Approved Minutes  
GALILEO Steering Committee  
Henry County Public Library  
Friday, May 17, 2013  
10:00 AM – 11:15 AM  

Attendees: Laura Burtle for Nan Seamans, David Evans, Lauren Fancher, Lynn Futch, Alan Harkness, Debbie Holmes, LaVerne McLaughlin, Nan McMurray for Bill Potter, Merryll Penson, Glen Phillips, Robert Quarles, Elijah Scott  

1) Welcome and Introductions (McLaughlin)  
Nan McMurray was introduced to the group.  

2) Approval of Minutes of January 11, 2013 (McLaughlin)  
Minutes were approved as submitted.  

3) Report of the Executive Director (Penson)  
   a. Budget/FY14 Databases: No cancellations are expected for FY14. All groups are on board with paying for Discovery. The DOE will be able to continue with their package.  
   b. Activities Report: distributed to the group.  
   c. Harvard Business Review: EBSCO has announced that about 500 articles in the Review will not provide persistent links for use in electronic course packs and reserves. Next year it could be the same 500 or a different 500.  
   d. ICOLC: Penson attended the Spring ICOLC meeting. The Orbis Cascade people talked about their experiences related to next gen library systems. The Kuali group presented on the open source ILS software they’re developing. The University of Chicago is going live next year. One question is how to market the system. A number of topics addressed textbooks and open access textbooks.  
   e. Full Cost: ITS has been working through this process of identifying all costs associated with delivering services.  
   f. Affordable Learning Solutions: GALILEO has been asked to facilitate adoption of the Affordable Learning Solutions model from the California State University system that provides a single point of access for free and open educational resources, and for USG will also include resources in USG libraries. Penson participated in a meeting with the Lumina Foundation, which is committed to enrolling and graduating more students
from college. The meeting featured efforts in Indiana to implement lower cost textbook solutions.

4) ProQuest’s Statistical Abstract of the U.S. (Penson)
Penson had asked the Committee to consider the option to switch from Archives Finder to Statistical Abstract of the U.S. GALILEO has participated in Archives Finder from its beginning; earlier reviews have resulted in keeping it. Due to the increase in online digital archives and similar resources, Archives Finder has less value and has little use by users. The Government has stopped producing the Statistical Abstract; ProQuest has picked it up and is making it available at a cost that is similar to Archives Finder – there would be no increase to the communities. The group agreed to make the switch from Archives Finder to Statistical Abstract.

5) Discover GALILEO Update
All of the University System catalogs have been loaded into EDS and are now live in production for searching via GALILEO. Planning and communications are underway for additional milestones that are planned for the rest of FY13 and the first part of FY14. The May status report is available here:
http://help.galileo.usg.edu/docs/GALILEO_Discovery_Update_May_2013.doc

6) New Georgia Encyclopedia Update
Development of the new platform and site is progressing. Beta testing will take place soon. A teacher’s workshop for use of NGE with the Common Core is planned for June at West Georgia.

7) Reports of the User Communities
   a) AMPALS
      No report.
   b) GPALS (Phillips)
      GPALS had their Spring meeting in early May. With Beth Hammond’s assistance, GPALS and AMPALS are in the very early stages of exploring the possibility of merging the organizations.
   c) TCSG (Futch)
      TCSG had their library council meeting in early May. They had a moment of silence to honor the memory of Mary McClung, the chair of the TCSG and GALILEO Steering Committee representative, who passed away in March. They have been working on scheduling their catalogs for inclusion in Discovery. They agreed to the change to ProQuest Statistical Abstracts.
   d) DOE
No report.

e) **GISA (Pylant via Email Update)**

[GISA has seen some turnover in schools subscribing for the 2013-14 year, however we have maintained our institutional count with about a 1.5% drop in student count. Usage continues to be strong, especially at the high school level. August Prep was delighted to be able to participate with GALILEO in some beta-testing on the elementary interface, and looks forward to using it when it becomes available.]

f) **GPLS (Harkness)**

Most public libraries are on state health and the benefit costs are increasing, with an increase that must be absorbed by the local libraries. The directors met recently. Lee Rainey from Pew Internet and American Life spoke to the group. GPLS is working with GALILEO to get some retractable banners made featuring PINES and GALILEO programs. They had a vendor showcase for ebooks recently, in which they presented consortial options for public libraries for ebooks and music. The current purchasing arrangement provides OverDrive. Elaine Hardy is now the contact person for GOLD and OCLC. Training is set for July and August.

g) **USG (McLaughlin)**

The GIL Users Group Meeting (GUGM) was held in Macon on May 16. The Chancellor spoke about the challenges and opportunities facing the University System Institutions, including efforts to increase college completion and lower costs of education using open educational resources and textbooks.

8) **Other**

Ed Johnson, Director of the Georgia HomePLACE project, will be retiring June 30, 2013. He has facilitated the inclusion of many digital collections in the Digital Library of Georgia over the years, ensuring not only successful collaborations with public libraries, but also contributing original contextual scholarship, text, and online exhibits that help make the materials come alive. The Steering Committee passed a resolution recognizing and appreciating the Johnson’s ten plus years of service, wishing him well in his future chapter. A printed copy of the resolution will be presented to him.

GPLS is participating in the USG contract for SkillPort and Lynda.Com to provide online training options to library staff. All library staff in all Georgia libraries will be able to have access to these resources.

9) **Next Meeting Dates (McLaughlin)**
August 23 (McDonough), October 25 (Macon), January 24 (Macon), March 28 (Wimba), June 6 (McDonough)

10) **Adjourned**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.