



**SCRLC Advisory Committee on Information Technologies and Services
Monday, May 11, 2020 11:00 AM
Zoom Room
Notes**

Present: Doyin Adenuga (Houghton C), Suellen Christopoulos-Nutting (NYCC), Erika Jenns (STLS), Matthew Kopel (Cornell U), Susanna Van Sant (TC3), Mary-Carol Lindbloom; **Excused:** Peter McCracken (Cornell U), Mary Kay Welgoss (TST SLS)

Welcome and Introductions

Review of Notes from the Last Meeting – The spelling of Matthew’s last name (one “p”) was corrected – Mary-Carol will ensure it is spelled correctly elsewhere.

RBDB 2020

- **Budget.** The grants were awarded in January (90%; 10% withheld until reporting is in). RBDB, like all budgets, will experience at least a 2.59% decrease as per the approved state budget. This decrease can be accommodated without major changes. We may even see a 20% decrease, and if it is greater than this either SCRLC will need to go even deeper into the cash reserve to pay for LRC or cancel it until funding is restored.

- **EBSCO**

- **Statistics.** The Committee reviewed both Consumer Health Complete and Literary Reference Center. CHC is paid out of the MISP budget and could be continued for one more year because the current year was paid primarily out of the previous year’s funds and medical/health ILLs declined. **Recommendation:** The Committee recommended that in this uncertain time, keeping the current subscriptions, minus Art Museum Imagine Gallery, which is not going to be available in the years ahead (but we could pre-pay before June 30 if we wanted one last year).

The statistics had some interesting spikes. Matthew suggested that one might be due to a dietician intern program. It was also pointed out that the change in just one faculty can alter use statistics.

- **Products.** EBSCO offered some eBook/one-time purchase alternatives to CHC that could get more use (the Committee preferred keeping CHC). They are also enabling free access to four eBook sets from now until the end of the year, primarily geared toward schools and public libraries. Mary-Carol will send the information to libraries in the next day (cannot post to scrlc-l, since it is only for SCRLC libraries).

Digital Services Program Update

- Digital Services Librarian Position. SCRLC is finishing the interview process via Zoom. Mary-Carol noted that Jessica was hired via a GoToMeeting interview, and that the interview process can be a good one. She expects to make a job offer soon, despite the situation with COVID-19.

Programs/conference/innovations of interest?

- Matthew mentioned the [Digital Library Federation \(DFL\) Forum](#). It has moved to online this year and will be held in November.
- Susanna reminded us of the SUNYLA conference that is happening online. Registration is free to SUNYLA members and \$10.00 for everyone else. <https://sunyla2020.wordpress.com/>

Old Business:

- **Dolphin Cove Grant Round.** This is now on hold due to COVID-19 (it was to be an in-person event) and known funding levels.
- **Design Team-- SCRLC's 2021-2026 Plan of Service.** Mary-Carol expects to convene the group over the summer. It has been on hold amidst the uncertainty and waiting for the ESLN strategic document, as well, which has now been received.

Around the Table

- Matthew: Cornell has held planning meetings with university policy officers around the country on Zoom. Cornell travel has been canceled for the foreseeable future. Matthew also mentioned the [National Emergency Library](#) from the Internet Archive. It is a temporary collection designed to “support emergency remote teaching, research activities, independent scholarship, and intellectual stimulation while universities, schools, training centers, and libraries are closed.”
- Doyin: Houghton's graduation is online, with the keynote speaker being Houghton alumnus Dr. Deborah L. Birx of the US Coronavirus. The commencement ceremony, including Dr. Birx's remarks, are [here](#). Her introduction begins at 19:30.
- Erika: The STLS virtual programming has been going well, and their member meetup (coffee klatches) have been well-attended. She also mentioned the reopening guidelines that STLS developed that are available on their website: <https://www.stls.org/coronavirus/>.
- Susanna: TC3 has switched its chat platform to LibAnswers and is integrating into other resources like the EBSCO databases. TC3's Facebook page has been very active.
- Suellen: Congratulations to Suellen on the completion of her doctorate in educational leadership from the University of Rochester. Commencement was the following weekend. They, too, will have an online graduation with maybe something in-person at a later time. She took the ALA copyright law and eCornell on leadership in an online environment. She created videos for the NYCC students on access to library resources. It is challenging to find ebooks that cover chiropractic.