

Recommendations from the March 31, 2008 minutes

HIP Taskforce Update

At the recommendation from the Governance Committee a HIP taskforce has been formed to research and survey membership for possible enhancements to the public catalog. John Stewart and Don Winland organized a survey that has been linked to the online catalog. The survey will be used to see what the public would like improvements on. The deadline for the survey is April 4, 2008.

Arlene reported some of the responses that she reviewed so far: they like it the way it is, logs out a lot, add spell check, browse books only, search music and dvds easier, back button to search, author searching, finding series, My library first, sort what is overdue, more results, top items borrower has, limiting by magazines and overall speed. The survey responses will also be used as a resource to verify organized staff training to assist the public.

John mentioned that they have been researching a couple of products such as Library Elf and LibraryThing.

Library Elf is an Internet-based tool for keeping track of what's due, overdue and ready for pickup. Users can keep track of one or more library accounts in one place and receive a reminder.

LibraryThing for Libraries brings the power of Library 2.0 to your catalog. You can enhance your catalog by adding book recommendations, tag clouds, ratings and reviews.

Last Patron Information-circ history

March 2006 the committee voted to have the circ history go from 9 days to 1 day. This is a request from membership to revisit. This setting was presented. Alan Hall moved and Sandi Thompson seconded the motion to change the circ history from 1 day to 3 days. Motion passed.

Unique Management Limit

In March of 2007 a threshold of \$25 had been the limit for Unique Management. The transacting library (where you check out at) accumulated the \$25 threshold. This is a request from membership to revisit. Sandi Thompson moved and Pam Hoesman seconded the motion participating libraries will have a choice of two fine limit groups of \$25 or \$50 for their threshold to Unique Management. Motion passed. The libraries will need to contact Unique Management to change contract agreements. SEO will make no changes unless contacted by both the library and Unique Management.