



**SCRLC Advisory Committee on Information Technologies and Services**  
**Monday, May 16, 2022 10:00 AM**  
**Zoom Room**  
**Minutes**

**Present:** Susanna Van Sant (TC3), Doyin Adenuga (Houghton), Erika Jenns (STLS), Peter McCracken (Cornell); Claire Lovell, Mary-Carol Lindbloom.

**Excused:** Mary Ann Munroe.

- **Reviewed** [Notes](#) from Last Meeting.
- **EBSCO Statistics**
  - Claire [shared a report of the EBSCO database use](#). The two databases SCRLC pays for, Consumer Health Complete (CHC) and Literary Reference Center (LRC), are generally underutilized.
    - CHC was accessed in 2363 sessions among all members from April 2021 through April 2022. Nearly 70% was from academics. Nearly 26% was from schools.
    - LRC was accessed in 3120 sessions among all members from April 2021 through April 2022. Nearly 47% of use was from schools and another 47% of use was from academic libraries.
    - Claire explained that a likely reason is that public libraries do not have these databases integrated into a discovery layer like the academic libraries do, so patrons have to go seek out the databases to search.
  - Peter suggested that for the databases SCRLC provides, SCRLC should be named, e.g. Consumer Health Complete - funded by South Central Regional Library Council. Library systems are encouraged to do this; Claire could also create this change but we will let libraries know if we make the change. There was some concern that the change could be more global than just the SCRLC databases.
  - While showing the admin options, an issue was discovered with the SCRLC admin account.
- **2022 Meetings**
  - We will need to schedule an ACITS meeting for June 2022, particularly to discuss 2022-2023 activities
  - Mary-Carol will send a Doodle poll to the committee members.

- **Committee Members**

- Liz Hicks left Northeast College of Health Science and therefore, the committee.
- We will put out a call for new committee members.
- If anyone has a recommendation or nomination, please send the name to Mary-Carol or Claire.

- **SCRLC Staffing**

- The Outreach Services Librarian (who handles the Hospital Library Services Program and Resource Sharing) has not yet been replaced. The Member Services Librarian, Jessica Philippe, will go on a leave of absence for a year.
- We may retool the responsibilities of the two positions and we will need to hire temporary help for this year.

- **ARPA**

- Grants have been extended to March 31, 2023 (rather than June 30, 2022). This is great news, as we'll have more time to demonstrate results and report effectively.

- **Digital Services**

- There are many contributors working right now, which has given Claire lots of collections to add to NYHeritage. ARPA-funded projects are the largest. The ARPA project that SCRLC is administering, with a paid intern working on the Flood of 1972, has led to at least two new SCRLC members: Steuben County Historical Society and the Cayuga Museum of History and Art.
- There are also collections from the Consider The Source NY project we're working on with the NYS Archives Partnership Trust, which aims to bring local history primary sources into the classroom. Digital collections done through this project should in some way reflect historically marginalized groups.

- **CE Ideas**

- We're always looking for new continuing education or professional development ideas. If there's anything that would help you and your coworkers, please share with Mary-Carol.

- **Around the table**

- Houghton College's graduation was last week and went well. Houghton College has a new president, Dr. Wayne D. Lewis, Jr.
- Cornell University has a new University Librarian, Elaine Westbrook, from the University of North Carolina. She worked at Cornell years ago and everyone is excited to have her back.
- Cornell implemented Folio successfully.
- TC3 has a new president coming from Onondaga Community College, who starts at the beginning of June: Dr. Amy Kremenek.

- **2022-2023 Technology & Digitization Grant Applications & Outside Review Panel Recommendations**
  - Doyin & Erika were recused, since Houghton and STLS have applications under consideration.
  - Mary-Carol noted that SCRLC board members with applications under consideration will also be recused from that part of the meeting.
  - Claire showed Susanna, Peter, and Mary-Carol the spreadsheet of scores and funding recommendations as completed by the external review committee, and made note of some of their conclusions. Susanna and Peter remarked that the external review committee did excellent, thorough work, and neither had additional comments or any concerns.
  - Susanna and Peter, on behalf of ACITS, recommend to follow the recommendations made by the external reviewers.

Minutes taken by Claire.