

RACL Spring Minutes
Macon State College
April 8, 2011

Committee Members Attending:

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College – Midge Galentine-Steis
Albany State University – LaVerne McLaughlin
Armstrong Atlantic State University – Doug Frazier
Atlanta Metropolitan College – Robert Quarles
Augusta State University – Camilla Reid
Bainbridge College – Susan Ralph
Clayton State University – Gordon Baker
College of Coastal Georgia – Debbie Holmes
Columbus State University – Roberta Ford
Dalton State College – Lydia Knight
Darton College – Mary Washington
East Georgia College – Carol Bray
Fort Valley State University – Annie Payton
Gainesville State College – Deborah Prosser
Georgia College and State University – Nancy Davis Bray
Georgia Gwinnett College – Gene Ruffin
Georgia Highlands College – Elijah Scott
Georgia Institute of Technology – Catherine Murray-Rust
Georgia Perimeter College – Eva Lautemann
Georgia Southern University – Bede Mitchell
Georgia Southwestern State University – Vera Weisskopf
Georgia State University – Nan Seamans
Gordon College – Nancy Anderson
Kennesaw State University – Betty Childres
Macon State College – Pat Borck
Middle Georgia College – Paul Robards
North Georgia College and State University – Shawn Tonner
Savannah State University – Mary Jo Fayoyin
Southern Polytechnic State University – Joyce Mills
South Georgia College – Jacqueline Vickers
University of Georgia – Bill Potter
University of West Georgia – Lorene Flanders
Valdosta State University – Alan Bernstein
Waycross College – Lynn Kelly
Board of Regents – Merryll Penson
Guest – Kate Nevins, LYRASIS
Guest – Lamar Veatch, State Librarian Georgia Public Library Service
Guest – Alan Harkness, Georgia Public Library Service

Welcome – Dr. Bede Mitchell, Chair, welcomed the group to the Spring meeting at Macon State College. Dr. Mitchell welcomed new members Deborah Prosser from Gainesville State College and Alan Bernstein from Valdosta State University as first time attendees.

Dr. Mitchell asked the members to complete their ballots and turn them in to be tallied during the morning break. Thanks to Gordon Baker and committee for putting together the nominations.

Presentation by Lamar Veatch, Georgia Public Library Service (GOLD) – Dr. Lamar Veatch, State Librarian with the Georgia Public Library Services (GPLS) reported on progress at GPLS. Alan Harkness, Assistant Director for Library Development and new to GPLS was introduced. Dr. Veatch updated the members on the legislative progress. The state Department of Education decided to eliminate its funding support for GALILEO. Dr. Veatch started collectively with Merryll, Curt Carver, and friends in the legislature to raise the visibility of what GALILEO means to all. GPLS will focus on more training to the public libraries inviting K-12, academic and technical college participation.

GOLD net lending throughout the state has been a long-time program and LSTA funding through GPLS provides part of that GOLD reimbursement program. GPLS will be ending those payments and redirect the funding for other purposes. GPLS will make one final payment and that will be the last one. GOLD has been an important program but not necessary. GPLS will hold a summit meeting in the coming weeks look at it and see if it continues to be of value. If library directors have knowledge of GOLD, please let GPLS know so they can be included in the summit. The GOLD/GALILEO conference had been held for 20 years as a stand-alone conference. Because of lost LSTA funding, Dr. Veatch has approached the COMO leadership and will combine GOLD/GALILEO with COMO making GOLD a one-day pre-conference session. This means there will not be the GOLD/GALILEO conference in late July. It will become part of the COMO family of conferences.

Library for the blind program or GLASS, which are sub-regional libraries for the blind in Public Libraries around the state (Albany, Bainbridge, Athens, Augusta), are being repurposed to become Readers Advisory Centers. GPLS will be phasing out cassettes and phasing in digital media. The mailing service will be less important that it has been. GPLS will be moving the fulfillment center (containing ½ million items) in cooperation with Atlanta Fulton Public Library into the AFPL library downtown. This will be more convenient and visible for patrons of the Readers Advisory and outreach program. State-wide library volumes will be housed at the State Archives. Renting space from Archives will also help out Archives with their budget issues.

Presentation by Marlee Givens, GALILEO Knowledge Repository

Ms. Givens presented an update on the GALILEO Knowledge Repository. She discussed the benefits of an institutional repository. Major deliverables: four new Dspace IRs, metadata repository for federated searching of all USG IRs, IR-related services to facility participation and sustainability.

