

**PubPac Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 25, 2007**  
**SAILS office**  
**11:30 AM**

In Attendance: D.Batson, Plymton, D.Briody, Norton, J. Campbell, Mansfield, C. Dargelis, Middleboro, A. Gerald, Bridgewater, A. Klegraefe, Seekonk. M. O’Connel, Bridgewater, A. Sheperdson, Carver, B.Mendes, Somerset, L.Lessner and R.Demanche, SAILS

Laurie introduced the newest member of the SAILS staff, Bob Demanche, who is the Member Services Librarian. His primary focus will be training, documentation and consulting services. Look for him to be visiting your library in the future.

Discussion took place regarding the suspension of holds via iBistro. This option was removed last weekend due to confusion for patrons (and for staff dealing with the patrons). Wording and ideas were bounced around and it was finally agreed that we would try the following wording:

*Going Away? Put a freeze on your hold while away. Enter a start date and end date below.*

Laurie will put this on the test server for this committee to review, along with a slight change in the error message wording.

SAILS received an email question regarding the “New Titles” list on the iBistro page. It currently sorts by title and the email stated that they wondered if there could be an option for sorting by the newest items received. We looked at OCLN as they have that as an option in a drop down menu. Laurie will look into whether this can be done for us.

Laurie requested that we consider an “iBistro tip of the month” for patrons (on the website). The committee came up with the following list of topics and the committee member responsible for the tip.

February	Suspending/freezing holds	Laurie Lessner
March	Link Building	Denise Briody
April	Fiction in a subject search	Bonnie Mendes

The rest of the topics will be discussed at the next PubPac meeting, please come up with more ideas.

The links within a bibliographic record in iBistro were discussed. Often times the link does not work. Laurie stated that this was set as a partial search and she can change it to an exact search – maybe this will work better.

Also discussed was the desire for popular searches such as newly received DVDs. Laurie will work on creating a search for the iBistro page. She will send out directions to this committee on how to do this for your webpage using a link builder.

A date for the annual User Services meeting was scheduled for April 25, 2007 at 10:00 AM at the SAILS office. Details regarding this meeting and “advertising” it for library staff will be discussed at our next PubPac meeting.

The next PubPac meeting will be March 5, 2007 at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Mendes, Chair.