#### **ULSTER COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

May 17, 2022

DIRECTORS PRESENT:	
☐ Gillian Murphy (Elting Memorial Library, New Paltz)	☑ Julie Kelsall-Dempsey (Highland Public Library)
	☑ Margie Menard (Kingston Library)
□ Christina Jennerich (Marlboro Public Library)	☐ Gisi Vella (Morton Memorial Library, Pine Hill)
☐ Chrissy Lawlor (Olive Free Library Association)	□ Liz Potter (Phoenicia Library)
☐ Darren Lanspery (Plattekill Public Library)	
☑ Lois Skelly (Sarah Hull Hallock Free Lib, Milton)	□ Jennifer Russell (Saugerties Public Library)
☐ Jody Ford (Stone Ridge Public Library)	☑ Brooke Dittmar (Town of Esopus Lib, Port Ewen)
Mary Collins (Town of Ulster Public Library)	☑ Kara Lustiber (West Hurley Public Library)
☐ Ivy Gocker (Woodstock Public Library)	
☐ Nancy Krom (Cragsmoor Free Library)	☐ Kristin Fowler (Ellenville Public Library)
☑ Nicole Lane (Gardiner Library)	☐ Lisa Palmer (Wallkill Public Library)
UCLA Board Member: Lynne Ridgeway	
MHLS Staff Members: Rebekkah Smith Aldrich	

The meeting of the Ulster County Library Association was called to order by Margie Menard at 10:02 am virtually via go-to-meeting.

**Minutes**: Brooke Dittmar made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> Christina Jennerich. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** The EAP (Employee Assistance Program) and IONOS were paid for out of UCLA's local checking account. UCLA still has \$83,900 remaining to pay on encumbered databases from the legislative account. Julie Kelsall-Dempsey made a motion to approve the warrant and treasures list, Jennifer Russell 2<sup>nd</sup>. All-in-favor. Approved.

### **Central Library Collection Development (CLCD) Committee Report:**

Please see attached.

Action Item to be discussed: Bookflix

Link was provided to have members look at and provide feedback.

Discussion around changing from the Tumblebooks platform to Bookflix as Bookflix is more interactive with a fiction and non-fiction pairing. Members discussed that Tumblebooks has gotten stale and Bookflix will appeal to a wider audience.

Action Item to be discussed: World Book Encyclopedia

Link was provided to have members look at and provide feedback.

Discussion around which four products would be used more; more favor geared to the products older students had experience using.

### **New Business**

- A MHLS Board rep is needed from Ulster County, one individual has expressed interest, if you know of anyone that would be a good fit, please reach out to them

Next UCLA Meeting Tuesday June 21 Margie Menard made a motion to adjourn at 10:37, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved. Respectfully submitted by Kristen Campbell (Secretary)

# UCLA Agenda Tuesday May 17, 2022 10:00 AM Via Zoom

- ❖Approval of minutes of April 19, 2022 meeting
- **❖**Treasurer's Report
- **❖**CLCD Committee Report
- **❖** Selection Committee report
- **❖**MHLS Board Rep from Ulster County
- **❖**MHLS Staff report

# Ulster County Library Association May 14, 2022 Treasurer's Report

Checking Accounts	
Local Checking Account	3,218.88
Legislative Checking Account	103,982.05
	107,200.93

### **Warrant List**

Activity Since Last Treasurer's Report for Ulster Savings Legislative Account

Date	Description	Amount	
			\$103,982.05

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Activity Since Last Treasurer's Report for Ulster Savings Local Checking Account

Date		Description	Amount	
				\$6,581.78
	4/7/2022	ZOOM Annual	(149.90)	\$6,431.88
	4/28/2022	EAP	(3,205.00)	\$3,226.88
	4/30/2022	IONOS: Website	(8.00)	\$3,218.88

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2021 Ulster County Funding	
Total Received for 2022	76,050.00
Estimated Funds from Reserve	12,050.00
Total Budget for 2022	88,100.00
2022 Reserve	
Legislative Account	103,982.05
Cahill eBook Funds	-8,691.00
Balance for Databases	-88,100.00
	7,191.05

