Executive Committee of the Members Council on Library Services (MCLS)

Friday, September 7, 2021 – 10:00-11:30 a.m. EST

Committee Members: Stephen Banister (TCC), Christine Boatright (FGC), Gale Etschmaier (FSU), Brent Mai (UNF), Morgan Tracy (SSC), Judith Russell (UF).

Guests: Ellen Bishop, Tim Brown, Wendy Ellis, Brian Erb, Rachel Erb, Susan Rodgers, Elijah Scott, Rebel Cummings-Sauls, Lisa Tatum, Dave Whisenant.

Call to Order
Called to order at 10:00 am.

Approval of Minutes
Boatright made a motion to approve the August 20 meeting minutes. Russell seconded; motion passed.

FSU/NWRDC/FLVC Update
Scott announced the rescheduled NRWDC Governance Board Retreat is scheduled for Wednesday, September 15. The meeting is an open meeting. Anyone is welcome to attend. Scott will send out the meeting information.

Updated MCLS Operating Procedures
Whisenant presented the updated MCLS Operating Procedures with proposed changes from the August 20 Executive Committee meeting. Discussion followed. The updated MCLS Operating Procedures will be added to the Members Council meeting agenda.

Library Services Updates
Executive Director
Scott reported that the fall workshops with Ex Libris have begun. There will be a total of 10 workshops. The first workshop covers E-Resources. Each workshop will be repeated.

Integrated Library Services
Bishop reported the official Implementation Project ends September 21. It will then switch to support, which means there will no longer be access to the Ex Libris team that has been working on the implementation. FLVC will switch regular support just like all Ex Libris customers. There will be a monthly meeting to go over any issues or cases. Since July 13 the FLVC help desk has had approximately 2300 cases. Of those 2300, 1876 cases have been closed. There are about 492 cases still open. Bishop reviewed Ex Libris’s development paths and timelines. Discussion followed.
Since Alma/Primo Ve is a cloud-based software, there are new releases deployed every month. New releases are deployed the first Sunday of every month. Two weeks prior the new release is added in the sand box with notes. The five topics covered in the fall workshops are Managing E-resources, Primo/ Ve, Managing Physical Resources, Cataloging, and Alma Analytics. All the ILS working groups and discussion groups were sun setted at the end of August. Those members were subscribed to existing related subject lists.

E-Resources
Scott updated the committee on the statewide collection negotiations to include ProQuest, Sage Premier, S&P Net Advantage, and Elsevier.

Library Support and Training
Whisenant reported work on OpenAthens implementation has started back up since the ILS implementation is complete.

Digital Services and OER
Cummings-Sauls reported the ZTC webinar was a success. The recording is available. Islandora is moving along. Islandora 2.0 is a possibility for the DISC recommendation. OJS has been successful.

New business
Scott proposed to create a MCLS Electronic Resources Management Standing Committee (ERMSC). Currently there is not a committee that handles the management of electronic resources in the ILS. There was not a needed in Aleph, but in Alma there presents a need. The ERMSC would be charged to Develop, discuss, share, and document local and FLVC best practices to effectively use the Alma system to manage electronic resources across the entire lifecycle, including acquisitions, access, administration, troubleshooting, and assessment; Collectively develop and maintain troubleshooting guidelines for access issues in Alma/Primo VE; and Coordinate with relevant FLVC staff and other committees and report to the Executive Committee. Discussion followed. Tracey suggested, for clarity between both the Collections Management Standing Committee (CMESC) and Electronic Resources Management Standing Committee (ERMSC), that the CMESC name be changed and not include electronic resources. Tracy made a motion to change the name of the Collections Management and E-Resources Standing Committee (CMESC); Mai seconded. Motion passed. Scott suggested changing the name from Collections Management and E-Resources Standing Committee to Collections Management Standing Committee (CMSC); Mai made a motion to change the CMESC name to Collections Management Standing Committee (CMSC); Tracy seconded. Motion passed.
Etschmaier stated these changes will be announced at the Members Council meeting on September 16-17.

The next scheduled Executive Committee meeting is October 21, 10:00 a.m. ET.

Meeting adjourned 11:27 a.m. EST.