

MVLS/SALS Joint Automation Project
Joint Automation Council Meeting July 13, 2021, 9:30 am
Mohawk Valley Library System
Minutes

Present: Sara Dallas, Guin Forshey, Alex Gutelius, Kari Kakeh, Michele Largeteau, Tim McDonough, Eric Trahan, and Erica Wing.

Excused: Devon Hedges, Teresa Pavoldi, Mary Salluzzo, Russell Wise.

Guest: Jen Ferris, Jill Ryder, Sharon O'Brien, Jack Scott, Kim Zimmer

Council Chair Erica Wing called the meeting to order at 9:42.

The minutes for the May 12, 2021 JA Council meeting were approved as presented. Motion: Tim McDonough; Second: Sara Dallas. Ayes: All; Nays: None.

Financial reports for May and June, 2021 were reviewed and received for audit. Motion: Eric Trahan; Second: Tim McDonough. Ayes: All; Nays: None.

Payment Warrants for May and June, 2021 were reviewed and received for audit. Motion: Eric Trahan; Second: Alex Gutelius. Ayes: All; Nays: None.

Project Managers Report - Michele reported:

PC Orders: Laptops from the initial 2021 order have not yet been shipped due to the worldwide chip shortage. Other items from that order are all in, with Mary delivering to sites that need that support. Because of this difficulty in getting orders filled, JA will extend support on the G2 machines at least until the end of 2021.

Patron Self-Registration Status: Changes in the logic for the Schoharie charter change and procedures for ending "bringing home" are being discussed with Quipu. Trainers are working on documentation and procedures.

CPH Self checks: The Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library will be getting three self-check stations. JA staff is helping with implementation.

III Demos: Several libraries are interested in the Innovative Mobile product. Less interest has been expressed in the Vega Engage & Discover products. Vega Engage offers automatic patron engagement via email, etc. Michele will get pricing options.

Remote Access to Ancestry: Jason has helped libraries implement the temporary Ancestry enhancement. It is now scheduled to be available through the end of 2021.

Building Projects: The Greenwich project moving forward. Stillwater and Fort Hunter are exploring moving to new locations.

Spectrum: There is some evidence that the free lines may no longer be available as soon as later this year. To date Spectrum has not been forthcoming on how this will affect library connections.

Committee Reports

Finance: The committee will receive information on the 2022 proposed budget before the September Council meeting.

Policy: No Report

PAC Steering: No report.

Operations: No Report

Old Business

None

New Business

The Council discussed the issue of data breach insurance for cyber security. We are exploring whether coverage should be purchased by the 2 systems or through the JA.. A general discussion on security and potential threats followed. JA may explore training opportunities for library staff.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:11. Motion: Sara Dallas; Second: Tim McDonough.. Ayes: all; Nays: none.

The next meeting of the JA Council will be September 8, 2021 at SALS.