

RACL Fall 2014 Meeting Minutes

November 13-14, 2014

Georgia College and State University, Milledgeville

November 13, 2014

Attendees:

USG—Amanda McKenzie, Deborah Prosser, Michelle Barsom, Debbie Holmes, Stephanie Coney, Nancy Colyar, Kristin Nielsen, Cathy Jeffrey, Ru Story Huffman, LaVerne McLaughlin, Mary Jo Fayoyin, Mark Flynn, Bede Mitchell, Lorene Flanders, Julius Whitaker, Barb Mann, Pat Borck, Elijah Scott, Jeff Carrico, Joe Windish, Merryll Penson, Courtney McGough, Joe Mocnik

Technical College System of Georgia and other guests – Kathryn Thompson, Eli Arnold, Scott Gillies, Bonnie Owen, Beth Hammond, Stephanie Middleton, Saxony Betts, Daniel Rasmus, Steve O’Dell

- The meeting began at 12:00PM. Joe Mocnik provided a welcome to the group on behalf of GCSU and Elijah Scott, Chair, provided a welcome on behalf of RACL. All participants introduced themselves and lunch was served
- From 1:00PM-4:00PM, Daniel Rasmus, Managing Director & Principle Analyst at Serious Insights presented the program “Listening to the Future: Exploring the Future of Libraries”
 - Mr. Rasmus has worked with the USG for the “Invent the Beyond” program which looks at what the future will look like in 2030 as well long-range strategic planning
 - Mr. Rasmus posed the question “How will libraries work in 2024?”
 - Everyone was broken into groups and asked to invent the libraries of the future based on four scenarios: Find you own path, To each their own, Walled City, and Drowning in the Riches
 - Each group presented their library of the future
 - Major points were that the future is always being created, a trend in driving force is uncertainty, customer analysis is key, and that students want to learn what they need to know “just in time”
 - Mr. Rasmus recommended two books for further reading:
 - *Too Big to Know* by David Weinberger
 - *How Buildings Learn: What Happens After They’re Built* by Stewart Brand
- At 4:00PM, Merryll Penson and Courtney McGough from GALILEO led a discussion about the relationship between EBSCO and GALILEO. Things discussed were:
 - EBSCO cost-share
 - Looking at the EBSCO Full-text Finder
 - Steve O’Dell, Vice President of Sales for EBSCO Information Services gave a presentation about the future of EBSCO
 - Discovery—Adding a placard to allow users to search for specific journals by titles/databases; Research Starters

- Search Technology—Better support of keyword searching; support for common misspellings; enhanced autocomplete; pairing user searches with support indexing (concept-based searching); add to thesauri for databases; browsable catalog of apps, plugins and extensions for discovery platform
 - Learning Management System—Curriculum Builder
 - Open Access—open access titles in EBSCOnet & Discovery
 - PlumAnalytics—altmetrics to value scholarly impact of an article; integration with EDS
- At 5:00PM, there was a break for a reception provided by EBSCO

November 14, 2014

Attendees:

USG—Amanda McKenzie, Bryan Sinclair, Mary Washington, Michelle Barsom, Ru Story Huffman, LaVerne McLaughlin, Agnes Muriuki, Mark Flynn, Lydia Knight, Nancy Colyar, Gene Ruffin, Sonya Gaither, Jeff Carrico, Julius Whitaker, Janice Williams, Brenda Seago, Catherine Murray-Rust, Merryll Penson, Toby Graham, Stephanie Coney, Lorene Flanders, Donna Bennett, Bede Mitchell, Pat Borck, Deborah Prosser, Elijah Scott, Debbie Holmes, Cathy Jeffrey

Technical College System of Georgia and other guests—Kathleen Williams, Karan Pittman, Leigh Hall, Stephanie Middleton, Bonnie Owen, Saxony Betts, Kathryn Thompson

