

SUNYLA Council Meeting Minutes

Friday, September 23, 2011
Corey Union, SUNY Cortland
10:30am – 3:30pm

Attending: Pamela Flinton (Oneonta), Rosanne Humes (Nassau), April Davies (Cobleskill), Greg Bobish (Albany), Wendy West (Albany), Marianne Hebert (Potsdam), Sarah Morehouse (ESC), Dan Harms (Cortland), Barb Grimes (SUNYIT), Ellen McCabe (Cortland), Maureen Zajkowski (OLIS), Mark McBride (Buffalo State), Judy Campanella (Cayuga), Ken Fujiuchi (Buffalo State), Lisa Raposo (SUNY CPD), Fang Wan (Alfred-Ceramics), Angela Weiler (Onondaga); **Participating via Elluminate:** John Schumacher (OLIS), Mary Timmons (Monroe), Tracy Paradis (Geneseo), Anne Larrivee (Binghamton), Michael Bailou Huang (Stony Brook HSC), Antonia DiGregorio (Old Westbury), Kathleen Quinliven (Buffalo), Dunstan McNutt (Delhi), Karen Ferington (Niagara), Wenli Gao (Morrisville), Christine Butler (Nassau), Azadeh Mirzadeh (Farmingdale), Darryl Coleman (Fredonia), Katherine Brent (Cobleskill), Louise Charbonneau (MVCC), Heather Whalen Smith (New Paltz), Kathryn Johns-Masten (Oswego), Dana Longley (ESC), Kimmy Szeto (Maritime), Jane Verostek (ESF), Joyce Miller (Adirondack); **Recording Secretary:** Marianne Hebert.

Welcome back! I am looking at the draft minutes. Would it be possible to strike the last paragraph from the LACUNY Liaison section (3.3.2)? It's really unrelated information...I will post info in a different way in the future so CUNY and Faculty Senate info won't get mixed up.

10:30am – Continuing Education Discussion (SUNYCPD/OLIS, etc.)

12:00pm – Lunch

12:45pm – Business Meeting

1. Approval of Minutes from June 16, 2011
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4. Old Business (30 minutes)
 - 4.1. Copyright Statement from Publications Committee

- 4.2. Committee Bylaws from Professional Development Committee
 5. New Business (including action items from reports – 60 minutes)
 - 5.1. Confirm Appointments (LACUNY, SCC/SFC, Continuing Education)
 - 5.2. Appropriate money for Officer Travel
 - 5.3. Seed Money for Conference
 - 5.4. CIT & SUNYLA, possible merging of conferences in future
 - 5.5. Discussion of InfoLit Assessment
 - 5.6. WGIL – Seed money for 3T’s Conference
 - 5.7. Social Media
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Continuing Education Discussion (SUNYCPD/OLIS, etc.)

Maureen Zajkowski (OLIS) And Lisa Miles Raposo (SUNY/CPD) gave an update and handouts regarding a proposal to provide continuing education for SUNY librarians. They are working on designing various certificate programs and are having conversations with professional development communities (handout). Their concept is to design competency based certificate programs by working with stakeholders to identify needs and develop the programs. Content for certificate programs would come from staff, stakeholders, and other areas within SUNY. Format could be fully online, hybrid, linked to conferences.

The first certificate program being considered for the library community is “Emerging Library Services, Integration of Technology into Library Services.” The proposal is to have OLIS provide coordination. SCLD and SUNYLA will be responsible for support and content. CPD will deliver the content (does not mean CPD staff will teach all the courses; instructors will be pulled from various sources). Maureen and Lisa queried the Council to see if the proposal was reasonable and to solicit suggestions.

The target audience will be librarians and library staff. This doesn’t preclude other SUNY faculty staff from taking a course. It is acceptable to take a single course, and it is not required that participants take the entire suite.

Questions and suggestions were received from the floor and online attendees:

- Would the certificate program be helpful for promotion and tenure? Consensus was yes.
- B. Grimes suggest that many campuses are losing lines. We need to have ways to retool staff to upgrade skills and take on new roles, such as an emerging technologies librarian.
- A. Davies noted that librarians are working more closely with IT staff.
- Question: How would this program apply to non-teaching librarians?
Answer: It doesn’t preclude the development of other courses/programs for non-teaching librarians
- S. Hull (Empire state) - This would be for useful librarians managing technical services functions that involve patrons, such as POD, Document Delivery, and gathering data.
- D. Longley (Empire state) - Content could be applied to any librarian regardless of assignment
- M. McBride: Will any of these courses have an active learning component? An active learning program would help make people aware of types of classrooms available on campus, including physical and virtual spaces. Learning Spaces should be a segment of all learning/teaching courses/programs.
- K. Fujiuchi: Who will be teaching and designing these courses?
Answer: No preconceived notions. It could be any mix. Content and delivery will come from the stakeholders.
- Davies: How many courses/competencies within a sequence will be required to obtain a certificate?
Answer: 5-8.
- Other suggestions included:
 - Such a program should focus on critical analysis of tools, and how they may be best utilized to solve real problems.
 - The program should include a design for different certificates, e.g. Instructional Design Review one program for seasoned professionals, one for newbies. Maybe have a core group of courses required for everyone, then, if you have special interests in teaching, technical services, etc. you could take specific courses to fulfill the certificate you are seeking.
 - Maybe there should be a way to test out of the competencies if you were already up to speed.

