Regents Academic Committee on Libraries
Fall Meeting
November 11, 2011

MINUTES

Members Attending:
Nancy Anderson, Gordon College
Gordon Baker, Clayton State University
Alan Bernstein, Valdosta State University
Nancy Bray, Georgia College and State University
Pat Borck, Macon State College
Curt Carver, Information Technology Services
Bill Clayton, University of Georgia (representing Bill Potter)
Janice Daniel, East Georgia College
Marie Davis, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
Mary Jo Fayoyin, Savannah State University
Mark Flynn, Columbus State University
Dough Frazier, Armstrong Atlantic State University
Debbie Holmes, College of Coastal Georgia
Lynn Kelly, Waycross College
Lydia Knight, Dalton State College
Eva Lautemann, Georgia Perimeter College
LaVerne McLaughlin, Albany State University
Joyce Mills, Southern Polytechnic State University
Bede Mitchell, Georgia Southern University
David Morgan, Board of Regents
Catherine Murray-Rust, Georgia Institute of Technology
Annie Payton, Fort Valley State University
Merryll Penson, Information Technology Services
Robert Quarles, Atlanta Metropolitan College
Susan Ralph, Bainbridge College
Camilla Reid, Augusta State University
Paul Robards, Middle Georgia College
Gene Ruffin, Georgia Gwinnett College
Charlie Sicignano, University of West Georgia (representing Lorene Flanders)
Brian Sinclair, Georgia State University (representing Nan Seamans)
Jacqueline Vickers, South Georgia College
Mary Washington, Darton College
Vera Weisskopf, Georgia Southwestern State University
Betsy Whitley, North Georgia College and State University (representing Shawn Tonner)

Welcome - Gene Ruffin, Chair of the Committee welcomed members and guest to the meeting. Attendees introduced themselves. Gene then welcomed guest speaker David Morgan.

David Morgan, USG Interim Executive Vice Chancellor & Chief Academic Officer

Dr. Morgan shared the Board of Regents vision for the future.

- Chancellor's 3 goals: Partnership, performance, value of education
- Complete College Georgia: sponsored by Lumina Foundation. 28 states have received funding for this program. USG, TCSG, and private colleges will need to produce a quarter million completers in the next decade.
- Consolidation of some schools is real and it's coming. The Board will be asked to look at economies in some areas. We will see some things happening after the first of the year but it will probably take 10-12 months to make the changes.

Partners not Tenants: A discussion on the Value of Having Other Service Units in the Library Building

- Bede Mitchell presented from the Georgia Southern experience. –Two units are housed in Henderson Library that are not administratively a part of the library. The Center for Teaching, Learning and Scholarship and the other is subset of the campus Instructional Technology unit. Henderson had in mind to design from scratch a learning commons based on the Georgia Tech model. Primary role is to assist with services being provided in the learning commons. Henderson Library has been able to greatly expand assistance and support to students using sophisticated learning techniques. Partnership in this regard has been something that has made the learning commons a huge success. Center for teaching and learning scholar (center for excellence in teaching) main mission is to work with teaching faculty to help improve their classes. By having them in the library, they hoped to be able to collaborate more on assisting faculty. Shortly before renovation completed, a restructuring in this department took place. Their mission contracted and they took on a very well-focused but narrow mission in instructional design placing emphasis on teaching scholarship and learning. The innovation group was placed in Continuing Education. Therefore, this partnership has not been as fruitful as hoped. Lessons Learned - this change was beyond our control. Benefits of partnerships have been so obviously palpable now we have additional partnerships to benefit from. Another success – we have now been better positioned to assist students on day-to-day basis, but to prepare them for changes. Library never pays for public computers or printers. Also, means the library has to interact as a computer lab. Instituted policy - reasonable limit on printing. IT Services is not used to having this public service face and direct interaction with folks. Another aspect is aspects of building security. No feasible way for folks in center for teaching, learning, and scholarship to have a separate entrance to safely segregate them from the library. If they want to work at odd hours, they may be out of luck. Not everyone is entitled to have a key. One other aspect – building maintenance. Our agreement is that they have their own self-contained corridor. If they want to paint classroom they pay for it. who has authority over what needs to be worked out in advance. Overall – partnership with IT services achieved the goals.

