

Educational Services Advisory Committee Minutes

10/6/2020, 10:00am

Online via Zoom

Present: Camille Andrews (Cornell); Megan Benson (BU); Amanda Calabrese (SUNY Delhi); Lauren Delaubell (SUNY Cortland); Laura Kuo (IC); Brian Lee (4CLS); Jessica Philippe (SCRLC)

Excused: Jenny Shonk (FLLS)

Ithaca College committee participation

Welcome to Laura Kuo, the Health Science Librarian at IC.

Around the table

Megan: The City of Binghamton is experiencing a surge in covid cases. BU had 78 cases last week, so was anticipating having to shut down for 2 weeks (they moved to remote instruction Oct. 8). They have not had any layoffs yet, but hiring was frozen. There will be 2 positions opening up soon, however.

Brian: Some of their libraries are appointment only; some are open with restricted hours. The books are under quarantine for 7 days. They have had to cut back on databases.

Lauren: At SUNY Cortland they reached the 100 cases threshold and were moving to remote instruction as of Oct. 7. They have not had any layoffs, but have a reduced budget.

Amanda: They have 800 students on campus and 9 covid cases. They are short staffed and will be reviewing subscriptions to say where they can save on the budget. SUNYLA 2021 is supposed to be held at Delhi, so they are deciding whether to do a hybrid conference or all virtual.

Camille: Cornell had a spike, but it's now under control with only 4 active cases. The library is offering contactless pickup. They are open for classes at Mann, and offer study sessions by appointment. They have not had many layoffs and will be hiring a Law Librarian.

Recent events review

We had 3 online workshops since the last meeting, as well as an online book discussion and we co-hosted the annual Resource Sharing User Group Meeting. The MarcEdit workshop had 51 attendees. The online book discussion had 15 participants initially and ended with 8. The Academic Libraries program had 91 register and about half attended. We got to use Bryan Alexander's online platform, Shindig. The CDL program had 104 attendees and very positive feedback. The Resource Sharing workshop had 80 attendees, with 16 attending from the SCRLC region.

Upcoming events review

Online book discussion on “Caste” was cancelled due to low registration.

[Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Audits & SCRLC Annual Meeting](#), 10/30

Committee members join us for this if you can!

[NYLA Conference | ESLN Program: Resisting Achievement Culture](#), 11/5

[NYLA Conference | ESLN Program: The Lemonade of Crisis Response](#), 11/6

[Communications: Stemming the Tide](#), 11/12

[Communications: Being Understood](#), 11/19

Indigenous Community Outreach, 12/14

+Continuing to share other council events and collaborate

Brainstorming events for 2021

Suggestions included what does a post-covid world look like? What do our library spaces look like in a post-covid world? Laura has a contact at Holt Architects in Ithaca and they were quoted in an American Libraries article about library spaces for now and post-covid. Jessica will contact them about doing a webinar. Jenny mentioned via email that her members are most interested in webinars on doing community outreach during covid. If committee members think of other ideas, please email me.

Educational Services Summary (statistics)

SCRCL hosted 97 events in the last fiscal year (double what was offered the previous year) and had 1,385 participants, compared to 894 in 2019; 671 in 2018; and 681 in 2017. We will see if this year has the same level of engagement.

Plan of Service update: A POS membership survey will be sent out soon and it includes some educational services questions. We will review the survey results at our January meeting.

2021 Meeting Schedule:

January 6, 10:00 - 11:00am

April 7, 10:00 - 11:00am

July 7, 10:00 - 11:00am

October 6, 10:00 - 11:00am