- Maybe the program could assign technical buddies who can assist less savvy peers.

A. Davies: What would we like to see? Buffalo has also approached SUNYLA to see what types of programming members we would like. ACRL/NY also has been in touch regarding professional development collaboration.

- D. Harms: The content should focus on strategies of looking at technologies, rather than focusing on specific technologies.
- R. Humes: What prerequisites will be needed to be successful? An introductory refresher course would be useful for librarians who are not technically savvy.
- P. Flinton: Many librarians would need their technical skills to be brought up to speed. It would be a good way to sell the certificate program.
- Question: Is there an implementation plan?
Answer: Once we define competencies and content, then we can identify instructors, and if there are already course content developed (e.g. quality standards course). Full implementation will depend on who is developing the content. Right now the target dates are Fall 2011 for competencies, Fall 2012 for delivery of content.
- Question: Is there a committee or more formal group coordinating professional development initiatives?
Answer: Logan Rath is spearheading task force for SUNYLA. There are alternate professional development opportunities via ACRL and UB.
- At what point do we need to involve working librarians to have input? We will need to see the use for these technologies.
- A. Davies: A certificate or course series for Technical Services could include RDA implementation.
M. Zajkowski on RDA: Many technical services librarians experience conflicts with how much time is spent on cataloging versus other work. Discovery tools are dependent on metadata. Discovery is not just tool based. What do you expect to filter and search on? Can your data do what your tools can do? The certificate should develop a program to look at metadata beyond cataloging. Batch loads, repositories, etc.
Maybe make it marketable to non-catalogers to help them understand better. Metadata matters for just about everything.
- M. Hebert: Maybe understanding metadata should be part of all the core competencies, and cover how different products rely on same metadata (e.g. understanding discrepancies between IDS Search, ALEPH web, WorldCat and WorldCat Local).
- Metadata competencies should also include image tagging, and archives discovery tools.
- Question: How much is it going to cost?
Answer: UB courses have yet to be determined. SUNYLA has professional development grants available to members. Cost for certificate program? It will depend on course materials, instructor time and travel. Registration costs should cover the costs of running the programs. CPD points can be used to pay for CPD courses, FACT2 representatives on each campus have access to the CPD points.
- D. Longley: We need to coordinate efforts between CPD, ACRL and UB so that we don't duplicate and so we cover the widest range of topics.
- M. McBride: We need practitioners to be the instructors. Not all Library Science professors have hands on experience.
Hopefully stuff developed specifically for practicing librarians will be more directly applicable, hands-on, etc.
- Question: What do we consider are the emerging technologies, beyond social networking tools.
P. Flinton: The current title of the proposed competencies course is "Emerging Library Services," not just emerging technologies. Doesn't have to be technology focused. We should downplay the technologies a bit for marketing purposes.
- New service models, new ways of doing things.
- K. Szeto: A Systems Librarianship competency could include content management systems.
- K. Fujiuchi: Also customer relations management systems, vendor management systems, outside library software such as GetSatisfaction.
- M. Hebert: Petting zoos. A gadget gathering, where everyone brings their latest favorite tech toys (Kindles, iPads, etc.) so everyone can try.
- M. McBride: Get more involvement from the K-12 communities. They always seem to be a step ahead of us in tech implementation in the classroom.
We'll be getting those students in a couple years.

Business Meeting

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 16, 2011

Draft minute were distributed to the Council via the SUNYLAC list. A. Davies has received a few corrections. B. Grimes moved to approve the minutes. D. Harms 2nd. The motion was approved unanimously.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, APPOINTMENTS

OCC (A. Weiler) – Frank Doble has announced his retirement.

Cortland (E. McCabe) – Cortland has launched an ALA exhibit on Maurice Sendak.

OLIS (J. Schumacher) – Carey Hatch announced in an email that SUNY Provost Lavallee will be continuing in the position, had previously said he'd stop in June.

Oswego (Kathryn Johns-Masten) – The director search has failed, will reopen in spring. Barbara Schaffer is continuing in her role as Interim Director.

Oneonta (P. Flinton) – Director search re-opening. A new search committee has been formed.

SUNY ESF (Jane Verostek) – SUNY ESF has a vacancy.

Introduction of New Delegates – The Council welcomed new delegates: Fang Wan from Alfred Ceramics, Judy Campanella from Cayuga Community College and Ann Larrivee from Binghamton University. Some of the new delegates had questions about the acronyms being tossed around. It was noted the Acronym list on the SUNYLA webpage needed to be updated. R. Humes requested that delegates send her new acronyms and any changes so she can make the changes.