- At 9:00AM, Elijah Scott, RAEL Chair, and Joe Mocnik, GCSU host, welcomed guest and called the meeting to order
 - Explanation of optional tours—GCSU Library, Old Governor’s Mansion, Andalusia, GCSU campus, etc.
 - A motion was made to approve the Spring 2014 minutes by Bede Mitchell and seconded by Gene Ruffin. The Spring 2014 minutes were approved
- Discussions of future considerations based on the previous day’s program
 - MOOCs
 - Some said that they preferred none of the futures presented, but that the exercise was useful
 - Discussion about strategic plans in our own libraries and whether or not we should share them with our non-library colleagues
 - How do libraries plan to be adaptable?
 - Georgia Tech shared their “Engineered for You” video on YouTube which explains the value of a library without books
 - Discussion of transitioning librarians to faculty status
 - Discussion of different cultures at different types of schools (research vs. teaching) and how to garner support for the library at different levels
- At 11:00AM, there was an introduction of attendees

- New & Notable
 - Nancy Colyar reported on the consolidation of SPSU and Kennesaw State University—she advises to start getting to know each other as people quickly and to socialize; officially in January the schools will be known only as Kennesaw State University with a Kennesaw campus and a Marietta campus; Nancy will retain her job as director of her campus and will retain most of her staff, although some will switch campuses
 - Cathy Jeffrey discussed a renovation project at Clayton State University—they are about halfway through the project and should be finished by next fall
 - Mark Flynn reported about Pasaquan being recently acquired by Columbus State University and the Art Complex and the university being renovated
 - Nancy Colyar reported that the KSU Sturgis Library has a partial renovation project beginning
 - Catherine Murray-Rust reported that Georgia Tech will soon begin an \$80 million renovation. They are working with a consulting firm called Bright Spot and believe the state will bond the project out in FY16. They are also starting a library services center/storage center with Emory
 - Brenda Seago discussed Georgia Regents University's first successful Bioinformatics course that happened in the fall and that a Spring meet is happening
 - Sonya Gaither reported that Gordon State College is beginning a library renovation and creating a print repository with plans to move 60-70% of the collection into the repository
 - Bryan Sinclair from Georgia State University discussed their CURVE center featured on the Georgia Library Association's website
 - Toby Graham discussed that Habitat for Humanity is constructing a temporary Habitat House on the lawn of Special Collections at the University of Georgia on April 1 as part of UGA acquiring the Habitat papers; also discussed the Georgia Writer's Hall of Fame inductions
- RACL Statement on Open Access—Deborah Prosser and Brenda Seago presented a statement by RACL that could be used to present to faculty senates in support of open access resources
- Information Literacy Open Educational Resource—Deborah Prosser is working with the University Press of North Georgia to create an open access textbook for information literacy. Amanda Nash from UNG will head up the project. If any other librarians in the state would like to contribute please email Deborah and let her know
- eBooks—Mark Flynn discussed that the group tried to look at different licensing models to come up with a model license for what a consortial license would look like, but that idea did not take. Now, he is working with Courtney McGough to put together scenarios with vendor partners to see what licensing models would look like and plans to do a survey to the committee in the next month of which one they like best
- Next Generation Library System—Elijah Scott
 - Needs analysis is completed
 - TCSG expressed interest in participating

- Tie to Complete College Georgia
- Ask for advocacy of university leaders at the system level for central funding or ask for funding at the college level for individual libraries—the year-one bubble will be more expensive
- Report from the Executive Director—Merryll Penson
 - SRS—Service offered by ITS to buy software at a reduced rate
 - Merryll attended several CIO meetings where digital content was discussed which can provide partnerships with libraries
 - See report provided by Merryll
- Spring Meeting – Merryll Penson
 - Location was voted for Jekyll Island in April—Debbie Holmes volunteered to help secure an exact location

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15PM

Respectfully submitted by Amanda McKenzie

Approved by RA CL 4/17/2015