

NHLA Technical Services Committee

October 24, 2023 at 2:00 PM

In attendance: Angela Brown (Chair, Amherst), Kersten Matera (Bedford), Phuong Openo (Dover), Brittney Bergholm (Goffstown), Dianna Levesque (Fuller- Hillsborough)

1. Meeting called to order at 2:00 P.M.

2. New Business

- a. Library-related legislation that the Advocacy and Legislative Committee is tracking (Mindy Atwood) (Tabled)
- b. Monthly Meetings instead of bimonthly? There was general interest in having short monthly meetings, starting in January 2024.
- c. Presentation/Ask-a-Cataloger in January? Angela asked if anyone had any ideas for the next presentation/Ask-a-Cataloger session. Email ideas to her or the Google group.
- d. Inclusive Cataloging. Examples: Moving items from 300s to 900s ; re-Deweying religion section, etc. Short discussion on the merits of moving items from 300s to 900s and de-Deweying religion sections. It might be a subtle change for patrons, especially in the religion section. Changing books from 300 to 900 might be more impactful. There was a NELA presentation on "Decolonizing Dewey" and Kersten will send meeting notes on that.
- e. Topics from the Floor
 - i. Author Authorities: what do libraries do with author authorities, especially when an author name varies? Some libraries use an authority service offered through their ILS that helps to resolve issues.
 - ii. Kersten found a record in NHU-PAC logged in Cataloging Mode but could not retrieve the record through ILL or through the Polaris connection to the State catalog. She will send details on the particular record.
- f. Next meeting date: December 19, 2023 (changed from December 26)

3. Adjournment 2:24 pm.