3. REPORT RECAPS

3.1. Officers

3.1.1. President – April Davies

SUNYLA President's Report
September 23, 2011

Several things have occupied my attention since our June meeting:

- Working with N.J. Wolfe to secure FIT as the 2012 conference site. I'm glad we'll be downstate again and I think Manhattan will prove to be a great location.
- Working with SCLD. The SCLD Executive Board has had two conference calls since June. The main topics of discussion have been strategic plan implementation, the content fee proposal, and the future of NYSHEI now that ARIA has been killed. SCLD will be meeting October 5-6 in Utica and I imagine these items will be discussed in much greater detail then.
- Appointing people to various things. It feels like there were a lot of them but it was only four, some of which still need formal approval: Sarah Morehouse (2nd VP, already approved); Kimmy Szeto (LACUNY Liaison); Logan Rath and myself (SCC/SFC liaisons); Logan Rath (Continuing Ed ad hoc).
- Listening and talking. There are some interesting things happening in our libraries and in SUNY as a whole. Some good, some not so much. In particular, the "Campus Alliance Networks" initiative has people nervous and wondering what this will mean for their campuses and their libraries. Here at SUNY Cobleskill, so far, it means sharing a president with Delhi. For Cobleskill, for now, this is a good thing. That doesn't mean that the same arrangement is good for other schools. That has to be assessed at those schools. In my personal opinion, there are some problems, many of which stem from how this whole thing was handled by SUNY. For the libraries, again using Cobleskill as the example since that's where I am, we're trying to be proactive and make sure that any cooperative efforts come from us and not from administration. Which brings me to something that came up in conversation with a librarian from a different campus the other day... SUNYConnect is being used as an

example of the good that can come from cooperation, as well it should. However, the thing that has made SUNYConnect a success is that it came from us. It came from the libraries and our desire to provide the best possible service and resources to our users, and if we saved money in the process, great. SUNYConnect did not come from campus or SUNY administration saying that we need to cut costs and here's what you're going to do. If SUNY wants to hold us up as a shining example of cooperative effort leading to collective good, then they should actually follow our example. Make it easier for us to work together rather than mandating how we do so and you'll get a much better result.

So, what's coming up in the next few months? Here's what I know of so far:

- SCLD Fall Meeting Oct. 5-6 in Utica
- NYLA Conference Nov. 4 in Saratoga Springs (I'm only going for one day & I plan to carry my SUNYLA travel mug around with me all day!)
- Meet with you lovely people again Nov. 16 in Manhattan ☺
- NYSHEI Summit on Advocacy for Academic and Research Libraries Dec. 8 in Albany

ACTION ITEMS FOR THE MEETING:

- Confirm appointments
- Funding for officer travel (forgot to do this in June, oops)

Respectfully submitted,
April C. Davies

3.1.2. First Vice President – Rosanne Humes

SUNYLA 1st VP Report
Sept. 23, 2011

Delegates

I've been working with delegates – new and old.

- Making sure their listing is correct on the SUNYLA website & the SUNYLA Council List
- Guiding them through the delegates page and the tool kit
- Providing the information on accessing the delegate webpage

I will also be working with other members to see that delegates are quickly and seamlessly added to all of the appropriate SUNYLA lists.

SCLD Meeting

I will be attending the SCLD meeting with April Davies on October 4 & 5 in Utica.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rosanne Humes

[R. Humes said she has been working with delegates to get them signed up on the forums. She will follow up with making sure that all delegates are dues paying members.](#)

3.1.3. Second Vice President – Sarah Morehouse

2nd VP Report

We are asking for \$5000 in seed money for the upcoming SUNYLA conference.

SUNYLA 2012 is going to take place at the Fashion Institute of Technology, June 6-8. (The earlier date gives us better options for facilities use, because FIT runs a shortened week later in the summer.)

I've been working with NJ Wolfe at FIT, and we have found and reserved spaces for the conference itself. We can't reserve particular classrooms yet, but we will as soon as we are able. As for housing, the Kaufman residence hall is air conditioned and has many other amenities. NJ is working to negotiate a lower price with FIT's housing people. Right now, the price is set at \$81 per night per person, for a double.

People who want to help with local arrangements should contact NJ (nj_wolfe@fitnyc.edu). People who want to help with any other aspect of the conference should contact me (sarah.morehouse@esc.edu). Right now I'm just compiling a list of names, but we will have things to do very soon.

I've created a conference blog/web site at <http://sunyla2012.wordpress.com>, and a number of people have posting access. It will start to become active shortly.

S. Morehouse reported on the annual conference planning, which is schedule to take place June 6-8, 2012 at FIT. The conference blog is up. She has been working on scheduling issues at FIT. The conference overlaps with the annual Book Expo. Morehouse reports that Manhattan is expensive and we are likely to see a higher registration fee. She has been working with N.J. Wolfe on housing. FIT has new dorms with air conditioning, a cyber-lounge and a gym. Rooms will cost \$81/night per head, shared (no singles). The conference committee is working on activities and outings and arrangements for banquets and poster sessions. FIT requires SUNYLA to have event insurance, will be about \$265/day. Volunteers who would like to assist with conference planning should contact Sarah.