Updated since Fall, 2010

- Hosted site implementation
- GKR metadata repository implementation
- IR-related services
- Meetings, site visits and presentations
- Next steps

Julie Speer has assumed the role of PI replacing Tyler Walters.

Hosted sites are Albany State (RamScholar), Georgia Health Sciences University (Scholarly Commons), College of Coastal Georgia (Coastal Georgia), and Georgia Gwinnett College (first visit will be next week to set up site). Ms. Given provided an overview of the repository sites for each of the host sites.

Ms. Givens provided an overview of metadata mapping tool.

Catherine Murray-Rust reminded the members that the IMLS grant runs out in 18 months and that it is important to figure out how to sustain the cost and keep the project going.

Presentation by Kate Nevins, LYRASIS

Kate Nevins provided an update of LYRASIS – collaboration, improved discovery, smartphones/tablets give us new delivery methods and revisit priorities.

Licensing program – Tom Sanville (formerly with Ohiolink – chair of ICOLC) has joined the LYRASIS team. Tom's job is to repurpose and reorganize the licensing program.

Need to change the nature of working with publishers and thinking about how to rethink licensing across consortia. Collaborative Licensing – to change dynamics in favor of the library rather than the vendor; to increase competition among vendors; interested in working in an intra-consortia basis. LYRASIS held their consortia summit last November to start talking about priorities for intra-consortial practices.

Working groups include:

- Project MUSE and University Press eBook consortium
- Elsevier eBooks
- JSTOR current scholarships eJournals

- Language learning packages
- Digital education media
- Small publisher content

New items for Spring include:

- Duke University Press: Mathematical Journal Archive
- EBSCO Digital Historical Archive
- Emerald Journal Back files
- GALE eReference special bundle
- Oxford journal archives
- Sage Deep Back files
- Taylor & Francis Journal online archive, collections, eBooks and CRCnet BASES
- Springer eBook (inter-consortia licensing)
- Net Library shared collection 10

All of this Information is available in the LYRASIS bi-weekly newsletter. Members should let Kate know if you want to receive the newsletter.

Effective Library operations

Open source services – funding from Mellon foundation

Lyrasis is exploring the opportunity to develop a discovery layer tool. The goal is to make discovery layer tools more affordable; working with Index Data and Relais. Would have a link to a resources sharing (ILL) tool.

Knowledge and Innovation includes:

- WMS (services in the Cloud)
- Webscale – offering classes on cataloging
- Ideas and insights program – need for increased coming together on issues
- Resource sharing service/technology service – use of mobile devices
- LYRASIS classes

Other LYRASIS News

OCLC billing transition – effective July 1, OCLC is taking on all admin services (billing). First invoice from OCLC will be in August. If libraries need a contract or sole source letter, contact Becky Hurley. Watch the LYRASIS newsletter for information sessions. Libraries may make deposits to OCLC directly. There is a place on their website to

complete the form and make a deposit and you can transfer deposit with LYRASIS to OCLC.

Grants – active grants from IMLS, Gates Foundation, Melon Foundation, and Sloan Foundation.

Board elections – information forthcoming on the website. Election will be the first two weeks in May.

The LYRASIS membership meeting will be a virtual meeting on November 9. Details are forthcoming but will include a speaker and panel and update from the board.

Member advisory group which is managed through telephone and listserv includes:

- Cataloging & metadata
- ILL & Resource sharing
- Preservation & Digitization
- Reference & Discovery
- Collection Development & Management
- Academic Library eContent
- Public library eContent
- Technology

RACL Business Meeting:

Election Result. Dr. Mitchell announced the following election results:

- RACL Chair-elect – Catherine Murray-Rust, Georgia Institute of Technology
- RACL Secretary-elect – Debbie Holmes, College of Coastal Georgia
- RACL Member-at-Large – David Evans, Kennesaw State University

Presentation of resolution/certificate of appreciation to Carol Bray – Dr. Mitchell presented Ms. Carol Bray with a Resolution and Certificate of Appreciation from the members celebrating her many years of service to East Georgia College and the RACL committee.

