Present: Doyin Adenuga (Houghton), Peter McCracken (Cornell), Erika Jenns (STLS), Suellen Christopoulos-Nutting (NY Chiropractic College), Matthew Kopel (Cornell; National Digital Inclusion Alliance), Julia Corrice, Mary-Carol Lindbloom. Excused: Mary Kay Welgoss (TST BOCES SLS), Andrew Dutcher (CO BOCES SLS), Susanna Van Sant (TC3).

Welcome and Introductions. Introductions were made. Erika Jenns is joining the Committee from STLS. Her position includes managing websites from libraries, the system webpage, and digital collections. Peter, also fairly new, is the Acquisition & E-Resource Strategy Librarian at Cornell working with licensing, EZproxy, FOLIO, and access to electronic resources. EBSCO is supporting FOLIO with funding, but FOLIO is open source. EBSCO will provide support to those libraries that need it.

Review of Notes from the Last Meeting. No changes to notes from August. Mary-Carol reviewed history of the Shark/Guppy tank concept.

RBDB 2018 Program Update. The program ends calendar year; funds are almost expended. It’s important that all program budgets are zeroed out—RBDB, HLSP, and MISP all have to be fully expended. Any leftover funding from the operating budget goes into the cash balance. Matthew asked if AskUS will be ending in the near future. Mary-Carol indicated probably not. There have been 6-8 participants; we are paying a consortial membership. It may be cheaper for libraries to join directly with SCRLC continuing to cost-share. This change will be seamless to the participants (i.e., SCRLC continues to bill out). We will know soon which approach we are taking. BARC costs will remain the same despite increased volume.

RBDB 2019

- Budget-- Mary-Carol shared the preliminary 2019 budget and talked through the allocations. SCRLC has 3 fiscal years and the budget structure can be complicated, but it can also make it easier to move funding between program years. RBDB is one of the more straightforward budgets. Board will be doing a budget amendment this week and approved the 2019 RBDB budget, as well.

- Outside Review Panel Recommendations/Grant Applications-- Julia reviewed the outside review panel recommendations. There were over $43,000 in asks and initially $26,000 in funding. Two levels of funding were suggested—one holding to $26,000, and one with additional funding added. Matthew expressed concern for whether or not grantees were examining FERPA compliance with student works. While Yearbooks appear to be
exempt, student newspapers and literary journals may have restrictions. Julia will compose a question on this subject for the Ask The Lawyer service, and Matthew will speak to the lawyer at Cornell. It would be helpful to add a note in either the application or project plan to make sure members are thinking about FERPA in project proposals.

Horizon Report 2018. One piece that popped out at Mary-Carol and Julia was the Digital Equity piece--there is a Digital Inclusion Summit in Geneva in January. Suellen mentioned that the Equal Opportunity Center in Syracuse didn’t see this advertised--it might be a good idea to connect to local non-library organizations. Matthew (through work with NDIA) said other anchors and community members are very much invited, and that speaking to local community members would be a good idea.

Shark/Guppy Tank Grant Round. Input from the All-Advisory Committee Meeting--Mary-Carol had explained background about idea there as well, and we split into groups to discuss how the project might manifest. She had distributed the typed up notes from the flip charts prior to our meeting. One group had concerns about the competitive nature of the program. They suggested more of a “remora” approach. Peter will be participating in a shark tank type program in mid-February at a conference and will provide feedback. ACITS wondered: Could an outside review panel be possible if travel needs to happen, and they would need to be paid? Would the program be better-funded through SCRLC operating funds? The ESLN directors worked with DLD to revise the RBDB Regulations--the library community will have a comment period, as well. After that, the Guidelines will be revised. The process may take a solid year. Mary-Carol mentioned that it’s not definite that we *have* to do this project in its current form. Would just having separate grant category for new initiatives or innovations be a better approach?

2019 Activities. In addition to carry-over activities, Julia suggested that a quick review of the NYH in 2019 would be helpful. The committee should review the Digital preservation needs assessment survey. How should group be involved in OER? Doyin mentioned that a focus on OER would be good because smaller colleges aren’t research colleges, and that we could bring more attention to this subject for smaller organizations. Matthew suggested that starting an ad hoc group in the region for people who are doing this might be a good idea before trying to figure out external ways to steer, so we can create a profile of the value of this section of work for the region so more support can be provided for institutions. We will also hone in on the innovative technologies grant application process. SCRLC is shifting committee activities to July-June to align with the Plan of Service and annual Council Work Plan, so we are looking for 18 months out for the activities/objectives. Julia suggested a technology roundtable where we discuss new or emerging technology and how it might affect the region.

A Chair for the committee was discussed--no one volunteered to take the position. A chair is also good to review ideas between meetings. Group agreed that Mary-Carol and Julia should continue to co-chair.

Around the Table

Doyin--Houghton is looking into OER and hope it will help students. A number of LibGuides were found discussing about how it is helpful for colleges. Their plan for ILS migration is going smoothly.

Suellen--Rosemarie is retiring, and Suellen will be taking over serials in addition to her current duties. Suellen is reviewing EBSCO holdings, but there are over 800 titles in EBSCO. They are hiring a new librarian for cataloging. Julia offered her assistance if they needed any type of
training in that area.

Matthew is now fully at Cornell, but still working with NDIA, and possibly SUNY Central for OA policy rollout--OA policies have to be in place in March of 2020.

Julia is working on rights statement implementation and increasing access oral history collections in NYH.

Notes taken by Julia.