

**REGENTS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE ON LIBRARIES (RACL)
MARCH 2021 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

March 19, 2021

Virtual Meeting

ATTENDEES:

RACL Executive Committee Members:

Alan Bernstein, Valdosta State University
Joy Bolt, University of North Georgia
Lisa Carmichael, Georgia Southern University
Toby Graham, University of Georgia
Tamatha Lambert, Middle Georgia State University
Barb Mann, Georgia Gwinnett College
Robert Quarles, Atlanta Metropolitan State College
Leslie Sharp, Georgia Institute of Technology
Andrea Stanfield, University of West Georgia
Jeff Steely, Georgia State University
Ru Story-Huffman, Georgia Southwestern State University

University System of Georgia/GALILEO/GIL:

Lucy Harrison, Sean Boyle, Russell Palmer, John Stephens, Joy Woodson, Barry Robinson, and Sean Purcell

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

- Chair Tamatha Lambert welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.
- Roll/Attendance of the group was provided by Lucy Harrison.
- Tamatha called for a motion to approve the agenda. Barb made the motion and Leslie seconded. All were in favor.
- Tamatha called for a motion to approve the minutes from the 2020 Fall General RACL meeting. Toby made the motion and Jeff seconded. All were in favor.

GIL/Alma updates (Sean Boyles)

- Alma updates presented. Alma Chat (Tier 1 support) – available as of March 15th. In order to use the chat feature an administrator has to assign the user a role. Suggestion is that only one person be given the assigned role at each institution since resolved chat tickets will not provide a transcript.
- Email asking for nominations for GIL coordinating Committee will go out in April.
- **RFP:** Committees have begun submitting documents. All documents due by March 31st.
- **RFI:** GIL/GALILEO staff will meet in April to develop RFI committee.

- **NERS:** ELUNA and IGeLU enhanced their voting system. Users will need to use institution ID and password to sign in.
- **Syndetics:** Three institutions left. Once those are done an email will go out to let everyone know that it is up.
- **AFN:** Reconfigured after February refresh and testing will begin soon.
- Testing a cloud app to load faculty and staff into Alma presently at Augusta. If successful will be implemented across USG.
- Complete Alma updates report link was sent out in an email prior to meeting.

GALILEO/GIL Resource Fee (Lucy Harrison):

- The overall USG fee should remain flat this year however individuals institutions may see an increase or decrease depending on the FTE.
- GALILEO resource fee is assessed strictly on FTE.
- GIL resource fee is assessed half on FTE and half on USG classification, holdings, and circulation.
- Most vendors are keeping their fee flat this year, however there are a few that have raised their fees. For this reason, the GALILEO/GIL resource fee will almost certainly be raised next year.
- Lucy went over in detail the breakdown of fees by institution. Asked for committee to decide whether to keep individual fee flat this year or adjust per allocation. All in favor of adjusting per allocation.

ProQuest eBooks (Lucy Harrison):

- Lucy went over the survey results. Most have agreed to pay for ProQuest.
- It is possible to use reserves for FY22 bringing the cost down to \$0.30 per FTE for USG institutions.
- A request has been made for restoration of central funds which would allow for lower cost per institution. If this request is approved cost can go down further.
- If there is no restoration of central funds, the cost will eventually go up, to about \$0.60 per FTE.
- These costs only work if all institutions participate.
- It was decided to move forward and present proposal at full RACL.

ICOLC/ OCLC Discussion (Lucy Harrison):

- Lucy led a discussion concerning the OCLC report and what the USG institutions could do if OCLC does not address the issues outlined in the report.

Planning for ILS RFI/ RFP (Lucy Harrison):

- Lucy led a discussion on the five year plan, where we are on the plan, and depending on decisions made what next steps will need to be.
- Lucy went over the RFI process and next steps.
- An RFI committee will need to be established with the chairs of the coordinating committees and coordinate with other institutions across the state to make sure all voices are heard without creating too large a committee. More details will be forthcoming at the full RACL meeting in April.

GUGM 2021 (Joy Woodson)

- Joy went over the agenda and information for GUGM 2021 to be held May 11- 13. <https://gil.usg.edu/conference/>

Spring RACL Meeting (Tamatha Lambert):

- Tamatha went over the agenda and information for Spring RACL to be held April 23.

OTHER MEMBER UPDATES:

Lucy Harrison led the discussion of other member updates by the group.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.