Outstanding Databases:	Encumbered	Spent	Remaining
BrainHQ	\$6,350.00		6,350.00
Digital Magazines (Zinio)	\$4,000.00		4,000.00
*Foundation Center	\$3,000.00		3,000.00
Kanopy	\$44,000.00		44,000.00
Library Aware	\$2,000.00		2,000.00
**Mango Languages	\$1,500.00		1,500.00
PR-Marketing	\$3,000.00		3,000.00
PR-Marketing (Niche Academy)	\$4,200.00	4,200.00	0.00
OverDrive eContent	\$5,994.04		5,994.04
OverDrive Streaming			0.00
ReciteMe	\$11,555.96		11,555.96
Tumble Books	\$2,500.00		
Miscellaneous			
TOTAL	88,100.00	4,200.00	

# Central Library/Collection Development Advisory Committee County Association Action Item: World Book Encyclopedia

**Background:** The MHLS Central Library / Collection Development (CL/CD) Advisory Committee was tasked with reviewing the products in the table below for purchase. In their May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting they were provided a demonstration. The discussion following raised questions that the committee felt should be considered by a wider audience, at the county level. The products may be purchased as a bundle or separately, and the discounted pricing has been included.

**Issue:** A few issues were discussed at the CL/CD meeting to be considered by each county.

 NOVELNY [https://novelnewyork.org/] provides access to Encyclopedia Britannica, with similar offerings. The committee asks that the county members compare the two products to determine the value of adding WorldBook products.

Britannica Academic

**Britannica Escolar** 

Britannica School

**Britannica School Elementary** 

Britannica School High

**Britannica School Middle** 

- The World Book Interface has some favorable aspects
  - o A more modern design
  - Language that some found more accessible
  - Interactive educational activities Students have access to online resources through the public schools and some districts already offer World Book
- Students have access to online resources including encyclopedias through the school districts, which are being promoted and may be the likely target for usage.
- There is not currently funding in the 2022 Central Library Program budget for all four components.

Please review the following products using the access provided below:	
tryit.worldbookonline.com	
Username: Mid-Hudson	
Password: worldbook	
Product Description	Quote
Online Advanced	\$8,178.50
"In a world of digital news, World Book Advanced gives high school students and adults a reliable source to	
check the facts. The In the Headlines live news feed and world newspapers promote global awareness and	
international perspective. Primary source documents, biographies, Back in Time articles, and Teaching with	
Documents all aid in more in-depth and conceptual understanding within the classroom curriculum."	

World Book Kids	\$8,178.50
"An ideal learning resource for elementary-aged students designed to build confidence and encourage	
creativity with image-driven navigation and inquiry-based activities. The site features easy-to-read articles that	
can be read aloud or translated and a wealth of engaging games, science projects, and activities. Encourage	
self-direction with our visual navigation in Explore, independent learning with WebQuests, and compare and	
contrast skills with Compare Animals and Compare Places. Additional teaching tools for educators and parents make this a complete solution for elementary-aged students."	
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Early Learning	\$8,178.50
"The perfect tool for pre- and emergent readers to explore independently or learn with an adult. Developed	
with experts on early childhood education, Early Learning is designed for preschool students with tools and	
content that reinforce early childhood curriculum via short videos, read-aloud stories, printable activities, and	
matching and tracing games, among others. The guided reading program, lesson plans, and curriculum	
correlations make teaching easier for educators and parents."	
World Book Student	\$8,178.50
"A one-stop shop for cross curricular learning, <i>Student</i> includes translations to 100+ languages, a Biography	
Center, current events, research guides, and seamless integrations with Google Classroom and Microsoft	
OneDrive. The My Research and Citation Builder features assist learners in organizing and analyzing their	
findings. World Book's beloved encyclopedia comes to life in a digital format, perfect for elementary and	
middle school learners to access information from trusted sources."	
	32,714.00

**Recommendation:** Each County should form a recommendation to regarding the pursuit of one or more of the WorldBook product's at the system level. Please address at your next opportunity. Feedback should be provided to CL/CD Chair, Stephanie Harrison or to Rebekkah by June 10<sup>th</sup>.

# Central Library/Collection Development Advisory Committee County Association Action Item: Bookflix

**Background:** The MHLS Central Library / Collection Development (CL/CD) Advisory Committee was tasked with reviewing the product in the table below for purchase. In their May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, the committee reviewed the product. The discussion following raised questions that the committee felt should be considered by a wider audience, at the county level. The products may be purchased as a bundle or separately, and the discounted pricing has been included.

