Pioneer Library System Director's Goals and Objectives 2013 – <u>Approved by PLS Board 12/12/12</u> Cassie Guthrie

New for 2013:

1. Pioneer Library System Policy Review

- a) Review existing system policies with staff; schedule policy reviews / recommendations at System Board Meetings
- b) Begin work to revise and update Pioneer's Free Direct Access Plan
- c) Investigate similar cooperative public library system policies
- d) Make new policy recommendations to System Board, as needed

2. Increase Local Leadership Development Opportunities for Member Library Staff

- a) Pursue grant opportunities and partnerships to increase our ability to offer high quality and cost-effective training opportunities locally
- b) Identify appropriate speakers / tools for member library directors to increase or maintain their leadership skills

3. Increase Remote Access to Pioneer Meetings and Workshops

a) Explore alternate delivery systems for System Meetings, OWWL Training Sessions, Trustee / Staff Workshops and Pioneer Committee Meetings

Ongoing:

4. Monitor system staff roles and responsibilities

- a) Communicate regularly with staff through meeting and informal conversations re: workload, priorities, etc.
- b) Continue to realign system staffing as necessary to implement 2012-2016 Plan of Service

5. Develop an active and informed group of PLS member library trustees

- a) Provide at least 2 educational opportunities relating to trustee concerns in 2013
- b) Publish two "Trustee Talk" newsletters in 2013
- c) Offer and promote on-site trustee training and consultation to member library boards
- d) Develop "Tools for Trustees" section of PLS website
- e) Investigate creation of an optional e-mail listserv for PLS member library trustees

6. Effectively coordinate internal communication and external advocacy efforts

- a) Edit two "Pathfinder" newsletters in 2013
- b) Identify and implement ways to improve PLS website and PLUM
- c) Serve on NYLA Legislative Committee
- d) Coordinate meetings with state legislators at their district offices
- e) Encourage member library trustees and staff to attend Advocacy Day
- f) Work with NYLA community to frame focused messages for NYS Governor and Legislators

- 7. Encourage and assist libraries to become tax supported library districts and/or hold public budget votes each year with a goal of getting at least two libraries to explore feasibility in 2013
 - a) Offer and promote resources for member library directors and trustees
 - b) Offer and promote on-site library board consultation
 - c) Promote the importance of developing relationships with local officials and organizations
- 8. Explore areas of collaboration with MCLS, RRLC and others
 - a) Attend RRLC Advisory Council meetings, regional and state-wide NYALS meetings, and PULISDO meetings
 - b) Network and develop relationships with library system directors and academic librarians at conferences & workshops