It was questioned if vendors would be attending SUNYLA or the Book Expo, and whether we should try to coordinate our vendor session with the Book Expo. Consensus was vendors will probably have to pick one venue or the other.

M. McBride suggested we all talk to our vendors now, to get them to save the date, and ask them if they are planning to attend the conference (i.e. try to get them to attend).

A. Weiler reported she still has a spreadsheet of ~ 80 vendors that could be used as a contact list. It was noted that Pat Maxwell should have a more recent one.

3.1.4. Secretary – Carleen Huxley

Carleen Huxley is on leave for the next month or so. She will hopefully be back in time for next meeting.

3.1.5. Treasurer – Greg Bobish

Treasurer's report

Hi all, attached is the September Treasurer's report. All is well, not much activity lately other than processing memberships as they trickle in and sending out a few professional development checks. Enjoy!

[Current balance is \$11,525.27. Full spreadsheet not included here for space reasons. It is available via SUNYLA Forums.]

3.2. Committees

3.2.1. Membership Development – Wendy West

Membership Development Committee Report
September 21, 2011

As of today, the directory shows approximately 120 paid memberships. We have 13 new members this year. The directory also shows that we have 41 delegates, half with unpaid memberships. I do not believe that we can depend on these numbers to accurately reflect the SUNYLA membership at this time. There are some discrepancies between the valid and paid dates in the directory for this year's paid memberships. I will be working with the treasurer to resolve those issues. Nor do I think it is a good idea to send out a reminder to members about unpaid memberships until we can accurately confirm membership dates. I will work on having these problems straightened and hopefully have some more useful numbers before our next council meeting.

This year, the committee will also be working on promotional materials that delegates can use to help encourage colleagues to join SUNYLA.

Submitted by
Wendy West
Membership Development Committee Chair

W. West reported there may be discrepancies in the membership numbers regarding differences between valid and paid dates. There are actually currently 107 paid members. She will email the SUNYLAC list with corrected numbers. West reported she is looking for copies of old SUNYLA brochures, so an updated brochure can be produced. Members are asked to check their files for old brochures, and forward any on to her. Delegates can look up members in membership directory. Valid date must be for 2012 (not 2011 – it's the fiscal year, rather than calendar year). A. Davies asked the committee to explore multi-year and life-time membership options.

Comment that membership year starting in summer is a problem for some. It's that way to match with the SUNY fiscal year. Wendy will send a reminder.

3.2.2. Professional Development – Darryl Coleman

Professional Development Grants Subcommittee Report

The Subcommittee started the 2011-2012 year with \$3000 in its budget. We have awarded two grants totaling \$1,000.00. There is a remaining balance of \$2000 in our account. The grant recipients, amounts, and activities funded are as follows.

* Stephan J. Macaluso (New Paltz) received a \$500 grant to attend the Harvard Leadership Institute for Academic Libraries (LIAL) in the summer of 2011.

* Curt Friehs (Old Westbury) was awarded \$500 to attend the 31st Annual Charleston Conference to co-present "Turn that Frown Upside Down: Management Strategies for Improving Library Employee Morale in Uncertain Times" in November 2011.

The Subcommittee is currently reviewing another grant application for \$500.

Our grant application is now also available in Word on the Professional Development Grant webpage. Previously, the application was only available in PDF.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Joanne Spadaro
SUNYLA Professional Development Grants Subcommittee Chair

[D. Coleman reported that Kathryn Johns-Masten \(Oswego\) is the new Chair of Dan Kissane Scholarship.](#)

3.2.3. Publications – Ellen McCabe

SUNYLA Publications Committee
Ellen McCabe, Chair

September 23, 2011

Members of the Publications Committee: Lori Annesi (Monroe), Jim Coan (Oneonta), Linda Gorman (Nassau), Gerry Leibowitz (Nassau), Jennifer Little (Brockport), Ellen McCabe (Cortland) (chair), Shannon Pritting (Oswego), Jennifer Smathers (Brockport).

The publications account should have about \$1101.88 in it. This is assuming that the monies approved at the June meeting have been received and deposited. (I was unable to confirm this before this report.)

A potential survey for canvassing all the campuses as to their use of the paper copies of the SUNYLA Newsletter was created but I don't believe it has been sent out as yet.

Dan Harms and I have worked on the text of a statement on publication in the SUNYLA Newsletter to reflect our policy on copyright. Since this was tabled at the last meeting, once again, I am including the text of the statement below:

"By submitting a document to the SUNYLA newsletter, you grant SUNYLA the non-exclusive right to edit, reproduce, publish, and archive the material from now into perpetuity in all formats. You retain all other intellectual

property rights to your material and are free to publish it elsewhere without explicit permission from this publication. If you send it to a publisher, please let them know that it was previously published in the SUNYLA newsletter.”