**Issue:** A few issues were discussed at the CL/CD meeting to be considered by each county.

- The committee members found this interface to be favorable to Tumblebooks in interface and also appreciated the programming elements.
- A decline in use of Tumblebooks could indicate that there is low interest in this sort of application or simply be an indicator for Tumblebooks
- Tumblebooks is currently paid for via a cost share evenly distributed across all 66 member libraries. The cost share for libraries to switch to BookFlix is \$67 higher per year than currently paid by each library.

### Please review the following products using the access provided below:

http://bookflix.scholastic.com/freetrial

Username: bookflix95

Password: leaf

Password: leaf	
Product Description	Quote
Thematically paired fiction and nonfiction titles are designed to bridge learning-to-read and reading-to-learn. Animated classic storybooks introduce early learners to the delights of reading while sparking curiosity, creating a natural springboard into the paired nonfiction text for deeper discovery. "BookFlix inspires Grades PreK—3 to discover the joy of reading while building both real-world knowledge and beginning reading skills. With classic animated stories from Weston Woods, thematically paired with more than 160 authentic nonfiction ebooks from Scholastic, BookFlix strengthens students' early literacy skills, confidence, and curiosity" (From the brochure) Each year booklist adds 6-8 new pairings. To date the collection includes 39 Spanish pairs and 43 English pairs (164 titles total).	for 2 years and 10% for 3 years.

Recommendation: Each County should form a recommendation to regarding the addition of

Scholastic's Bookflix at the System level. Please address at your next opportunity. Feedback should be provided to CL/CD Chair, Stephanie Harrison or to Rebekkah by June 10<sup>th</sup>.

# Selection Committee Report – May 2022

### Part 1 – Action Items

None	

## Part 2 – Hoopla Information

Although UCLA doesn't officially subscribe to Hoopla, most of the libraries have it. I recently encountered a problem with a patron who couldn't login with the very helpful message "Go to your local library."

Information to check for:

- Hoopla settings may include the library registered under, card number and PIN
- Check to make sure that their card isn't expired and they have a patron type which matches your library in Sierra

## Part 3 - Statistics

Kanopy Stats MHLS				Number of				
	Visits	Pages	Plays	Play Credits \$2	Play Credits \$4	KKids \$5	KSeries \$5	Price
Jan 2022	12289	15171	2012	1055	186	14	13	\$2989
Feb 2022	10085	12631	1779	868	158	15	26	\$2573
Mar 2022	10431	12826	1884	918	189	14	22	\$2772
Apr 2022	8956	11097	1862	955	106	4	9	\$2449
May 2022	8225	10104	1678	949	71	9	12	\$2287
June 2022								
July 2022								
Aug 2022								
Sep 2022								
Oct 2022								
Nov 2022								
Dec 2022								
Total								
								\$13070

Kanopy Stats RCLS				Number of				
				Play	Play	KKids	KSeries	
	Visits	Pages	Plays	Credits \$2	Credits \$4	\$5	\$5	Price
Jan 2022	1687	2424	362	153	31	2	0	\$440
Feb 2022	1501	1841	264	137	17	3	8	\$397
Mar 2022	1573	1824	291	126	32	2	3	\$405
Apr 2022	1543	1867	285	133	13	3	7	\$368
May 2022	1371	1687	241	102	13	1	3	\$276
June 2022								
July 2022								
Aug 2022								
Sep 2022								
Oct 2022								
Nov 2022								
Dec 2022								
Total								
								\$1886

**Play Credit Breakdown:** Libraries set the number of play credits per month. Once a patron plays a film, they have unlimited watches for 48 to 72 hours. The cost is \$2.00 - \$4.00 per play credit for all films on Kanopy other than Kanopy Kids and the Great Courses. Note: When a patron uses a play credit, this allows them 72 hours of access to the film, during which they have unlimited access. This means they can play the same film several times per play credit, meaning that the total number of "plays" on your platform will be higher than the total number of "play credits" used.

