

Digital Library Advisory Group
Monday, April 12th, 1:00PM

Digital Library Meeting

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Attendance:

1. Jennie Lewis, CCLD
2. Kelly Povero, Montour
3. Karin Thomas, Odessa
4. Angela Gonzalez, PYPL
5. Bridget Marshall, Avoca
6. Linda Reimer, SSCL
7. Connie Ogilvie, CCLD
8. Erika Jenns, STLS
9. Lyndsie Guy, STLS
10. Brian Hildreth, STLS
11. Lorie Brown, STLS
12. Karen Smith, Whitesville
13. Sally Jacoby Murphy, Hammondspport
14. Alice Taychert, Hornell

Minutes:

1. Platform updates:
 - a. Magazines are now available through OverDrive.
RBdigital contract runs through 6/30/2021.
What's next for magazines?
 - b. Zinio will not be offering a custom/ handpicked collection moving forward.
The only package they are making available at this time is the Unlimited all-in package, which offers 3,000+ titles. This does include unlimited access (no holds) to The Economist. For STLS, it would be \$17,500 for the whole consortium.
 - i. Most recently, we were getting this deal on May 29, 2020 from RBdigital/Zinio for \$14, 817 (including access to the Economist).
 - c. Erika will run a report to compare RBdigital magazine circs to OverDrive magazine circs.
 - i. There's some concern that the cost per circ is too high - funds might be better spent on other digital content.
 - ii. **View the spreadsheet here:** https://www.stls.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/OverDrive_JUV_and_Magazine_Checkout_s.xlsx
 - iii. Please note, data for digital magazines is on Tab 2 in the spreadsheet.
 - d. Libby app - recently updated.
Major changes include: style of the app, location of the buttons, new look & feel.
<https://company.overdrive.com/2021/03/31/libby-design-updates-smart-tags-and-notify-me/>
<https://help.overdrive.com/en-us/1233.htm>
2. OverDrive free Sim Use collections:
 - a. "Check it out: Great reads without the wait!" for adults and "Always available for teens" and "No wait, these books are great" for kids.
 - b. Newest collection:
 - i. As part of our ongoing Community Read program, OverDrive will soon donate an additional bundle of titles to your library. The OverDrive Community Read: Social and Emotional Learning Collection includes more than 50* no-cost, simultaneous access ebooks and audiobooks. Access from April 19 to June 30.
3. AudioFile SYNC - Free audiobooks all summer for ages 13+:
 - a. SYNC is a free summer audiobook program for teens 13+.

- b. Running April 29 - August 4 2021, SYNC gives participants two thematically paired audiobooks each week. Titles are all available worldwide and change every Thursday at midnight Eastern Time during the season.
 - c. Partnered with OverDrive's Sora app - no school affiliation required to access.
4. Why Diverse Books Matter - Webinar:
- a. Recap & discussion
 - b. **Webinar Description:**

During this session, Dr. Aronson will share her research and thinking about why racially/culturally diverse books matter, including her research on this topic. She will also share information about the Diverse BookFinder and its Collection Analysis Tool (CAT) and be available to answer questions about how to utilize CAT reports to enhance collection development.

About the Presenter:

Krista is an Associate Dean of Faculty and Professor of Psychology at Bates College in Maine. Her scholarship focuses on illuminating how people come to understand complex social constructs like race and ethnicity, including how children process and understand race as well as appropriate, effective and productive ways to discuss this topic with them; specifically, the effective use of picture books to enhance intercultural relationships and self-understanding during childhood. Her own identity as a biracial woman deeply informs her work. The Diverse BookFinder and associated work are the focus of her active research, which represents a substantial portion of the professional effort of faculty at Bates.

*Mentions in the webinar that it can be harder to find digital copies of diverse books.
 - c. <https://diversebookfinder.org/>
 - d. Watch the recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eqxs9Oer96l>
5. 20% diverse titles in each cart:
- a. How's it going?
 - i. It's going ok.
6. Purchasing JUV/YA titles - particularly manga and graphic novels - in OverDrive:
- a. Jennie is happy to help with purchasing these titles. She invites folx to email her with requests for specific titles/series/authors.
 - b. Suggestion to start a "For All" cart for graphic titles. Lyndsie Guy will help with this.
 - c. Erika will run a report to see how JUV titles circ in OverDrive. And, to see if they circ through Sora/how many JUV circs come from Sora.

- i. View the report here: [https://www.stls.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/OverDrive JUV and Magazine Checkout s.xlsx](https://www.stls.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/OverDrive_JUV_and_Magazine_Checkout_s.xlsx)

7. Next meeting is on July 12th, 2021 at 1:00pm