

**Resource Sharing
Notes / Minutes
March 2, 2009
SCRLC Office
1:00 – 2:30pm**

Present: Linda Beins; John Buckley; Catlin Finlay; Matthew Hogan; Ben Hogben; Karin Pitcher; Gregg Kiehl; Jane Rawoof; Jesslynn Shafer; Carol Simolo; Ann Voorhees (via OPAL)

Excused: Lorie Brown; Mary-Carol Lindbloom, Hilary Dorsch Wong

Introduction

The Committee members introduced themselves around the table. Matthew reviewed the status of the RS page on the new website. He asked for suggestions. He plans to revise some worksheets, seek different statistics from vendors and librarians that will help the Council plan, but not complicate staff work. There was a brief discussion about Committee membership: what other types of institutions might bring depth to the Committee. Suggestions included other special collections such as hospitals, corporate library or museums.

There was general agreement that the Committee would benefit from using various forms of computer-mediated communications due to reduced travel funds, staffing, and so forth. It might also encourage greater participation. Matthew will present alternatives for consideration.

Review of last year activities

Does the statement that is now on the Council's website reflect the present goals and objectives of the Committee? What additions and deletions to the description might we consider?

Action item: Matthew will review and make revisions based on today's discussion. The Committee will review the new version.

Action item: Survey memberships to determine what staff needs are in the short run. What else might we want to know?

CampusShip vs LAND / IDS

Ben briefly described the results of last year's review of the differences between CampusShip and LAND. There followed a lively discussion. At this time, CampusShip appears an excellent service. Might a clear picture of the choices help us understand what alternatives, what options to support? How can we help

lending across cooperating systems that do not have a bridge? At this time, BARC is one way to realize this exchange. Jane and Karin described BARC to those unfamiliar with the service. Jane made an impassioned plea to give BARC more business.

A discussion had held about IDS. This service needs further research.

Action item: Matthew will work with Ben and Matthew to put together a comparison sheet of alternatives re shipping materials around the region. How might we promote BARC?

Action item: Matthew will investigate if alternative arrangements are possible that would make IDS affordable to non-SUNY libraries in the region. Contact will be made with St John Fisher to learn about the experiences of this private small college.

RSUG program planning: topics

Matthew apologized for getting a late start of planning this year's two public events. The sessions traditionally take place in May and November. Location options?

From Ben: Received via the ILLiad list serve:

- Making operational changes to overcome adversity
- An essential service : how ILL contributes to the library's mission
- Help needed. Maximizing student assistants during tough times
- Saving resources by greening ILL
- Reaching beyond borders: international ILL
- Managing change from a summit perspective

Other possible subjects were:

- Sustainability
- What is out there to help in scarce times / how to do more with less
- How RS workflow integrates with other library systems (reference, collection development, etc)
- RS in non-academic environments

Possibility of a round table format, a workshop, a lecture, etc?

Action item: Matthew will collect ideas from the committee via email then circulate to the group over the next two weeks. Select dates for events.

Issues or topics for consideration

ILLiad hosting: Ben asked the group what they thought about finding a local library willing to host ILLiad as a cost cutting measure. Gregg spoke about Sage College experience. They will explore this topic and report.

Nylink RapidILL Pod: Tabled for another time

BARC: Bottom line, we need to promote this valuable service.

Action item: Matthew will explore ways to increase use of BARC with the help of the committee.

Techpro: Tabled

Cost effective alternatives to RS: A general topic discussed through out the meeting. The discussion will continue.

Training: Lorie Brown suggested via email that training materials be created for people new to resource training in our region. Everyone thought this was an excellent idea. Ben suggested we use a wiki for this purpose.

Action item: With the publishing of the new SCRLC website, a wiki will be created for this purpose.

Funding & subsidies: The Council will continue to seek out and publicize all matters related to funding and subsidies.