I submit this statement to the Council for approval.

Many thanks from the Publications Committee to Dan Harms for his work on this.

Issues of the SUNYLA newsletter are available at the SUNYLA website; the May issue is at:
http://www.sunyla.org/sunyla_docs/newsletters/2011may.pdf

Please continue to submit items for the next Newsletter. Submissions to the newsletter are being accepted via the SUNYLA Forums at <http://sunyla.org/forums> website and via E-mail. The October issue is being assembled now; the next issue due date is January 15, 2011. Please send items to Shannon Pritting pritting@oswego.edu or Jennifer Smathers jsmather@brockport.edu.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen McCabe (Chair)

E. McCabe reported she hasn't heard from committee members lately. No newsletter has been published since June. She is assuming that the \$1000 allocation was received and deposited in the account. The Publications Committee is considering changing the print newsletter options, such as just sending only one print copy to campuses. Print copies come so late compared to the availability of the online newsletter. A. Davies created a survey for the committee which they will be sending to the SUNYLA list asking whether members prefer the print vs. electronic copies of the newsletter, how it gets used. Delegates can print the pdf newsletter in color, while the printed newsletter is in black and white.

3.2.4. TUG – Ken Fujiuchi

TUG Report - Ken Fujiuchi

My idea is leaning away from a traditional conference model and instead using TUG as a SUNYLA group for collaborating on library technology projects. I am hoping for a group that is more social, relying on models like “barcamp” or “meetup” type events to have a constant networking opportunity, and to share ideas in Technology and Technical services in SUNY. From these collaborations, it may lead to presentations at SUNYLA, CIT, or other appropriate conferences. Once TUG develops more, we may revisit having a formal annual TUG conference in the future.

K Fujiuchi reported that most members don't realize that SUNYAUG, LiSUG and the SUNYLA IT committee have been merged into TUG. TUG needs to work on getting its membership up and running. Instead of having a formal conference, the committee is planning something like a BarCamp un-conference. LiSUG still has the old conference budget funds. A. Davies reported she still has the LiSUG account and will transfer that over to SUNYLA. Instead of having one big conference, TUG is planning to have local conferences and plans to host the speakers. They feel this will be more flexible, quicker and easier to plan. A suggested conference topic included new ways of using ALEPH, e.g. the new mobile web catalog. K. Fujiuchi wants to use TUG as an incubator for new ideas.

Angela mentioned there have been over 400 reads on the Council forums. Was noted that when forums are updated, it updates the SUNYLA Facebook page.

A. Davies reminded people to contact Ken if they're not getting Council emails.

M. McBride suggested a TUG track at the annual conference. D. Harms asked about funding availability. A. Davies: Figure out what you want to do and we'll figure out how to pay for it.

3.2.5. Web Development – Katherine Brent

Web Manager Report

Conference presentations which were submitted were posted to the website.

Updates continue as needed. Please continue sending me any errors/out of date information you find.

Katherine Brent

[K. Brent reported that the membership update/renew form is being grumpy. She will be fixing it in the very near future.](#)

3.2.6. WGIL – Dana Longley

WGIL Report

The tentative date for the next 3 T's Conference: Exploring New Frontiers in Teaching, Technology and Transliteracy, pending COCID and or other funding support, is set for March 16, 2012 at the University of Albany. Planning is still in the early stages, but once funding options have been ironed out, we will be making a call for more volunteers to help make this conference an even bigger success than last year.

Mark McBride, Dunstan McNutt and many others continue to drive the Information Literacy Task Force forward in their quest to gather and share IL assessment practices from around SUNY. Calls will soon be going out to query each SUNY library about their assessment practices and instruments. One eventual goal of this project is to build a shared repository of this data so that all SUNY schools can benefit from it.

Myself and Stephen Macaluso will be putting together a survey to assess the professional development needs and general makeup of WGIL members.

Thanks,

Dana Longley

[D. Longley reported the WGIL Committee will be meeting via Elluminate next month. If anyone is interested in joining in, they should contact Dana.](#)

3.2.7. Archives (ad hoc) – Dan Harms

[D. Harms encouraged delegates and members to remember to forward SUNYLA documents to the archives at Buffalo. It was noted that we need to formalize what and how we submit materials to the archives.](#)

3.2.8. InfoLit Assessment (ad hoc) – Mark McBride

Information Literacy Task Force

In the Spring of 2010 a task force was created by the SUNYLA Council to take a look at Information Literacy Assessment across our 64 campuses. The initial purpose of the task force was to attempt to collect the assessment instruments and tools used on all the campuses. Then president Angela Weiler asked me to chair the group and Dunstan McNutt for SUNY Delhi agreed to help me in constructing the vision and direction of the task force.

We decided to break the task force into four groups. The groups are as follows and forgive me if I have not mentioned everyone's name involved.