Then you have KKids (Kanopy Kids) and KSeries (The Great Courses) which are defined as follows:

#### Unlimited Access Model for Kanopy Kids/Great Course

- Kanopy Kids- Kanopy Kids provides patrons with 30 days of unlimited plays for any video in Kanopy Kids for \$5. This means that once a patron plays 5 seconds or more of a video, the patron will have unlimited plays for any other video(s) in the Kanopy Kids section for the next 30 days. The \$5 fee will trigger on the date of the first play and be invoiced at the end of the calendar month. Monthly invoices will include Kanopy Kids charges as a separate line item. Kanopy Kids does not use a patron credit.
- The Great Courses- With The Great Courses on Kanopy, your library patrons have 30 rolling days to watch an entire series from The Great Courses once they press play on any title in that series without incurring additional charges to your library. Your library will be invoiced \$5 for every Great Courses series that a patron presses play on. Access to that course remains open for 30 days. Each additional series played from The Great Courses will incur an additional \$5 charge to your library. The \$5 fee will trigger on the date of the first play and will be invoiced at the end of the calendar month. These charges are listed as "KSeries" on your invoice.

Niche Staff 2022	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Academic OneFile	0	0	0	0									
AcornTV	1	0	0	0									
BrainHQ	2	0	0	0									
Cleaning and Disinfecting Facility	1	0	0	0									
COVID-19 Guidelines for GPLS Employees (1CEU)	0	0	0	0									
COVID19: Using Medical Masks	0	0	0	0									
COVID19: What You Need to Know About Handwashing	0	0	0	0									
Creativebug for Staff	0	0	0	0									
Facebook for Staff	0	0	0	0									
Gale General OneFile	0	0	0	0									
Gale Opposing View	0	0	0	0									
Gmail	0	0	0	0									
Google Docs	0	0	0	0									
Google Drive	0	0	0	0									
Google Forms	0	0	0	0									
Hoopla	0	0	0	0									
How COVID-19 Spreads	0	0	0	0									
Kanopy	0	0	0	0									
Mango Languages	0	0	0	0									
OverDrive Libby	0	0	0	0									
PLS OSHA COVID-19 Guidelines [60 Mins.]	0	0	0	0									
Preventing the Spread of Coronavirus	0	0	0	0									
Tumblebook Library	0	0	0	0									
Universal Class	0	0	0	0									
When and How to Use Masks	0	0	0	0									
Total	4	0	0	0									

Niche Public 2022	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Academic	0	0	2	1	0								
OneFile													
Book Repair	0	0	0	5	4								
BrainHQ	72	11	37	12	27								
CreativeBug	1	2	0	1	0								
Facebook	4	0	0	0	0								
Gale General	2				_								
OneFile	2	0	4	6	0								
GaleOpposing													
Viewpoints	1	0	0	0	0								
Gmail	0	0	0	1	0								
Google Photos	0	1	0	0	0								
Hoopla	11	19	0	1	6								
IndieFlix	7	2	0	1	0								
Instagram	0	0	0	0	0								
Kanopy	34	32	5	35	5								
Libby	44	33	15	27	1								
LinkedIn	0	0	0.	0	0								
Mango	32	20	9	21	17								
Pinterest	0	0	0	0	0								
Snapchat	1	0	0	0	0								
The Great	20	10	10	3	4								
Courses	20	10	10	3	4								
Tumblebook	40	15	13	15	13								
Tutor.com	24	0	0	1	0								
Twitter	1	0	0	0	0								
Universal Class	32	15	35	10	6								
Total	326	160	130	140	83								

### BrainHQ

BrainHQ Statistics MHLS									
	Active		Cumulative		Cumulative				
Month	Users	Registrations	Registrations	Levels	Levels				
21-Dec	12	21	22	50	52				
Jan-22	22	26	48	275	327				
Feb-22	23	28	76	723	1050				
Mar-22	27	28	104	940	1990				
Apr-22	19	8	112	769	2759				
May-22	10	3	115	683	3442				
Jun-22									
Jul-22									
Aug-22									
Sep-22									
Oct-22									
Nov-22									
Dec-22									
Totals									

BrainHQ Statistics RCLS									
	Active		Cumulative		Cumulative				
Month	Users	Registrations	Registrations	Levels	Levels				
21-Dec	2	8	8	10	10				
22-Jan	4	4	12	49	59				
Feb-22	2	11	23	3	62				
Mar-22	5	5	28	27	89				
Apr-22	3	2	30	40	129				
May-22	4	4	34	20	149				
Jun-22									
Jul-22									
Aug-22									
Sep-22									
Oct-22									
Nov-22									
Dec-22									
Totals									