

**New Jersey Library LSTA Advisory Council Meeting
New Jersey State Library, Trenton, NJ
May 13, 2015**

Present: Seth Stephens, Chair; Sue Lazzari, Vice-Chair; Amy Babcock Landry Ralph Bingham, Joseph DaRold, Jerry Holtz, Mary K. Lewis, Wendy Whipple

Absent: Brett Bonfield, Valerie Tucci, Mark Thompson

NJSL Staff: Mary Chute, Kathleen Moeller-Peiffer, Sheri Shafer

Reporting: Ruth Pallante, NJSL

The LSTA Advisory Council meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm. by Chair Seth Stephens.

Members introduced themselves.

December 4, 2014 minutes approval – minutes were approved as written.

Review of Statewide Database statistics – Kathi

Use numbers for databases are steady, except for disappointingly low numbers for Hispanic language resources: Salud en Espanol, which provides evidence-based reports and fact sheets in Spanish on all aspects of consumer health and wellness, and Reference Latina, which is a comprehensive Spanish-language database that offers content from a variety of sources including 49,000 encyclopedia entries; 50,000 images; 2,500 health reports; a Spanish-English dictionary and full text for over 100 reference books and dozens of general interest magazines in a broad array of subject areas. Its intuitive, theme-based Spanish-language interface is designed to make content readily accessible to non-English users with limited online research experience.

Databases – we are in last year of 3 year contract. Will be convening database advisory committee and develop a RFQ for FY16.

Ebsco – interpretation of totals question: – is use just JerseyClicks or those school, libraries directly linked also?

FY15 Expenditures and FY16 Proposed Budget – Sheri

Sheri went over the LSTA Grant Year 2014 and 2015 Grant year budgets and FY2015 LSTA and Network Statewide Projects Budgets.

She reported that IMLS Grants to States has a new reporting system. There will be more narrative and detailed reports that are standardized. There are specific focal areas that will outline the intent of the project, description of project and the project activities. This will help tell more effective stories of how grants make a difference, with a mapped drop-down menu from the 6 categories of service to tell the impact the program has had.

Future service needs and budget constraints – Mary Chute

The State Library has been working on its 3-year Strategic Plan. For SLIC and TBBC and Library Development, it is how public services can best meet the needs of each of their constituent groups. We are working on a vision/mission statement, core values and specific goals and objectives. We are working toward more collaboration – state to state, on model projects, CE, professional development, etc., as well as NJLA and LibraryLinknj

Our mental health and active shooter training programs, both receiving accolades had a public library focus and are both very popular and well attended.

LSTA is up for reauthorization and must be passed by both houses and President by September of 2016.

President will send nominee for new IMLS to Senate for confirmation. The person will be from a Museum. Kathryn Matthew from South Carolina has been nominated.

LSTA Annual Report and Five-year Plan Update – Kathi handed out attached information.

No old business and no new business.

Next meeting date: Tentative October 14, TBBC, 1-3 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:53 p.m.