

Users Council Meeting Notes

State Library of Ohio

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Welcome and Updates

Janah Shumaker, Amy Keister, Mike Ridinger, Lori Lee

- [Roster](#)

Welcomed new members and new INFOhio employees.

Introductions of all present.

- [OELMA Conference](#)

1st full, three day conference since 2019, over 200 registered. Focused, relevant PD for school librarians. Donalyn Miller and Mark Nobleman are two keynote speakers. Four sessions by INFOhio, who is one of the sponsors of the event.

- Fetch & ISearch

Fetch - Added infinite scrolling - results not paginated, so results just keep loading. Must request from ITC provider if wanted. Encourages moving beyond the 1st page of results. Fetch background selections added to make Fetch less juvenile. If desired, let ITC Provider know. Plan to look into adding a book river to Fetch.

ISearch - Dozens of updates in the works, hopefully applied by the end of the month. Requested input about misspelled searches showing up in the "My Library" tab.

- Libraries Connect Ohio

Partnership between INFOhio, State Library of Ohio, OPLIN, and OhioLink. This partnership provides multiple databases in the INFOhio resources. It is nearing the end of a 5 year cycle so INFOhio is getting input from stakeholders for the next 5 years.

Networking Activity

Sarah Mowery

- Bingo activity.

1. Discussed using a Google Form to collect attendance - using QR code, ? based on book, etc.
2. Who has completed a Learning Pathway class? - using for staff PD, using for ICoach, BLUEcloud, etc. When the class is updated the date will change on the class.
3. Research 4 Success (R4S) - used parts of, created hyperdocs, and used with Google classroom.
4. IWonder - used with 5th graders for Space, getting ideas for research project, and finding good books to read.

Full Group Discussion

Charles Schmiesing, Janah Shumaker, Trish Baker

- Library Services Platform Options

BLUEcloud - Advantages: Searching for cataloging, addition of multiple copies. VERY little use for circulation (1 user).

Disadvantages: Expressed that if couldn't do everything with it, didn't want to switch back and forth. Question about timing out and was that fixed. Irritated with needing to log in again.

VERY little use of the BLUEcloud Course Lists.

Moderate/good use of MobileStaff, especially for inventory. Good if internet goes down, still can circulate through cell phones. Some liked self check-in/check-out.

Got feedback for uses of BLUEcloud: cataloging, circulation course list, and MobileStaff.

Dissatisfaction with needing to use multiple platforms to get the jobs done. Hoping to be able to run online reports in the future. Request from IT department to make reports compatible with Google.

- Fetch Training Video

Preferred training video for students, but want both (train staff AND students). GIF vs. Video - Video preferred. Short, pausable videos preferred.

- [Back to School Presentation](#)

Updates/New resources for 22/23.

- Suggestion to partner with ITC for library fall presentation PD's.
- Updated homepage: larger boxes, mission/vision in "about", hamburger menu updated, floating button for Fetch added (only if logged in through school building), quick link to Educator page within the grade-band pages.
- Digital Content: new Bookflix titles, Capstone Interactive ebooks updates, and addition of eBooks
 - Capstone Connect updates with monthly focus. The monthly highlights can be downloaded for future use. Gale eBook Collections - title list on top right, hyperlinked. All are unlimited use, read alouds, dyslexic fonts, Highlights additional titles. Learn 360 STEM and Career Videos - all have transcripts, captioning. New - ScienceFlix. Science videos geared for 6-8. (ideas.Demco.com for ideas for programming calendars. Can watch or read in ScienceFlix. Storia is now Literacy Pro. Can go to "classes" and can print UN/PW for each student. Works well for "Clever" schools. Transparent Language Online, must have an account and can apply to be an instructor. Newest language is ASL. WorldBook Student "compare places" has been updated. New - 1500 World Book e-books. Not all have a read aloud, but those that do, it's indicated on the cover.
- Web Tools: Soon - BookNook grade levels. GenYes to help with technical training for students. 10/13 upcoming Webinar. New content in I-wonder. New content in Open Space.

- PD & Support: Updated Teach & Learn Flyers in resource library. Learning Pathway class enhancements, directing users to reflect in Open Space. ICoach is now a class on a rolling basis, not only during the summer anymore. Text Sets connecting reading to the science and social studies classrooms. Across all grade levels. "Linking to Premium Content" connects to blog posts about specific topic posts - available in Educator band.
- <https://surveymonkey.com/r/infohioworks> - provide feedback about what you're doing in your district.

Small Group Discussions

Mary Rowland, Lori Lee, Sarah Mowery, Janah Shumaker

- IWonder
- Research 4 Success
- Book Nook - Links to Book Nook trailers from OPAC must be on details page. Access trailers via QR code on books on shelves. Creation tools are applicable and useful to other subject areas.
- BLUEcloud Course Lists

End of Meeting Messages

Erica Clay, Sarah Mowery

- Digital Content
This is a budget year, so we need to once again advocate with legislators &/or state board members. Let INFOhio know how you're using INFOhio resources at <https://surveymonkey.com/r/INFOhioWorks>. Proactivity is important.
- Book Nook Working Group
Want to add grade level buttons, so need volunteers to look at new submissions to categorize them into those grade level bands. Also need volunteers to review book trailer submissions. If interested in volunteering, contact Sarah Mowery. Please help :)
- Upcoming Events
 - Webinars: Gale 10/20, 10/27, and 11/3
 - OETC in-person February 14-16 at Columbus Convention Center.
- Next Meeting Date
 - Possibly during the OETC conference 2/14 - 2/16
- Available meeting materials can found in the [Users Council Open Space group](#).

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