

**SD Titles To Go
Collection Committee Meeting
October 1, 2014
SDLA Conference (Pierre)**

President Jane Norling called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Jane Norling, LeAnn Kaufman (Vice President), Shirley Arment, Julie Erickson and Jane Healy.

Absent: Deb Matthys and Nita Gill (Secretary)

Reports:

Update on membership and funds by Julie Erickson:

- Julie started by giving the group kudos. The vendor says that the group is doing a phenomenal job.
- Nine libraries have joined in 2014, which will add \$6,000 to the pool. Next year the group should have \$5,950 to spend per month.
- The system now allows the ability to weed.
- New—reports now tell the number of circs
- The State Library added Prairie Bud/Prairie Pasque titles in its recent purchase.
- The system now allows the ability to create groups, such as “Prairie Bud,” “YARP.”

Old Business:

Discussion on patron “request to purchase” of 10 items in 30 days :

Currently a patron of participating libraries in SDTTG can check out 5 items at a time.

Patrons may also currently “recommend to library” a maximum of 10 titles in 30 days. Due to the long recommend to library lists each month and budget and system limitations, discussion was held. A motion to move the limits on request to purchase to 5 items in 30 days was made by LeAnn Kaufman. Second was made by Shirley Arment. Motion carried.

Revised bylaws:

Receipt of revised bylaws were acknowledged

New Business:

Discussion of focus of purchasing committee:

The group discussed how to best prioritize purchases, considering holds, recommendations, and new releases. Shirley Arment recommended using good judgment. The group must keep the collection fresh with new releases and not spend too much on holds. The group agreed that purchasing priorities should be 1) Holds to an extent (Is the popularity waning? How many copies are already in the collection? How many print copies are in our libraries?), 2) New, popular titles and multiple copies, and 3) Recommendations IF the patron places a hold on a title and gives his/her email address.

Invoices:

Good. No problems.

Metered titles expiring and weeding titles:

See Julie's opening remarks that included information about weeding and new report capability. This functionality will make it easier for the group to watch.

New at-large committee member introductions and information:

Linda Holmberg and Lindsey Hansen of Centerville Community Library will work together to serve as the new at-large committee member.

Election of officers:

Election of officers could not be held because a quorum was not present. Julie Erickson will send out a survey on surveymonkey to elect officers.

Other:

Jane Norling will work with new members to ensure they are trained and feel comfortable with the purchasing process.

~~Shirley Arment asked about cart contents. The group decided to delete what is left in carts, so that each purchaser starts fresh.~~ Shirley Arment asked about cart contents. The group decided to delete what is left in carts, so that each purchaser starts fresh, **with the exception of Recommend to Library carts.** [clarified 10-7-14 by Jane Norling]

Julie Erickson asked how selectors were choosing scifi. The group said they use recommendations and ask patrons who are scifi readers.

It was noted that OverDrive recently added Macmillan and fixed format titles. Fixed format should increase the popularity of picture books.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Healy