Attendees:

Pat Borck, Laura Burtle (for Charlene Hurt), Ray Calvert, Kim Eccles, Lauren Fancher, Carolyn Fuller, Sue Lay, Callie McGinnis, Stephanie Middleton, Bill Nelson, Merryl Penson, Martha Reynolds (for Bob Glass), Judy Serritella, Dan Veatch (for Anne Salter), and Toni Zimmerman.

1. Minutes of August 13, 2004 Meeting (Calvert for Meyer)
   The minutes were approved as corrected.

2. Report of Chair (Calvert for Meyer)
   No report.

3. Report from the Executive Director of Library Services (Penson)
   a. OIIIT Office Relocation
      The GALILEO staff housed at the Board of Regents Office of Information and Instructional Technology in Athens is now officially in the new office. After much planning and packing, the move was completed over the weekend of September 24-26. The GALILEO staff is holding an open house for GALILEO libraries at their new facility in Athens on the afternoon of October 15th, prior to the opening of the COMO conference. Refreshments, door prizes, and tours of the facility will be available from 1 to 4 pm. For more information or to register, please contact Deborah Shackelford <deborah.shackelford@usg.edu>.

   b. GALILEO has been working on projects, including the revision of About GALILEO/Help, and the DLG site redesign. (A prototype was distributed.) The project includes enhanced searching, linking to digital collections content at different Georgia libraries, and the adoption of the topical organization based on the New Georgia Encyclopedia. The process has been shaped by feedback from a focus group that will be asked to review the beta site. Now in demo: "Thar’s Gold in Them Thar Hills": Gold and Gold Mining in Georgia, 1830s-1940s. Coming: Georgia Sanborn Maps, Auburn Avenue Research Library Finding Aids, and the Auburn Avenue Jim Alexander Collection

   c. Georgia HomePlace was honored with an award from the Georgia Historical Records Advisory Board (GHRAB) at a ceremony at the Georgia Archives. The award for the contributions of Georgia HomePlace to providing access to Georgia’s records was presented by
Secretary of State Cathy Cox and GHRAB Chair Lee Kinnamon of Sumter County High School.

d. Internet Resources
There have been only a few comments from people regarding the plans to stop maintenance and provision of GALILEO’s Internet Resources collection with the availability of SKS WebSelect. Suggestions for alternative solutions have included volunteerism from the libraries, which had been part of the original effort but was not found to be forthcoming on an ongoing basis. Judy Serritella indicated that GLC is interested in hosting the site, but their staff has also been greatly reduced. They should review the site and determine to what extent there is unique content there prior to pursuing this course of action, as SIRS has indicated a willingness to add content to the SKS WebSelect product that GALILEO requests.

e. GALILEO Password Log-In Changes
As a result of requests from users and review by librarians and GALILEO staff, users now see minor changes to the log-in entry on the GALILEO homepage and password log-in screens, including the opportunity to view a welcome page that provides more information about GALILEO access. The log-in screen itself has been modified to make it easier for users to find out how to get their passwords.

f. Conferences
GALILEO staff are planning presentations and exhibits for upcoming conferences, including the University System Computing Conference at Rock Eagle in October, the COMO conference in October, the Technology Leadership Conference in October, the Georgia Council on Social Studies Conference in October, and the Georgia Educational Technology (GA ETC) Conference in November. (A schedule was distributed).

g. Budget for FY06
The University System and the Technical Colleges are both struggling to cover the unexpected cut in FY05 resulting from the FY04 June payroll rollover. This cut will also become a permanent cut to the FY06 base budget. There is a lot of discussion regarding how these cuts can be addressed. If the enrollment continues to increase and the budget stays the same or declines there could be real problem. The impact on GALILEO and GIL for this year and next year are not clear yet. Cuts this year would be more likely to affect GIL. The group discussed how these cuts are affecting their campuses, student reaction, and the political context.

