GALILEO Steering Committee
Henry County Public Library
Friday, June 17, 2005
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM


1. Welcome and Introductions

New members Gene Ruffin, Ed Barnes, Mary Jo Fayoyin, and Ginny Moreland were introduced.

2. Minutes of April 22, 2005 Meeting (Meyer)

The minutes were approved as submitted.

3. Budget and Databases for FY06 (Penson)

All communities will be able to renew the databases and maintain the same packages are FY05, with the exception of WorldCat for K-12, which will be cut. Changes to databases include the switch of AncestryPlus from GALE to ProQuest, a change of providers for Ancestry.com. ProQuest will allow the academic libraries access to the database without charge. The decision on Books in Print/Book Index with Reviews is still outstanding. The Steering Committee had previously decided to make the decision based on cost. Both vendors have offered incentives. The group decided to go with Book Index with Reviews and evaluate at the end of the year.

4. GALILEO Upgrade: Recommendation (Penson / Fancher)

A final recommendation for linking and metasearch products to constitute the GALILEO Upgrade was presented. Earlier GALILEO conducted a two-day session in which vendor demonstrations were provided for potential metasearch products. Attendees included representatives from all of the GALILEO communities who provided feedback afterwards via an online survey. Extensive follow-up investigations and discussions included feedback collected in online survey, demonstrations and customer site review, customer calls, technical calls, review and analysis of other virtual libraries, review and analysis of KB's, user interface and technical evaluations, and preliminary pricing and configuration comparisons. A recommendation for an implementation scenario was presented to the GALILEO Steering Committee on June 1, pending a decision at their June 17th meeting. The group discussed the proposal, asked questions, and reported discussions from their libraries. A motion was made to approve the recommendation for the GALILEO Upgrade, seconded, and accorded a unanimous vote.
5. **GALILEO Upgrade: Implementation Planning (Penson)**

The planning will include the establishment of feedback mechanisms and working groups. Initially, the reference committee would provide feedback, but each community would eventually have a working group to provide feedback. More information will be brought to the next meeting about the communication plan. Penson asked the group for feedback about the planning process. The suggestion was made that user education and PR is an important aspect of the process. Penson reported that due to end of year processes, the contract process would begin in mid-July.

6. **Report from the Executive Director (Penson)**

Tim Peacock will now be the GALILEO Technical Coordinator, replacing Brad Baxter, who will continue to be the lead programmer. Penson expressed appreciation for Baxter's wonderful job. The Steering Committee will make a resolution honoring Baxter's contribution in the role. Stephanie Middleton volunteered to draft the resolution. The DLG was mentioned in the AJC recently. Regent Poitevent will speak at the GALILEO birthday in September. Elsevier has offered a proposal for their SCOPUS product for the academic libraries. Their unique pricing offers increasing rates for non-committed continuation versus constant rates for committed continuation. They are offering web sessions to review the product in the end of June. It was suggested that the Collection Development Committee be asked to participate in the review. Bill Potter will follow up with them.

7. **Reports from Communities**

   a. **GPALS (Glass)**

   GPALS had no report.

   b. **AMPALS (Moreland)**

   Moreland reported that her time will be short as the new AMPALS representative, as she is leaving the state and will be replaced in the coming months.

   c. **DTAE (Middleton)**

   No report.

   d. **DOE (Serritella)**

   They are working on getting the funding for the upgrade. The Georgia Virtual School is providing some assistance. This initiative, currently providing online courses for high school, has become a new focus for the DOE. Serritella is working on a project called Georgia Reads, in which Georgia celebrities read books to children on video in different places. Jimmy Carter, John Smoltz, Travis Tritt, Mary Perdue, and Kathy Cox are among those who have participated. The videos are being shown over PeachStar and over GPB.
e. **GPLS (Zimmerman)**

The registration site for the August GOLD/GALILEO User’s group meeting (A Bona Fide Library Bonanza) is now available. Reimbursement checks are forthcoming. For the USG libraries, these checks will go to the business office on their campus.

f. **USG (Meyer)**

The GALILEO Knowledge Repository group now has four institutions (UGA, Georgia State, Georgia Tech, and Medical College of Georgia). Representatives of those institutions and others have been meeting to discuss approaches to managing and presenting collaborative access to local institutional repositories (IR’s). Collections of digitized materials that can include everything from institutional records to scholarly research to theses and dissertations, IR’s are becoming a way that academic institutions can provide stewardship as well as access to their intellectual work products. The group has discussed the Be Press and Dspace models for digital repositories, the range and criteria of materials that could be included, and the challenges that are involved. Along with sharing information about local policies and development efforts, the group is developing guidelines for metadata standards that would help ensure collective searchability in the future, not only among their local IR’s, but also potentially among other IR’s within the University System as well as in the greater GALILEO community.

8. **Acknowledgements (Meyer)**

Meyers recognized the departing members of the Steering Committee Bob Fox, Bill Nelson, Callie McGinnis, and Kay Lowry, thanking them for their service, and welcomed new members Bede Mitchell, Mary Jo Fayoyin, and Ginny Moreland, and new Chair Ray Calvert.

9. **Next Meeting Dates (Meyer)**

The FY06 meetings will be August 19th, October 21st, December 9th, February 10th, April 14th, and June 9th.

[In addition, please hold September 21, 2005 for the 10 year GALILEO Birthday Celebration. Place: Sloppy Floyd Building, Atlanta Time: TBD]

10. **Adjourn.**