ATTENDEES:
Monroe #1 BOCES SLS Team: Sally Bailey, Katie Bertrand, Wendy Petry, Beth Puckett
Communication Coordinators: Diana Luce (East Rochester), Colleen Woods (Fairport), Julie Masterson-Smith (HFL), Karen Wilson (Pittsford), Kelly Rivera (West Irondequoit), Sara Kimmel (Rush Henrietta), Wendy Sardella (Webster), Brian Smith (East Irondequoit), Kimberly Rouleau (Non-Public)

Council Members: Jennifer Caccavale (Penfield Public Library), Ana Canino-Fluit (Non Public), Ben Griffin (Penfield), Anita Mance (Community), Kathi Sigler (School Library Administrator)

ABSENT:
Monroe #1 BOCES SLS Team: Carolyn Byam
Communication Coordinators: Andrea (Koch), Lisa Edborg (Penfield)
Council Members: Brett Daggs (HF-L), Kathy Miller (RRLC), Belinda O’Brien (School Administrator)

Welcome – Katie Bertrand – Katie welcomed

Professional Development Opportunities – Katie Bertrand and Beth Puckett discussed upcoming events and provided handouts. The location of the NEW PD CATALOG: http://www.monroe.edu/newpdcatalog

- Beth shared that a few PD Opportunities are coming up and shared a handout. Beth & Katie asked for input on PD ideas.
- Katie shared information about the Summer Close Reading Academy to be held at Monroe #1 BOCES (flyer attached) and regional professional development being pursued by the SLS Directors. The following is tentative but here is the information so far:
  - July 2014 – Judy Freeman – Best new books for elementary students
  - August 22 – Tech Camp for School Librarians @ Monroe 2
  - October 4 – Monroe 2 and 9 at Monroe #1 – Copyright – Attorney Ann Dalton
  - November – (nothing due to holidays, NYSCAT, and other national conferences)
  - December – WFL BOCES Leadership Conference or Kathleen Odean
  - January/February – steer clear
  - March – Kathleen Odean (If not in December)
  - April – SSL and 3-8 assessments

Electronic Databases – Carolyn Byam:

- Electronic database and Follett pricing information has been distributed to your district designated contact. If you have any questions or need assistance in the process, please contact Carolyn.

Library Automation/Follett Update – Sally Bailey:

- 5 Systems records have been updated
- Also, I would be happy to run classes in the summer if there is interest.
- Questions for me?
- Destiny 12 will be released at the end of April. As always, we will test it for a month or two before putting it in production. Current plan is not to make the change until after the end of the school year to minimize impact on end of the year rush and inventory.

Arts in Education and InterLibrary Loan – Wendy Petry reported:

- The deadline for 2013-14 purchase orders to Monroe #1 BOCES is approaching. Please have all Arts in Education purchase orders to my office by April 18th at the latest for new requests. Please let your teachers know of this deadline.
• The deadline for all InterLibrary Loan requests from public or college libraries must be received prior to the first week in May (unless the item is to be used over the summer).
• Please let me know of any authors you would like included for school visits through Celebrities In the Schools for next year.
• Also, a reminder to teachers and librarians to fill out evaluations on-line after an event at the AIE website, Arts in Education Evaluation.

RRLC Report – Kathy Miller (written report attached) we need to see if Kathy has one to share

SLS Director’s Report – Katie Bertrand reported on the following:

