librarian, who purchases videos. The discussion touched on the percent of video purchases based on faculty requests as opposed to the percent chosen by librarians.

Nancy Egan said the average at college libraries is 70% faculty requests, 30% chosen by librarians. The discussion turned to vendors used to purchase videos. One librarian said there was no good overall vendor, while another said that she used 20 vendors, including Amazon. Several librarians recommended various vendors, including DV&A, Facets, California Newsreel, and B&T. The discussion also covered the problems associated with getting all these vendors to recognize and accept our sales tax exempt status. The discussion also covered copyright and licensing issues, and how videos are incorporated into Blackboard, and that videos cannot be borrowed via CLICS. One Media librarian expressed interest in meeting with the other Media librarians.

### **Amazon Purchase Order Accounts**

There was a discussion of using Amazon to purchase videos. Maria Kiriakova is successfully doing this. She said the website to be used to view the invoices is [www.gemoney.com/amazon](http://www.gemoney.com/amazon). An account has to be created in order to view this site. It took several phone calls by the John Jay library bookkeeper to establish the account which now works fine. She said the Amazon contact person will be able to help

create an account. The invoices must be paid promptly. Other librarians use credit cards for video purchases.

### **Last Copy Policy For Books**

The librarian who asked that this be on the agenda did not attend the meeting, and we therefore did not hear the particulars of what he had in mind. A brief discussion of the concept led to the conclusion that it was not necessary or feasible for us.

### **EBooks**

Chip Stewart initiated this discussion. He purchased several individual Ebooks, and wanted to know if anyone was purchasing titles individually. Jane Fitzpatrick and Maria Kiriakova are doing so. There followed a discussion of the pricing of Ebooks, the different pricing models, and the total lack of any discounts. It was also mentioned that usage statistics for NetLibrary seemed to be low, and perhaps not accurate. Two librarians mentioned waiting for the loading of cataloging records for Ebooks, such as those from EBRARY.

### **Federated Searching Products**

A discussion of the cataloging of the individual titles in databases such as the Gale Virtual Reference Library led to a discussion of how to make it easier for our patrons to access all that we have. Baruch has the Bearcat Search federated search tool from Serials Solutions. Dean Bryan mentioned two similar products – Primo and Encore. There was interest in these products.

### **New Business**

Marsha Clark, Dean Bryan, and Linda Dickinson are working on how Aleph will connect with CUNY First. Marsha would like to see copies of invoices as they appear when you send them on to accounting. She wants to see the codes and signatures that are put on invoices, cover letters for invoices, etc. Please send to Marsha Clark in care of the Newman Library at Baruch. You can fax to her attention at 646 312-1691 or send to her as pdf. **UPDATE:** Marsha Clark reports that there was a CUNY First meeting on Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, and the main piece of information from the meeting is that an interface between Aleph and CUNY First will not happen until after CUNY First is up and working.

Serials Solutions - Marsha was asked at the meeting how often Serials Solutions records are loaded. **UPDATE:** Marsha looked into this and asked that this be added into the minutes – “Updates, Adds, and Deletes and done once a month. So if we needed to make a correction to a subject in a record we could do it and it would stay there.”

Marsha Clark reminded everyone that we are meeting with representatives from Coutts at 57<sup>th</sup> St. at 9:30am on Tuesday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Meeting** Our Spring 2009 meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 26, 2009. We hope to once again have the conference room at Baruch in the afternoon. Confirmation will follow.

Respectfully submitted by Cecilia Salber, co chair Acquisitions Roundtable