- Catherine Murray-Rust presented on the Georgia Tech experience. 95% of all the materials tech library takes in are in electronic form. If we don't change the way the campus see us, as a service provider, we'll end up being a purchasing agent. Collaboration in the design of spaces and services began in 2001 in the west commons. East commons opened in 2006 with different design and more social, flexible space. Library 2 west (2nd floor) is a very

different space designed for group work. Most of these renovations took place with library/grant money. Very little came from Georgia Tech. Partnership for early innovations were library and OIT with a formal, legal MOU. Clough Commons –The design process for Clough Commons took about 12 years. In that process the library got pushed out but are now back in charge. There have been 25 new staff positions hired to manage the building – most are security guards. Building features: 220,000 square feet, sustainable design, 41 classrooms, labs, 2100 common seats, roof garden, Starbucks, Gallery, Core information desk – staff from library staff. The Library's goals – physically manage building; transition stakeholders/residents from construction process to partners in academia; create successful academic programs with the partners in support of research, teaching, and learning. What does this mean for the library? Positive development – a way to transform to the future – seen and recognized as a value to the campus. Recognition of service of library staff. Hard work to change cultures, role, responsibilities. Need to creatively rethink the organization, services, and space. Opportunity for the library and staff to learn and grow. The prospect of even more responsibility in the near future for other academic services.

Business Meeting
- Approval of Spring Minutes – minutes of the spring meeting were approved.

- Report of the Executive Director
  - Reported on eBooks vs. collections
  - What would study entail and how would it be initiated? Get a group and determine which things we want to look at. OCLC has offered to partner with us to help with a research project. Once we look at this, determine what this means. May help to determine what we want to do with eBooks collectively. Some publishers are not allowing collective use. Some offer interlibrary loan options. Some things we can do within the union catalog. Any costs associated with study? Time.
  - Budget – have to reduce 2% this year and 2% next year. GALILEO for the USG gets $$ from state funds and money from SFI dollars. The legislature decided they wanted to do 0-based budgeting.
  - Formula funding commission looking at that and performance/retention/enrollment. If not funded based on FTE, not sure how vendors will charge.

- Voyager 8 upgrade recommendation – Merryll asked members to ok moving forward with the upgrade in May. During Maymester libraries will have GIL-FIND so people will be able to find things. Smaller collections will be an overnight upgrade. GIL Express will be the concern. It was requested that the upgrade be the 10th through the 15th because of the banner load, etc. Merryll and others will review the dates to account for any special circumstances and adjust.
  - RACL members agreed upon this timing.

- RACL SharePoint Site/Survey Results – one of Curt's initiatives is to have collaborative site. ITS has implemented team sites.
  - Allows for a discussion site
  - Allows for storage of documents
  - Staff are working to get documents loaded

- o There will be some training
- o Will be available to RACL members soon.

- Staff Development Workshops: Focus on Next Generation library Systems - Next generation system – will probably have Voyager 10 but ALMA is going to be ready soon. Have planned a series of webinars for people to get on November 28rd at 10:00 p.m. Marshall Breeding at Vanderbilt will give an overview of new systems. Michael Clark Levene of the University of Denver will speak in December. Will also bring in some other venders. Wind up at GUGM to determine where we go next and tie into the Complete College Georgia program.

- RACL Strategic Plan Update – Discard policy from UGA? Bill Potter is working through procurement to get an RFP out. We are looking for a way to have a vendor provide financial reimbursement for discards for things we are not going to keep and how to do that as a process across the system.

New Business

- Open access Scholarly Communication - would like us as a system to have an open access policy. Example: Duke University. Draft a paper to help us talk through the process. Intent would be to provide a public benefit of such dissemination by promoting in the long term preservation of scholarly work. Dave Evans is hoping to host a seminar on open access/scholarly communication program.

- GALILEO advocacy task form – Ann Hamilton has formed a committee. Conference call was held November 3rd and a Facebook page is available. As she comes up with advocacy items, Gene will pass on to group.

- Debbie Holmes talked about EBooks – looked at vendors and how they are providing eBooks.   Looked at some consortiums and what they have done. Inquired about conducting an ebook summit – get collection development people together to see what we can do re eBooks from a GALILEO perspective, possibility to fold into another event. The RACL Executive Committee will discuss.

- GLA midwinter is Jan 27th at Clayton State

- Shared Storage Facility Update – Facilities staff at BOR are doing a study on USG facilities. Once study is in place, it would probably show some of the things we want to demonstrate in terms of value, but this initiative is on hold until the study is finished.

Adjourn – meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.