• Mini-Grants 2013-14 - http://www.monroe.edu/webpages/sls/minigrant.cfm - All grants are complete and payment completed or in process. Thanks to all for submitting claims in a timely manner. The committee will meet in May to review the application and set timeline for 2014-15.
• OverDrive – Fairport and Penfield (Bay Trail) are developing OverDrive Advantage Collections. This is an option for all districts in the Instructional MultiMedia CoSer. Please contact Katie if you are interested in exploring this.
• NYSED Updates
  o Regents Research Paper – This is not being pursued at this time. The Board of Regents will be looking at this as part of a larger examination of graduation requirements and multiple pathways to graduation, hopefully in the fall of 2014.
  o State Budget – Thanks to a strong advocacy effort spearheaded by NYLA library, funding was increased by $5 Million over Governor Cuomo’s proposed budget (which included a $4 Million cut), resulting in a net increase of $1 Million over last year. While this was less than hoped for and still far below the funding mandated in regulation, we are grateful for the increase, which should be about 1% for our School Library System. Thank you to those who supported the advocacy effort by expressing your opinion to your elected representatives. The state budget also included some changes to other Common Core/Race to the Top related initiatives which are summarized in the handout provided.
  o I was able to attend the February EngageNY Network Training Institute for ELA 9-12 in Albany which focused on 9-12 ELA including the Curriculum Modules related to Research. I will also be attending the May NTI 3-8 ELA sessions which again focus the Curriculum Modules related to Research. We will be developing related workshops for School Librarians based on this learning.
• Regional Updates
  o A new SLS director has been appointed at Wayne Finger Lakes BOCES, replacing Judy Marsh. She is Katherine Hammell and she will start on Monday, April 7.
  o Congratulations to Jen (McLaughlin) Cannell, your former SLS director who was recently appointed as the SLS Director at Questar BOCES in the Albany area.
  o Congratulations to Colleen Sedowski, SLS Director for Rochester City Schools, who was recently appointed to a five year term on the Regent’s Advisory Committee on Libraries (RAC).
  o A tentative SLS council and communications meeting schedule was proposed (see the bottom of this document) for review. These dates will be finalized at our May meeting. The group decided to meet in room 1B at 15 Linden Park next year.

Around the Table – Everyone

• Beth Puckett – Teen Book Festival (TBF) is just around the corner. Beth shared posters and pamphlets.
• Sally Bailey – Sally announced that she is going to be a grandmother this summer. Welcome to Sophia and congratulations to grandma!
• Kim Rouleau – Mercy – The school is abandoning the Common Core and focusing on Inquiry and Research
• Colleen Woods – Fairport – Each school library has established an OverDrive Advantage collection and the librarians are building their collections and looking forward to sharing them with students and teachers.
• Karen Wilson – Pittsford – The librarians participated in a collegial circle focused on the book Guided Inquiry Design. Author Sara Weeks visited the district and was great.
• Ben Griffin – Penfield – Bay Trail is initiating an OverDrive Advantage collection. They had a very successful author visit by Cynthia Lord.
• Kelly Rivera – West Irondequoit – The district is moving to full day Kindergarten in the next two years and the librarians are focused on the impact on their programs.
• Wendy Sardella – Webster – Focus is on Inquiry and Multimedia and looking at the modules.
• Brett Daggs – HF/L – Focus is on STEM/STEAM initiatives. They are expanding their robotics program at the middle school level. There is a robotics club at Manor. Brett is having Clive Thompson speak on 4/9 (Wednesday) at 7 p.m. This is a free program and all are welcome.
• Anna Canino-Fluit – Rochester Christian School – The Maker Club is going well. Thanks for the mini grant to support. She is presenting at SSL and Nyla and writing a related article for the June Teacher Librarian.
• Anita Mance – Volunteers as the assistant to the village historian. Her colleague is not available so she will be teaching the second graders when they visit soon.
• Brian Smith – East Irondequoit – Adding the IBCC Program, a parallel program to their K-12 IB program, initially focusing on Engineering, possibly Business in the future.
• Jennifer Caccavale - Monroe County Public Library – Comic Convention coming soon, there is still time to register. Author for Fall Teen Read is Charles Benoit. Central library Teen Central has a new program called UMedia (all who can get there are welcome) focusing on teens producing music and video. They will be capturing video at Teen Book Festival this year. The summer reading program this year is “All About Science.”
• Kathi Sigler – The library placements for undergraduate education students continue to be successful. The reflections that students write consistently mention the value of this experience to them as future teachers. The University has asked her to do a qualitative analysis of the program, which will take about a year. She’ll share the results with us.

2013-2014 Scheduled Meetings

• The next SLS Council/Communications Coordinators meeting will be held at Monroe #1 BOCES, 15 Linden Park, Conference Room 1A, on May 8, 2014.
• 2014-2015 SLS Council/Communications Coordinators meetings will be held (tentatively) at Monroe #1 BOCES, 15 Linden Park, Conference Room 1B:
  ▪ Thursday, September 18, 2014
  ▪ Thursday, December 4, 2014
  ▪ Thursday, February 12, 2015
  ▪ Thursday, March 12, 2015 (Make-up Only)
  ▪ Thursday, May 7, 2015