SUNY Information Management Competency Team:

Members: Dunstan McNutt, Alice Harrington Walker, Jim Nichols, Carleen Huxley

TEAM GOAL: To ensure SUNY standards and Middle States (MSA) are on the same page. Will look at the Guidelines for the Approval of State University General Education Requirement Course, Information Management competencies and make suggestions on changing the competencies. It would be useful to compare these to the Middle States standards for Information Literacy to address overlap, and to broaden our assessment efforts to meet both the SUNY-wide requirements and those of our accrediting body.

This team has completed their tasks and have compiled data showing the disparities between what Middle States requires and what SUNY is looking to in the Information Management competencies.

General Information Literacy Assessment Team:

Members Karen Shockey, Penny Bealle, Kathie Flynn, Michael Daly, Dana Longley, Michelle Toth

TEAM GOAL: Will look at each institution within SUNY and find out what they do to measure general information literacy skills. If they pay for an assessment, build their own, or use some other instrument for measurement. Also,

they will approach the institutions that build their own assessments and ask if they will be willing to share. Also, this team will detail how the assessments are administered.

This semester all SUNY libraries will be contacted and asked to share their experience with information literacy assessment. A representative from the task force will call and ask you a few questions about assessment on your campus and have a conversation about what your campus has used, is using and what they plan to use to assess students information literacy skills.

Disciplinary Specific Assessment Team:

Members: Rebecca Oling, Darcy Gervasio and Kimberly Detterbeck, Wenli Gao

TEAM GOAL: Will contact institutions (based on their response to the Gen Info Lit team's survey regarding discipline specific assessments) and ask if/how they build assessments geared towards specific disciplines or if they use some other assessment tool to measure student information literacy skills within a subject area. This team will also detail how the assessments are administered.

This team will reach out to the institutions that have discipline specific assessments for information literacy and see how they are administered, if they feel it has been successful and ask if the campus would be willing to share the tool

Development & Metadata Team:

Members: Logan Rath

TEAM GOAL: This team (of one right now) is responsible for collecting the assessments and making the instruments searchable via a repository that is accessible to everyone in SUNYLA.

The hope is that the task force will complete its goals by SUNYLA 2012 and present its conclusions at our annual conference. From there, we will start to construct the repository.

M. McBride reported that committee members Dunstan McNutt, Jim Nichols, etc. looked at Middle States IL requirements, and SUNY Information Management Competencies. They are discovering more differences than similarities. They are planning to do phone calls to individual campuses to do interviews about how information literacy assessments are done on each campus.

The committee is planning to build a repository of assessments. Campus who are similar, may want to consider using the same rubric. D. Harms requested that the repository be password protected so that students on campuses won't have access to the assessment tools. M. McBride said the SUNYLA website might be a good home for this. It's built on a solid content management system. (It was noted that this is a good reason to be a member in good standing, since the SUNYLA repository requires membership login). Also interested in topic specific assessments.

3.3. Liaisons

3.3.1. FACT2 – Mark McBride

FACT2 Report

Sorry for being late with my report:

1. FACT2 has made many updates to their website. You can check them out at <http://www.fact.suny.edu/>
2. CIT 2012 will be at Stony Brook. This year's theme is The Power of Connections. Dates to be announced.
3. The first round of proposals have come in from the Provost Incentive Grants. This year, with very short notice, there were 14 proposals. Applicants will be notified by September 29th.
4. A new task group has been added to the council, The Intellectual Property Task Group. They will join E-Publishing Task Group and the Learning Environments Task Group.

Sincerely,

Mark McBride

M. McBride reported that the proposed CPD certificate program will be discussed at the FACT2 meeting next Friday. CIT will be at Stony Brook this year. No dates yet, but probably at the end of May.

3.3.2. LACUNY – Kimmy Szeto

LACUNY liaison report

LACUNY held their first executive council meeting on September 16. I was working at the Faculty Senate in Albany on that day, but I will most likely attend their subsequent meetings. Now the news:

LACUNY is holding their winter membership meeting some time in December (no date or location yet).

The LACUNY International Relations Roundtable will meet on October 14 at 3pm (no location yet) with reports from Shanghai and from Costa Rica. Let me know if you want to see more information.

3.3.3. SCC/SFC (SAC) – Logan Rath

No report.

A. Davies explained how SCLD reconfigured SAC into SCC (SUNYConnect Coordinating Committee) and SFC (SUNYConnect Financial Committee), and how these groups are just getting started setting themselves up.

M. McBride: At the last SCLD meeting, was there still talk of the “one catalog” for SUNY idea?

Yes, it is still being discussed. SCLD is putting together various task forces to work on implementation plans for action ideas put forward for various aspects of the SCLD strategic plan (online at SCLD website and probably still on one of our Forums from a previous meeting). “One bib file” is part of one of the discussion about what will replace Aleph. They will hopefully be asking line level people who actually do the work to serve on these groups.

W. West: Are they talking about their commitment to Aleph? Because none of us is legally obligated to stay with Aleph.

If they have, it hasn’t been during the exec board meetings. Next SCLD meeting is in 2 weeks, maybe it will come up.

