

**GALILEO Steering Committee
Columbus State University Rankin Center
Thursday, March 25, 2004
10:00 AM - 11:50 AM**

Attendees:

Judy Atwood, Charles Beard, Pat Borck, Carol Bray, Selden Deemer, Lauren Fancher, Bob Glass, Ravonne Green, Debbie Holmes, Charlene Hurt, Kay Lowry, Callie McGinnis, Stephanie Middleton, Rich Meyer, Bill Nelson, Merryll Penson, Bill Potter, Gail Roberts, Judy Serritella, and Toni Zimmerman.

1. Minutes of January 30, 2004 Meeting (McGinnis)

The minutes were approved with corrections.

2. Report of Chair (McGinnis)

McGinnis welcomed Stephanie Middleton, one of three new GOLD representatives, including Susan Lay and Judith Golden.

3. Budget Update (Penson)

Penson discussed preliminary database pricing for the coming fiscal year including EBSCO (increase), ProQuest (will increase due to smaller group participating), OCLC's base package (not known yet), EBO (no increase), LexisNexis (increase), Grove's (increase), and BIP (increase). Pricing is still subject to change. Decreased/increased levels of participation in one product may result in increased/decreased pricing for other products from the same vendor. Pricing is not finalized.

4. Electronic Collection Development Committee (Potter)

The budget situation has not yet been clarified. Cuts will almost certainly be necessary. The group affirmed that last year's plan to make cuts in the EBSCO and ProQuest offerings should be valid this year as well. Discussion ensued regarding various options for review and possible elimination. Penson will request trial access to Books In Review. While LSTA funding was not thought to be available for supporting the enhanced content in EBSCO for FY05, there is some possibility that this could change. K-12 funding has been added for an encyclopedia and SIRS Researcher. The enrollment increase in the Tech Schools could result in reductions in resources through GALILEO.

5. GALILEO Activities Report (Penson)

a. Promotional Materials

EBSCO is working on promotional materials for use in Public Libraries. GALE is also working on promotional materials for Ancestry Plus and Public Libraries.

b. Training

GALILEO is working with vendors to do face-to-face training sessions around the state and hoping to have either GALILEO or local library staff available to answer questions. Sessions are scheduled for LexisNexis Academic on March 31 in Atlanta and April 1 in Macon. EBSCOhost training sessions are being scheduled from mid-April through the end of July at locations across the state. The first four sessions are scheduled for the Gainesville, Athens, Macon, and Warner Robins areas. Cambridge Scientific Abstracts, Current Contents Connect, and Encyclopædia Britannica classes are also being planned. Registrants for web-based trainings are not attending.

c. DLG Update

The DLG is making progress. The results of the survey of public libraries by Georgia HomePLACE are now available. The NGE was launched in February with lots of press and attention. Statistics show that GALILEO directs a lot of their traffic to the site, as well as Google. GALILEO hopes to work with the DLG and NGE to create curriculum guides for K-12. They are beginning work on a new collection about the Dahlonega Gold Rush, in which local materials provided by Chestatee Regional Library will be digitized. Another new project is to digitize the Sanborn Maps. The Georgia State Department of Natural Resources has been very interested in the Georgia Aerial Photographs database. The Vanishing Georgia database has also received a lot of attention, with a huge increase in interest in use of the photos. As a part of the LSTA-funded Georgia HomePLACE initiative, the DLG has partnered with Auburn Avenue Research Library (AARL) to digitize, build a searchable database, and provide online access for AARL finding aids. These finding aids are detailed inventories that describe AARL's rich archival holdings on African-American history and culture. Also as part of the HomePLACE initiative in partnership with AARL, the DLG will digitize the photographs of Jim Alexander that document the cultural activities of the Neighborhood Arts Center (NAC). The NAC promoted African-American performing and visual arts in Atlanta during the 1970s and early 1980s. DLG director Toby Graham is also reviewing other grant opportunities.

6. Reports from Communities

a. AMPALS (Green)

No report.

b. GPALS (Glass)

GPALS is working to change their bylaws and constitution in order to change the qualifications for membership, such that voting members must be from degree-granting institutions, with a physical instructional location in Georgia, a designated library facility with a librarian with nationally-recognized or USG-recognized credentials, and accreditation from one of the big four accrediting bodies.

c. DTAE (Roberts)

The Technical Colleges are interested in getting EBO back as a group and may pitch in so all can get it. Some are getting CINAHL and GALE Literature Resource Center.

d. DOE (Serritella)

House Bill 1190 removes the media expenditure controls that ensure that media centers receive the total amount of per FTE funding that is allocated to each system for media. Many are concerned about the impact the bill would have on the quality of the media centers.

e. PLS (Zimmerman)

There are three new GOLD representatives to the GALILEO Steering Committee. They will change annually on the Steering Committee. The planning of the Annual GOLD/GALILEO User's Group Meeting is underway. It is tentatively planned for August 20 at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education in Athens. The GOLD reimbursement mailing went out in February. ILL is up among GOLD libraries. Union Listing and ILL training was and will be offered in February and May. GOLD compliance efforts will continue. OCLC will be integrating ILL functions into WorldCat via a staff view during 2005.

f. USG (McGinnis)

A RACL/Instructional Technology for Library Buildings Guidelines committee has been established, headed by Bede Mitchell. Debbie Holmes and Rich Meyer attended the ICOLC meeting in New Orleans.

7. Other

The next meeting will be May 28th at the Henry County Public Library from 10am - 12pm.

8. Adjourn.