

**RACL Spring 2012 Meeting
Minutes
March 16, 2012
Macon State College**

Attendees

Gordon Baker, David King, Brenda Seago, Catherine Murray-Rust, Argent Sue Gibson, Robert Quarles, Nancy Anderson, Alan Bernstein, Bede Mitchell, Eva Lautemann, Tammy Sugarman, Ru Story Huffman, Vera J. Weisskopf, Yongli Ma, Joyce Mills, Mary Washington, Mary Jo Fayoyin, Debra Fennell, Paul Robards, Jeff Dowdy, Camilla Reid, Jolene Wertz, Annie M. Payton, Mark Flynn, Shawn Tonner, Deborah Prosser, Lydia Knight, Pat Borck, Lynn Kelly, Jacqueline Vickers, Doug Frazier, Marie Davis, Lorene Flanders. Elijah Scott and David Evans

The Meeting was called to order at 9:30

Welcome & Introductions—Gene Ruffin

Introductions of participants and guests were made.

Presentations on Library 1101 at UWG and Chrome Books at CSU

Library 1101 at UWG – Lorene Flanders & Anne Barnhart

UWG presented findings from a study of the success rates of over 10,000 full time first term students who took its Area B Core course LIBR 1101 from 1999-2010. Grade point averages, graduation and retention rates were studied and founded to be higher for students who took LIBR 1101 than for those who did not take the course.

Introduction of Chrome Notebooks at CSU – Mark Flynn

CSU has acquired Chrome Notebooks for students in the library. It is a web appliance for cloud services. It has a USB. Flash drive. Everything is saved in the cloud space. \$20 per unit per month. Technical support is bundled with it. Google will upgrade everything.

Advancing RACL's Strategic Initiatives- Gene Ruffin

Background and reporting of RACL Exec SUMMIT

There was a brief review of the strategic initiatives that were developed by the RACL executive committee. There was discussion of priorities and how RACL can work forward towards the accomplishment of the priorities. RACL broke out into discussion groups of how to move forward with a working lunch.

Reporting from Breakout Sessions

Virtual Reference /Information Literacy.

Bede Mitchell reported that Information literacy is a high priority. BOR libraries should consider developing best practices and examining the use of shared reference services. A two-day gathering of librarians could be convened to determine how we can share information literacy.

Virtual Reference/Shared Technical Services

Eva Lautemann reported from her group that virtual reference services would be a future endeavor for libraries and a universal template for a library 1101 may be a direction we take. She agreed with the sharing two- day workshop for information literacy. Her group discussed shared funding for shared services such as LibGuides for RACL could be considered. The group cautioned that we need to have expertise with cataloging if we are thinking of shared cataloging. This group recommended an expansion of GKR and a statewide repository.

Shared Technical Services

Catherine Murray-Rust reported that we should examine shared acquisitions and cataloging. It is a time to take a look at paper vs. eBook in this transition time. We will be renovating instead of building and are developing a different relationship with our campuses. Our next automation system will be central to how we conduct business with user engagement, access to more electronic resources and cataloging. Chartering an eBook task force to determine an eBook model is an option with a small group to pilot. Also a group to review collaborative technical services and make recommendations should be convened.

Assessment/Shared Technical Services

Shawn Tonner reported a recommendation of a state online information literacy course. This group desired USG Libraries to continue to collect assessment data. They wish to see standardized assessments such as Libqual and do more analysis of collections using tools like Bowker collection analysis. They recommended exploring patron driven acquisitions and subscription rather than book purchases or investigate leasing rather than ownership. They expressed the need for shared copyright expertise. Her group reiterated centralizing ILL and cataloging. They recommended ubiquitous sharing. Need for shared copyright expertise.

Director's Report – Merryll Penson

1. The **Reinvest in GALILEO** proposal concept has gone to USG Leadership. All public user communities were asked about their concerns and their concerns were represented. We currently have a core collection. Our proposal is favorably considered but the BOR has lots of priorities at this time.
2. GALILEO and RACL continue to investigate Discovery tools. We are in a Primo trial to see how it would work with GIL-Find. Currently we are using WebFeat but it is being purchased. We are exploring other options. There is a promising opportunity on the horizon but more information is required. If doable, the first year is covered but institutions may have to pay in FY 14.

3. USG had a 2% reduction. GALILEO has to respond while databases have increased in cost due to FTE going up. We will know more in May.

Old Business/new business

Minutes were approved

Election Results

Annie Payton, Chair Elect
Robert Quarles, Secretary
Debbie Holmes, At large
Elijah Scott, Two year term
Paul Robards, Two year term

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Other Topics

Distance education task force

RACL is responding to the Distance Education task force.

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GUGM

Catherine Murray-Rust is chair this year of GUGM this year and will be chair of RACL next year. GUGM will focus on next generation library systems. There will be an online form to register. It is on May 19, 2011 – Onsite at Macon State College. Scholarships will be offered. The speaker is Stephen Wrigley. The cost will be \$45.

3:00 Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Holmes, Secretary