M. Hebert: Think they’re waiting for the next product to be developed. There’s no point in moving from Aleph to anything existing because they’re all so similar.

W. West: Some individual libraries might already be thinking of their potential exit plan from Aleph. Albany, for example, could go off on their own.

A. Weiler noted that every campus pays a fee to SUNYConnect, part of which pays for Aleph, and would still be obligated to pay it even if they didn’t use it. Might also impact a campus’s overall participation in SUNYConnect.

W. West: Just wondering if any of them are talking about the idea because if one of the university centers decided to opt out that would cause some ripples in the union catalog.

Lots of talk about going beyond the integrated system.

3.3.4. OLIS – John Schumacher

SUNY Office of Library and Information Services
Report to SUNYLA Executive Board/Council
John Schumacher (john.schumacher@suny.edu)
September 23, 2011

SUNYConnect LMS and Related Activities

- **Aleph Upgraded (version 20)** – upgrade has been completed; this project was a group effort involving OLIS, ITEC and campus-based librarians; all 56 campuses on the shared servers were provided with development/testing versions of the new software; this and production systems implemented with few if any problems; thanks to campus contacts and staff, ITEC and OLIS for their efforts;
- OLIS has announced/implemented a version of the Aleph catalog enhanced for **mobile** devices;
- Phase 3 of the **Reclamation Project** is starting (for the remaining sites on the shared servers);
- OLIS continues to load Springer and ebrary **MARC records**; instructions will be forthcoming so that sites may take over this monthly task.

Electronic Resources

- **EBSCO’s eBook Collection** (formerly NetLibrary) is now available via <http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?authtype=ip,uid&profile=ehost&defaultdb=nlebk>
- The 360Link “**SUNY Science Direct Titles**” list was updated in August (tracks 2253 titles). Please get in touch if you have questions and/or changes/additions regarding this knowledge base used for linking to the full-text of ScienceDirect articles.

- Contact OLIS if interested in renewal or subscription to **Annual Reviews** (<http://www.annualreviews.org/>); pricing for new subscriptions - http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/olisdocs/public/Electronic_Resources/Annual_Reviews_2012_Pricing.pdf
- Upcoming database trial - **eHRAF World Cultures**
- Database and other electronic resource **offers** (all links are to the OLIS Documents area) - Credo Reference - <http://tinyurl.com/3vm3tt9>
eLibrary - <http://tinyurl.com/44qlhh5>
Films on Demand - <http://tinyurl.com/3h6v5xw>
Oxford Bibliographies Online - <http://tinyurl.com/4562khq>
Rittenhouse (R2 Digital Library) - <http://tinyurl.com/3q5lmgw>
Wilson (image resources package) - <http://tinyurl.com/3eoubtf>
Wilson (retrospective resources) - <http://tinyurl.com/42hnmfb>

News (OLIS, SUNYConnect, and other)

- The SUNY Council of Library Directors has approved the new **SUNYConnect governance structure** (see <http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/sunyergy/49SCLD.htm> for more details); committee membership will be announced soon;
- The governor vetoed the **ARIA** legislation;
- New SUNYConnect logo <http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/sunyergy/50newlogo.htm>
- Look for an announcement later this month regarding the move of the OLIS/SUNYConnect web site to a Confluence (wiki) based system;
- **Open Access Week** 2011 is October 24-30.

SUNYConnect Information / Resources

- For additional information about SUNYConnect <http://www.SUNYConnect.suny.edu/>
<http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/sunyergy>
- OLIS' Footprints Service Request System <http://service.sunyconnect.suny.edu/footprints/help.html>
- OLIS Support Portal <http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/support/>
- SUNYConnect union catalog <http://search.sunyconnect.suny.edu/>
- OLIS Documents Area <http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/olisdocs/>
- The OLIS web log - <http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/blog/>

3.3.5. UUP – John Schumacher

UUP Liaison Report
John Schumacher (jeschumacher@gmail.com)
SUNYLA Executive Board/Council
September 23, 2011

United University Professions (UUP) is the union representing more than 35,000 academic and professional faculty on 29 State University of New York campuses, plus System Administration and Empire State College. UUP is affiliated with the New York State United Teachers, the American Federation of Teachers, the National Education Association and the AFL-CIO.

Contract Negotiations

- See <http://uupinfo.org/negotiations/index.html> for information and updates;
- UUP and NYS negotiating proposal information is available at <http://www.uupinfo.org/negotiations/UUPStateProposals091211.pdf>
- Vis-à-vis the state's proposed new article – “Deficit Reduction Leave” aka employee furloughs;
- All provisions of the 2007-2011 NYS-UUP Agreement (other than those with specific dates) remain in effect.

Contract

- The current agreement includes one more round of discretionary salary increases.

