

MARINet Board Meeting
September 15, 2011
Edgewater Room, Sausalito City Hall Building
Minutes

Present:

Abbot Chambers, Belvedere-Tiburon
Anji Brenner, Mill Valley
David Dodd, San Rafael
Gail Haar, Marin County
Linda Kenton, San Anselmo
Frances Gordon, Larkspur
Deb Moehrke, MARINet
Gary Gorka, Dominican
Augie Webb, Sausalito

Absent: Debbie Mazzolini, Belvedere-Tiburon

I. Public Comment Period:

No one present from the public.

II. Introduction of any guests:

Abbot Chambers was introduced as City Librarian of Sausalito and welcomed to the Board. He is standing in for Debbie Mazzolini at today's meeting.

III. Approval of minutes from July 21, 2011 meeting:

Minutes approved (FG/AB) with one correction on the amount transferred to sinking fund.

IV. Topics for future agenda:

Delivery without NorthNet.
Feed Builder.
Sustainability conference 9/30.

V. Old Business

A. Overdrive collection update- in addition to what is in the System Administrator report, Moehrke reported that we have over 3,000 titles: 643 currently checked out as of 9/14/2011. There are 92 holds: only 1 title has 3 holds, a few have 2 holds, most have 1. Every library has ebooks checked out except Dominican and Larkspur. Moehrke thinks this has to do with how accessible ebooks are on individual library website. MCFL has the highest number of ebooks checked out (400) followed by San Rafael. There were 146 downloads from Project Gutenberg. Chambers commented on the Gutenberg numbers, indicating a spike in downloads might mean a few people are downloading numerous Gutenberg titles. Bel-Tib has repurchased every title to add to the MARINet shared collection.

B. Resolution to make approved budget changes:

Resolution to approve budget passed at September meeting, formal resolution is needed to make budget changes in the SAP financial system.

C. Dominican implementation follow-up:

Currently Dominican patrons don't have addresses, but 100% of them have emails. Gorka indicated addresses were supposed to be loaded two weeks prior. He gave the highest praise to Deb and Ethan for their "amazing" work in implementation. He said patrons didn't notice any disruption, at least from the Dominican perspective. All various networks are working well and seamlessly integrated. There are some issues with the Library card, which is a smart card, in compatibility. Gary also commented that Innovative is not always helpful, and that the entire project was almost derailed by their non-responsiveness. He mentioned the high cost of delivery for Dominican considering they are only using a couple of bins. There was a discussion of libraries calling on Dominican Reference staff for second level reference and a note that the barcode is in the back cover of their books.

D. Assign investigation of issues around shared materials in the catalog:

These issues include:

Share under certain circumstances? What about licensing restrictions?
How are ebooks going to be shown in the catalog? What if owned by single library?

Individual libraries should have some freedom to experiment.
Exercise collective bargaining power when opportunity arises.

Subcommittee: Gary, Sara, Anji, and one more person that Gail Haar will nominate.

Charge: Is it possible to make a policy recommendation around shared materials/services in the catalog that will work for all libraries, taking into consideration individual library needs, and the current and evolving technological and political landscape.

E. Scoping plan:

Moehrke said there were no comments from staff re: the scoping plan. She thinks that nobody seems to mind that we will create new location codes. Chambers said that he was disappointed that it is not as easy to limit certain popular searches. New release of Encore, now available, has an advanced search feature. Need Encore Task force to look at feedback from staff and public using it, and to look at extent to which we want to tweak the setup. Approval to allow Deb to order scoping: (DD/LK) **Task force should be on the agenda for the next meeting.**

F. Encore Implementation-Switch to primary platform-

Moehrke reported that Dan is working to enhance the interface with the Classic Catalog. This led to a discussion of why we should continue supporting the Classic Catalog. Ideas include: moving classic catalog button from Encore Search square, move member Libraries to a link.

Motion to use Encore as primary interface, stop enhancing classic catalog, make a few design changes (remove classic catalog from square, move member libraries to link) (AB/LK) was approved. Encore to become default catalog after scoping completed. November 1st is target date for change. Board asked Moehrke to send a MUD message. 186 have followed the link to use Encore. Abbot asked that Dan send link to replace Encore search box. Motion approved.

VI. New Business

A. Resolution to transfer funds for Sierra license- already approved purchase of Sierra but must approve a resolution to transfer money from sinking fund into regular budget to pay for Sierra. Motion to approve transfer: (DD/FG) approved.

B. Media Management product- This is a product which allows electronic reserves, which Dominican needs. The module also allows you to integrate photographs into the catalog through a link. The San Francisco Public Library is using it with an extensive sheet music collection. Mt. View is using it for photographs. Dominican bought the reserve module, so we can all use it. Must have reserve module to use Millennium Media Management. Schedule a meeting for a demonstration at MV in November (17th).

C. Other non-action items- Gorka asked about the .50 request fee, and indicated he would waive it for students. **Item for future agenda.**

VII. Standing Items for the Agenda

A. System Administrator's report- Deb reviewed information in system administrator's report.

B. Correspondence- none

VIII. Announcements: **San Anselmo-**bought 6 nooks, **Bel-Tib:** A planning commission meeting about the Library expansion had great support from the public. The proposal was approved with some reservations about size of project. It is now in Council's court. **San Rafael:** The Literacy Program has morphed into an entity run by a 501C3. Three core literacy positions in San Rafael Public are now gone. The change makes it possible for member libraries to coordinate with the non-profit organization. Marin Literacy Program is the name for the new non-profit, and is no longer restricted to MCFL and San Rafael Public. San Rafael will be buying 12 Nooks; **Larkspur:** Friends honored all funding requests and were very generous. **MCFL:** Kate Ryan will be speaking at Dominican as a fundraiser to support arts and poetry programming at the Marin County Library. Fairfax new branch manager, Margaret Miles, started. Do not yet have branch

manager for Novato. **Sausalito:** Abbot Chambers starts 10/17 as new City Librarian.
Moehrke-lease is up in 2 years; looking to relocate and save on rent.