



## SHARE Circulation and Resource Sharing Committee Meeting

Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.  
Illinois Heartland Library System  
6725 Goshen Road, Edwardsville, IL 62025  
via [Zoom](#)

### Minutes

**Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Esther Curry.  
*In Attendance*—Esther Curry, Chair, Robert Edwards, Vice Chair, Janet Cler, Mary Cordes, Maria Dent, Sarah Isaacs, Susan McKinney, Jennifer Slack, and Sandy West. Paula Tretter and Diane Yeoman arrived after roll call.

*Absent*—None.

*Other Attendees*—Jacob Pahde, Rochester Public Library

*IHLS Staff*—Cassandra Thompson, Dena Porter, and Shelley Stone.

**Approval of Minutes from the June 11, 2020 Meeting:** Sandy West made a motion to approve the minutes and was seconded by Esther Curry. All approved and motion passed.

**SHARE Update:** Cassandra Thompson stated that there is now a listing of library statuses on the SHARE webpage. The L2 replacement project is still on track, with SHARE staff to begin training next week. The *Libraries and the Census* IHLS page has been updated. Swank has offered an extension on our group purchase, with the contract now running to December 31, 2021. They are also allowing some titles to be shown outdoors on library property with prior approval. The Illinois State Library has also announced new grants for PPE, digital infrastructure, and the Back to Books program. These are reimbursable grants and the date for submission is September 30, 2020.

#### Old Business:

- **COVID-19 Response:** The committee discussed the recent SHARE Executive Council statement on lost items. There was some confusion on the poll in the newsletter, because the wording was unclear.
- **Digital-only Cards:** The poll was very closely split 28 yes to 33 no. One library director mentioned that this could be very problematic because there is not a provision to allow partial service cards, but that resident and paid nonresident cardholders should receive the same benefits. One library uses the Self-Registration type and it is not intended to prevent cardholders from accessing full service. Instead, it is an opportunity to increase access for those that want access to library service, but do not go to the physical library building. They would be offered a full card with benefits if they every came into the library. The committee will not pursue an additional digital only card.
- **Other:** None.

#### New Business:

- **Automatic Renewal:** Robert Edwards requested the committee re-evaluation the previous decision for automatic renewal in light of the delays caused by quarantine. The committees discussed the pros/cons of automatic renewal. Cassandra Thompson suggested using Decatur Public Library as a test for automatic renewal. We could meet with Decatur PL staff and Polaris to make sure that Decatur PL, SHARE staff, and the committee are aware of the process and what challenges might come up. The committee will review at our next meeting.
- **General Material Designation:** The Bibliographic & Cataloging Standards Committee would like feedback on retiring the General Material Designation (GMD). Jacob Pahde stated that it is a relic from AACR standards, but SHARE is now using RDA. He also stated that it was a benefit in legacy systems, but Polaris has a Type of Material (TOM) designation that effectively replaces the GMD. It is much more detailed, with an icon in the online catalog. Also, sometimes the GMD are incorrect or incomplete. It is also an extra step for catalogers and is not supported by OCLC. Another consideration is that circulation staff or patrons may find the GMD easier to use. The Champaign and the Urbana Free libraries switched and reported that their patrons did not notice. One suggestion was to poll SHARE member library staff in the next newsletter. The Circulation & Resource Sharing Committee will make their final recommendation based on that feedback.
- **Other:** None.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Announcements:** Susan McKinney announced a new group of Champaign librarians called Racial Education, Activism, and Discussion. They meet virually, with the next meeting on September 20, 2020 from 4-5 PM via Zoom. They have both a website <https://illinoislibraries.wixsite.com/read> and facebook group.

**Next meeting:** Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.