Annual Report

- The 2011 UUP Annual Report to the Membership is available at <http://www.uupinfo.org/reports/AnnualReport2011final.pdf>

Technology Issues Survey on Distance Learning

- “United University Professions is committed to determining the effects of distance and online education on our members and their workload”; Please take the survey at <http://uupinfo.org/cgi-bin/rws5.pl?FORM=TICsurvey>

Additional Information, etc

- For information about the NYSUNY2020 legislation, see the Annual Report link (above) and <http://www.sbstatesman.com/tuition-hikes-monitored-f%C2%AEom-suny-2020786>
- “Statement from UUP President Phillip H. Smith on Campus Alliance Networks”
<http://www.uupinfo.org/communications/release11/110804.html>
- “SUNY Canton holds picket against merger, replacing Kennedy”
<http://www.watertowndailytimes.com/article/20110901/NEWS05/709019843>
- John Marino (formerly VP for Professionals) is now Associate Director of Field Services for UUP;
- J. Philippe Abraham has been appointed as Acting Vice President for Professionals; there will be an election for the remainder of the VP’s term at the 2011 Fall Delegate Assembly;
- UUP Fall Delegate Assembly (in Albany September 23-24, 2011);
- Good photo! Dave (Ritchie of Cortland) <http://uupinfo.org/communications/uupdate/110906.html>

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4. OLD BUSINESS

4.1. Copyright Statement from Publications Committee

After brief discussion, A. Davies called for a vote. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2. Committee Bylaws from Professional Development Committee

The suggested bylaws change was tabled until next meeting.

5. NEW BUSINESS (INCLUDING ACTION ITEMS FROM REPORTS)

5.1. Confirm Appointments (LACUNY, SCC, Continuing Education)

LACUNY – Kimmy Szeto

SCC/SFC – Logan Rath and April Davies

Continuing Education Ad Hoc Committee – Logan Rath

A. Davies called for a vote for each of the appointments. The appointments were approved unanimously.

5.2. Appropriate money for Officer Travel

A. Davies requested that \$1000 be appropriated to support Officer travel to SCLD, Council meetings, NYSHEI Summits, etc. Davies moved to appropriate \$1000 for officer travel. The motion was approved unanimously.

5.3. Seed Money for Conference

A. Davies asked for a vote on the request from the 2nd Vice Chair for \$5000 for the SUNYLA annual conference. The motion was approved unanimously. It was suggested that a supplemental request could be submitted if need be.

5.4. CIT & SUNYLA, possible merging of conferences in future

M. McBride reported on recent FACT2 Council discussion regarding merging of the CIT and SUNYLA conferences. Merging of dates would make it easier to plan and attend both conferences. Conferences could run side by side. McBride reported that CIT was very excited about the idea. It was noted that a merging of the two conferences would limit the number of campuses that could host it. Last year CIT had 200 attendees, but attendance could run up to 250. McBride noted that a merger could save a lot of money, especially on keynote speakers. He suggested that SUNYLA could run Mon-Wed, and CIT could run Wed-Fri.

Some of the issues raised and discussed included:

- How much of the content would we want to merge? Would it be one conference with a librarian mega-track?
- It was noted that presenters get published in the CIT conference proceedings.
- Concern was expressed that participants could be out of work/off campus for an entire week. It would be harder to provide coverage back on campus.
- CIT also had virtual conference last June. Virtual sessions could make it easier for campus bound attendees to attend.
- There was some concern that CIT sessions are pure Greek to librarians (and vice-versa), and wouldn't be useful. It was noted that some librarians have presented at both conferences.
- It was suggested a common theme such as "Information Commons" could make it work, especially if we focused on what IT departments and libraries have in common.
- Perhaps we could look at past submissions to locate overlap in content, themes and other commonalities. Also attendance overlap.
- Another suggestion was to have collaborative presentations with presenters from both IT and libraries.
- Consensus that we could cooperate, and be open to the idea of a joint conference.
- Both organizations would still need to maintain their identity.
- In the meantime, both organizations should reach out more to each other. Get them to ours, get us to theirs.

5.5. Discussion of InfoLit Assessment

Already done earlier.

5.6. WGIL – Seed money for 3T's Conference

Mark McBride requested that an allocation for \$2500 seed money be approved for WGIL's 3Ts (Teaching, Technology and Transliteracy) Conference. They had to turn people away last year. SUNYLA will be reimbursed. Thinking that conference costs would be \$35 for SUNYLA members, \$50 for non-members. The conference is scheduled for March 16th, 2012 at SUNY Albany. WGIL is asking for an appropriation, not a check at this time. The motion was approved unanimously. WGIL also applied for Innovation Grant (formerly COCID) money but not sure if they'll get it.

5.7. Social Media

April queried the group as to who are the administrators of our Facebook page. Have to post as SUNYLA to have it push to people who Like us and to Twitter. It was noted that Bill Drew and Dan Harms are the current administrators. It was questioned whether SUNYLA needed a subcommittee for social media or whether it could become the duty of TUG? Dan added Ken Fujiuchi as an administrator. Suggested adding Katherine since she's webmaster. And/or reaching out to newer delegates. Alvin Dantes at Oneonta was suggested.

The next Meeting will be at FIT on Nov. 16th

Meeting adjourned at 3:01pm