Report from Executive Director, Merryll S. Penson

- GALILEO Update distributed to members.
- Background provided concerning K12 events regarding GALILEO – in September, DOE decided they couldn't participate in GALILEO. USG and DOE share the SFI funds in the USG budget, but DOE had been supplementing funds. While the decision was made in September, the DOE budget presentation to the Joint Appropriations Committee of the General Assembly brought the issue to the attention of the General Assembly. GLMA representatives, as well as Lamar Veatch talked with legislators about the value of GALILEO and potential impact

when one user community is not able to participate. Merryll and Curt met with senate staff and the OPB. Bob Glass arranged for meetings with legislators in his area to discuss funding, challenges, etc. This combination of things helped to make the case GALILEO was important. Funding was restored to the DOE budget for participation in GALILEO. This did allow us the opportunity to provide fact sheets and inform about GALILEO in a way we haven't in some time. Senator Hill, Chair of the Appropriations Committee, said they were putting these funds back because. "GALILEO is an important reference for this state". Members were encouraged to thank Senator Hill and others if they have the opportunity.

- Merryll has met with TCGS Leadership and is meeting with the TCGS Library Council.
- A group of public library directors is looking at GALILEO resources and developing ebook criteria and considering what the right mix is for FY13. They may need different resources from what they currently have and that could have some impact on the academic community if they determine they no longer need certain resources. GALILEO Staff will be working with GPLS on more training efforts.
- GIL Express – Received a request from Public Libraries to see if we could use our courier service to deliver things between the Public Libraries and the USG libraries. All questions are resolved but need to send the information to the GIL Coordinating Group. Each library would have PINES bags and each would have GIL Express bags. We would start with a pilot. This program should not cost us anything at this point.
- GIL Find – we have learned that we need to review our process in terms of how we push out GIL Find. We need to take a look at what we do and how we do it and then figure out what we do for the next steps.
- Next generation – The technical colleges might be interested in participating with us. This might help with funding resources.

NetLibrary 10th Shared Collection

- When Merryll tried to get information, Ebsco said that GALILEO couldn't have access to this collection via Lyris. We would need to work directly with Ebsco. If as a group we wanted to pursue, we could add NetLibrary 10 or other kinds of ebooks as well.

GALILEO FY12 Budget and Database Review

- RACL Exec group met and talked about budget situation. Merryll asked the group to confirm that in reviewing these costs, that RACL wanted to maintain GIL

Resources i.e., GIL Courier, Marcive, etc. and that libraries were unable to contribute across the board to fund these resources.

- Laura Burtle put out a survey with results from all 35 people surveyed of the “least” valuable items on the list. The RACL Exec group looked at these things and determined we needed to talk about them at the RACL meeting. Curt has been working diligently to get resources for GALILEO in terms of infrastructure. He has been trying to make the case to consider ways to fund these core services, PeachNet, GALILEO, etc. In May Curt will be presenting to the Board of Regents. There is a possibility of end of year funds to off-set some of these things.
- What are the databases that we need to consider?
 - Films on Demand
 - Book Index with Reviews
 - Oxford Art Online
 - Britannica – price likely to go up for other groups (K12, PLs)
 - Dissertation abstracts – shared with GPALS, AMPALS.

MOTION: To give the RACL Exec committee the authority to make the decision to eliminate databases. Motion made by Doug Frazier. Motion passed.

- Merryll will send the scenarios electronically to the members.

RACL Strategic Plan Update – Dr. Mitchell reported that the task force in general needs to have a formal plan for raising awareness of GALILEO and for promoting it. The task force, chaired by Ann Hamilton, was initially focused on the short-term but is now turning their attention to the longer term. Plans are underway for a first face-to-face meeting.

Scholarly Communication task force (ebook task force) – The task force is working on a white paper to consider moving to and coming to terms with ebooks technology and academic libraries.

GIL ILL Committee – asked them to review RAPID. They have submitted a report which will be discussed at RACL Exec. Depending on the discussion may have something to report later.

Shared Storage Facility – need to determine if we put on hold or move forward or should we have information ready when we get a new chancellor. Emory is interested in discussing a partnership in this. Maybe coordinated with ARCHE institutions. Consensus was to move forward with developed a plan and have information ready for new chancellor’s consideration.

GUGM Planning – Gene Ruffin reported that GUGM registration should be open late next week. Kudos to Deborah, Merryll, Viki Timian and her group for putting this together. Members are asked to encourage their staff to attend. The registration fee is

\$45. We will be able to accommodate GUGM presenters and two passes per institution.

New Business and Announcements

Copyright lawsuit – Nan Seamans reported that the trial begins on May 16 in Atlanta and is anticipated to last two weeks.

Mary Jo Fayoyin reported that Savannah State University has their SACS reaffirmation last week. The institution passed with only two recommendations.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m. by Dr. Bede Mitchell, Chair.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Borck, Secretary

Regents Academic Committee on Libraries