

RACL Executive Committee Minutes

April 13, 2017

Lake Blackshear Resort

Attendees:

Jeff Steely, Sandra Bandy (for Augusta), Bede Mitchell, Ru Story-Huffman, Gordon Baker, Alan Bernstein, Sarah Fraticelli (for East Georgia), Mark Flynn (Chair), Debbie Holmes, Toby Graham, Catherine Murray-Rust, Sonya Gaither (Chair Elect), Lucy Harrison, and Jason Battles.

Chair Mark Flynn called the meeting to order at 11:02. The minutes were approved without revision.

GALILEO Executive Director Lucy Harrison provided some background on a proposal to combine the current GIL Functional Teams and Alma Implementation Functional Teams into a single structure, post-Alma implementation. The recommendation was to combine teams as indicated below:

GIL Functional Team	Alma Imp Team	Recommendation
Acquisitions / Serials	Acquisitions/Serials/ERM	Merge
Cataloging	Cataloging and Metadata	Merge
Circulation	Fulfillment (Circ, ILL, UB+)	Keep external ILL separate, Merge Circ and UB+ with GIL Express
GIL Express		
Inter-Library Loan		Keep separate
Special Collections		Retain
OPAC/Discovery	Same team as GIL	Already in place
	Assessment (Reports, BI, Analytics)	Retain

RACL Executive Committee approved the proposal, with the exception that they would also like to combine ILL with the other fulfillment teams (Circ and GIL Express). They asked that the members of previous GIL and Alma teams meet at GUGM in June to review previous GIL Functional Team charges and recommend changes as necessary; to determine new members; and to recommend a chair to RACL. If the ILL and Circ/GIL Express teams still feel ILL should be kept separate, they should provide an explanation to RACL as to why they feel that is necessary. RACL Exec will then approve those recommendations and look at the overall governance structure.

Jason Battles and Toby Graham of UGA then provided an update on HathiTrust. We have been exploring this for a couple of years, and have discovered that in order to enjoy the benefits of HathiTrust, libraries must:

- Be a member of InCommon

- Implement Shibboleth-based authentication
- Pay to join HathiTrust

Currently, only 6 institutions meet that criteria (UGA, GSU, Georgia Tech, Augusta, Kennesaw, and North Georgia). One of those institutions, Georgia Tech, is already a HathiTrust member. Even though the remaining USG institutions are not yet able to take advantage of HathiTrust, there is still benefit to joining as a system rather than individual libraries (pricing advantage, plus the ability to share holdings).

RACL Exec discussed the service, and expressed interest in joining as a group even though not all would use the service right away. If talking points can be provided, there may be an opportunity to gain support from other areas of campus. Toby Graham and Jason Battles will move forward with additional planning, and will bring pricing models back to the group.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00.