LSTA Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
July 6, 2011

(1-3pm Talking Book & Braille Center)

Members in Attendance:
Norman Gluckman, Susan Kaplan, Pam Price, Mary Romance, Gloria Urban and Ann Yurcaba

Members not in Attendance:
Brian Auger, Mariam Bauman, Ruth Bogan and Hilda Weisburg

Chairwoman Susan Kaplan called the meeting to order at 2:43pm.

Previous Meeting’s Minutes
Norman Gluckman made a motion to accept the previous meeting’s minutes and Mary Romance Seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Gloria Urban asked if it was only the LSTA grant funds that the LSTA Council advised the State Librarian on and Kathleen assured her that it was.

Action Items from May 24, 2011 Meeting
Scherelene Schatz explained the numbers from her handout on statewide database usage.

Sheri provided the total cost of each project from both LSTA and network funds.

Kathleen shared the cost per view/session for statewide databases as compiled by Scherelene.

Natasha Peter’s (IT, BTOP) J&CA print out was handed out to the Board with the explanation requested by the Council at the previous meeting.

Kathleen advised the Board that the webmaster from NJSL will be posting the minutes from each meeting as well as other relevant information to the LSTA page on the NJSL website.
New Topics
Pat Tumulty asked if there was any increase in database spending. Kathleen assured her that Ebsco stayed at the same cost for FY11 as well as RefUSA, and that Informé is charging $14,000 for 12 months, the same as FY11.

Susan Kaplan wanted to know if there was a cost for JerseyClicks and Kathleen responded that there was. The Board asked if the cost for JerseyCat and JerseyClicks could be separated on the budget report.

Action Items
Kathleen will make the JerseyClicks and JerseyCat budget break-out request to Sheri Shafer.

Gloria Urban and Mary Romance both need LSTA binders and materials from the May 24th meeting. Kathleen will see that they receive them.

Pam Price asked if there was a professional advisory group for aging (as an example) that LSTA/NJSL could market with/work with as a way to get the word out about libraries and motivate people. Susan said that it was something to put on the table for the joint strategic plan. Kathleen told the group that certainly any lay group can advocate and that the NJSL is always looking for people to partner with.

Next Meeting Date
To be determined.

Adjournment
The meeting ended at 3:16pm.