4. GALILEO Committees (Penson and Calvert)
a. Reference Committee: People are supposed to give Rich Meyer names for the chairperson. The group discussed possibilities. At the last meeting it had been suggested that the chair be drawn from the existing committee. Barbara Robertson, Bruce Henson, Sylvia Bunn, and Alice McCanless were cited as possibilities. A motion was made and approved to forward these names to Rich Meyer.

b. Electronic Collection Development Committee: no report.

c. Penson asked that the Reference Committee and the Collection Development Committee evaluate the value of CollegeSource Online. This resource is provided to all of GALILEO by the USG and GPALS. [The Georgia Student Finance Commission is working on a prospective student portal that will provide career information and comparison capabilities for USG and DTAE, looking at employment trends and programs. Kris Biesinger is on leave to the GSFC to work on this project, modeled on the North Carolina portal (www.cfnc.org). Long term plans include transcript integration.] A motion was made and approved to forward this request to the committees.

5. Reports from Communities

a. AMPALS (Veatch for Salter)
AMPALS is in discussion with GPALS on how to increase cooperation.

b. GPALS (Reynolds for Glass)
No report.

c. DOE (Serritella)
They are working with GALILEO to arrange training through the ETTC’s for media specialists. There is a new look for the Georgia Learning Connections that includes links to GALILEO and the New Georgia Encyclopedia.

d. GPLS (Zimmerman)

- The presentations from the GOLD/GALILEO Users Group meeting in August are now posted at http://www.usg.edu/conferences/gold/2004. The final attendance was 227. Things went very well. About 180 print and online evaluation responses were received. The Advisory Committee is hoping to meet at COMO.

- ILL statistics should be available by mid-October in order to determine reimbursements. Previous statistics will be posted to the GPLS website soon.
• GPLS is in the early stages of the OCLC Group Services project. The first two components began October 1: unlimited cataloging and unlimited resource sharing (ILL) for the public libraries rather than transactional. By November, public libraries will begin receiving transaction reports but billing will be handled by GPLS. The next phase will be the implementation of batch loading services. A schedule will be developed for how to load, update, or reload the holdings for all 58 public library systems. The implementation for the group catalog is just beginning, but the plans are to roll it out in February. The profiling process is the biggest issue. These efforts will also dovetail with the OCLC ILL changes.

• The theme for the vacation reading program for Summer 2005 has been decided: Funtastic Reading.

• The contract for delivery service for resource sharing among PINES has been awarded to Velocity. The service will begin in mid to late October. While the plans had been to include all public libraries, the no-bid limits of the state required an initial focus on the PINES libraries.

• Susan Cooley reported that the public libraries are getting lots of computers from the GATES foundation.

• A serials union listing workshop will be held at Columbus Technical College on October 8. Another session will be held at Berry in November.

6. DTAE (Middleton for Bunnell)
Only ten of the 34 technical colleges have been SACS accredited. The others are still bringing their libraries up to par, which is contributing to an increased awareness of the importance of GALILEO within the DTAE administration. Merryl Penson’s presentation to their Vice Presidents helped with this. The DTAE librarians saw the importance of having EBO, and collaborated on purchasing it for the whole group of libraries, even though not all could contribute.

7. USG (Calvert for Meyer)
   • GIL Express is online and in use. A press release is being circulated. It provides a streamlined way for USG libraries to share books through a portal that allows students and faculty to borrow them from any USG library and return them to any USG library. It took a long time to get it, but the long term benefits will be great.
   • The WebCT RACL Library Resource Integration Working Group has forwarded their final report to the RACL Library Directors for
discussion at their Fall meeting. An Executive Summary is being provided to stakeholders, including the GALILEO Steering Committee. Some of these discussions and activities may inform efforts that can be employed for other GALILEO communities with similar interests, particularly the DTAE’s Virtual Technical College.

8. **Next Meeting Dates**

   a. The next meeting is December 10th at Henry County Public Library. At that time the group will look at dates for the new year. Committee members should plan to bring their calendars.

   b. Dr. Felland from the Department of Corrections called Judy Serritella. He is looking for discarded materials for the prisons. They will pick them up. Judy will post his contact information to the list. They need high school reading level fiction and reference material.

   b. Carolyn Fuller announced the recent groundbreaking for the Locust Grove library building. They will also be getting a new library in Stockbridge. They are very excited.

9. **Adjourn.**