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

Thursday, January 20, 2022 – 1:00-2:30 p.m. EST

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

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

Call to Order

Called to order at 1:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Etschmaier noted she was not in attendance for the December meeting. Boatright made a motion to approve the December 16 meeting minutes. Russell seconded; motion passed.

FSU/NWRDC/FLVC Update

Scott reported there are no new updates.

RSSC Policies and New Features Update

Nava Cohen, Resource Sharing Standing Committee (RSSC) Chair, updated the council on policies and proposals within the RSSC. Cohen stated the suggested updates to the committee charge have been submitted. The RSSC would like to propose a change in the U Borrow loaning period from 60 days to 120 days. The seven-day renewal button would stay in place. Discussion followed. Mai made a motion to bring forward, with a recommendation from the Executive Committee, the RSSC loan period proposal to the MCLS. Russell seconded; motion passed.

ERMSC Update

The committee reviewed the ERMSC membership and term lengths. Most everyone from the ERM working group agreed to serve on the ERMSC. There are four vacancies to fill. Rodgers will go ahead and put out a call for applications to fill those vacancies.

Library Services Updates

Executive Director

Scott reported there are no new updates.

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Integrated Library Services

Bishop reported Hisham Makki, the new Assistant Director of Data Quality, started on January 14. The monthly update for Alma/Primo Ve has been released for January. The automatic sandbox refresh will take place on February 13. Anything in sandbox will be wiped.

Library services is continuing work on Library Administrator Roles. Each institution can have one library administrator and must complete the Ex Libris certification. More trainings will be in January and February.

A borrowing and lending statistic has been added to the UBorrow dashboard. This can be viewed by each institution through Alma Analytics. A library loan count had been added to the library loan dashboard. There is an orphan bibs cleanup in progress. Work continues for clean-up.

E-Resources

R. Erb reported the E-Resources Specialist position announcement closes January 21. The EBSCO contract has been approved awaiting final signatures. The ProQuest contract was approved and completed. There are still a couple of contracts still pending and in negotiations. Discussion followed. CMESC is researching eBook package options for the surplus.

Library Support and Training

Whisenant reported there is an open position in the Help Desk that is being advertised. There is Professional Development Alliance with other consortia. FLVC is now apart of this alliance. All library staff can attend any events. More information will be in the newsletter going out next week. Information is on the Libguide as well. A master calendar has been created for everyone to use. The calendar includes open office hours, standing committee meetings, MCLS meetings, and all other events. Erb is still working on OpenAthens.

Digital Services and OER

Cummings-Sauls reported the open position is still being advertised and applications are coming. FLVC is looking at system options for PURL. The FLOER Summit 2022 planning will begin soon. An OER ENC 1101 collection has started. There are 11 items now, but plan to add more for a total of 30. There are 970 listings for Spring 2022 ZTC. The list continues to grow.

Draft March MCLS Agenda Topics

The RSSC proposal will be added to the MCLS agenda. Etschmaier will reach out to all the standing committees to remind them to review their charges and bring forward any possible changes at the March MCLS meeting.

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New Business

The next scheduled Executive Committee meetings are February 17 and March 17. Discussion on bridge contracts was brought forward to the committee. Discussion followed.

Meeting adjourned 2:35 p.m. EST.

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