

RACL Spring 2015 Meeting Minutes

April 16-17, 2015

Sea Palms, St. Simon's Island

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Attendees:

USG and GALILEO—Amanda McKenzie, Lorene Flanders, Lydia Knight, Agnes Muriuki, Ann Fuller, Mark Flynn, Catherine Murray-Rust, Jacqueline Vickers, Cathy Jeffrey, Barb Mann, Debbie Holmes, Bede Mitchell, Sonya Gaither, Julius Whitaker, Merryll Penson, Frank Roberts, Michelle Barsom, Marie Davis, Alan Bernstein, Ru Story Huffman, Pat Borck, Ana Guimaraes, Mary Jo Fayoyin, Mary Washington, Dana Walker, Elijah Scott

- The meeting began at 8:10AM. Elijah Scott, Chair, provided a welcome to everyone on behalf of RACL and asked everyone to introduce themselves and tell one good thing that had recently happened at their library. All participants introduced themselves.
- At 8:40AM, The Nominating Committee gave their report, announcing the slate of candidates for RACL for the next year. RACL members were also encourage to talk about “New and Notable” happenings at their libraries:
 - Catherine Murray-Rust reported that the Georgia Tech/Emory collaboration has been signed by the USG and that the collection development department has been relocated. Georgia Tech’s SACS reaffirmation also went very well.
 - Lydia Knight spoke about Dalton State College’s summer reading program were students are encouraged to read five books and they are entered into a drawing. The library is working with Student Life and the theme is “A Taste of Summer” centering around food-themed books
 - Amanda McKenzie reported that East Georgia State College and Emanuel County will be the first stop for the Smithsonian Exhibit *Hometown Teams: How Sports Shape America*—the library will be an integral part of this project.
 - Mary Jo Fayoyin reported that the Confucius Institute at Savannah State University has been housed in the library. It has increased traffic in the library of international students and the local community.
 - Frank Roberts at Georgia Gwinnett College spoke about a faculty survey completed at the college that indicated a need in the library for a MakerSpace and more faculty interaction.
- At 8:40AM, Richard Lugg from OCLC gave a presentation about Shared Sustainable Collections in the USG
 - He discussed adopting a rules-based approach for weeding
 - *Libraries and Learning: A History of Paradigm Change* by Scott Bennett (2003)
 - *On the Cost of Keeping a Book* by Courant & Nielsen
 - NCSU Virtual Browse feature

- Analysis of the USG Collections
 - 10.3 million holdings and 4.9 million individual titles
 - 87% books, 4% serials, 9% other
 - Almost 3 million uniquely held titles and 7.3 million duplicated holdings (within places like HathiTrust, WorldCat, etc.)
 - 178,000 titles held by 5 libraries or more within the state—does that open up opportunities for sharing within the state?
- Opportunities for “above the institution” collection management—things like shared repositories, shared collection development, etc.
- Discussion of “what is a library?” Answer = “inspiration space”
- 12:00PM – Lunch
- At 1:20PM, Merryll Penson introduced Shelley Nickel, Vice Chancellor for Shared Services and Planning.
 - Consolidation—Principles behind consolidation and explanation of the consolidations that have already happened within the USG
 - Shared Services – OneUSG; ADP is moving to PeopleSoft
 - Other opportunities for Shared Services – Financial Aid, ITS, Mandated Reporting, Office of Educational Access & Success (Complete College Georgia)
- At 2:15PM, Cathy Jeffrey gave the Collaborative Technical Services Team Report.
 - Concerns about weeding and the Last Copy in Georgia policy needing to be revamped.
 - Assessment of collections
 - Opportunities for Shared Technical Services/Cataloging throughout the system
 - Shared print repository
 - Potential for a training position being created at the system level
- Elijah Scott presented the results of the RACL survey at 3:00PM. The largest concerns expressed by the library directors were organizational change, consolidation, and morale/team building. Elijah Scott then lead a discussion with the RACL group about the ACRL Library of the Future and other selected readings that were sent to the group prior to the meeting.
- At 4:00PM, Eric Hines from Ex Libris spoke to the group about the future of GALILEO with Ex Libris and ALMA. Ex Libris then hosted a reception for the RACL members.

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- At 8:15AM Elijah Scott, Chair, called the meeting to order. There was a discussion of new business and elections.
 - 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