

**Approved Minutes  
GALILEO Steering Committee  
Clayton State Library  
Friday, July 27, 2001  
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**Attendees:**

Brad Baxter, Charles Beard, Richard Brock, Lauren Fancher, Lance Foldes, Carolyn Fuller, Charlene Hurt, Judy Kelly, Callie McGinnis, Ginny Moreland, Merryll Penson, Tom Ploeg, Bill Potter, Phyllis Ruscella, Terry Seabright, Jennifer Watson, Lamar Veatch.

**1. Welcome/Introductions (Hurt)**

Charlene Hurt welcomed new members Terry Seabright from DTAE and Dr. Lamar Veatch, who will be starting as state library director, assistant vice chancellor of library development and services, and head of the Office of Public Library Services on October 16. The committee membership list was passed around for review and revision.

**2. Minutes of June 8, 2001 (McGinnis)**

The minutes were approved as distributed.

**3. Executive Director's Report (Penson)**

**A. Plans for FY2002**

GALILEO staff have been developing planning documents for FY2002. Planning points include the next phases of the DOOR project, development, support, life-cycle management of databases, training, marketing, communications, and assessment.

**B. K-12 Advisory Committee**

DOE Steering Committee representative Richard Brock has been requested to provide names for a K-12 Advisory Committee for GALILEO staff.

**C. Progress Report**

GALILEO staff are working with System Office staff to develop a GALILEO six-year progress report for stakeholders. The report will highlight the goals and accomplishments of the GALILEO initiative for 1995-2001, and will include facts and statistics about GALILEO resources, services, communities, and usage.

**D. Meeting with Senior Vice Chancellor Papp and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Butler**

GALILEO staff met with Frank Butler, the new Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and with Dan Papp, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Fiscal Affairs to discuss the GALILEO and GIL environments.

**E. Spanish Language Interface / Database Update**

A menu grouping of Spanish language databases / interfaced databases is in development. Resources will include Informé, a new database provided through LSTA funding for all communities, and the EBSCOhost Spanish interfaced

databases. The menu grouping and databases will be available for review in the demo system ([purl.galileo.usg.edu/demo](http://purl.galileo.usg.edu/demo)) in the last week of July.

ProQuest is still working on the database upgrades. Lexis-Nexis remote access is not yet available. EBO has already restricted site content to subscribers and GALILEO staff are working to get access established by early next week.

**F. About GALILEO**

The revision of About GALILEO is available for review at <http://www-test.rath.peachnet.edu/galileo/>. Please review and forward comments to Lauren Fancher by August 1.

**G. Proposal: GALILEO Decal**

A proposal was distributed to produce a GALILEO door decal for display at participating libraries which would be mailed with an accompanying letter from the Steering Committee requesting that it be displayed. A motion was made and passed to approve the proposal.

**H. Newsletter**

The "GALILEO Planet" will be produced four times a year in both PDF and html-text versions. Notification of new issues will be sent to the GALILEO list and the GALILEO Planet subscription list. The newsletter will be hosted in About GALILEO and linked to from the "NEWS!" link on the homepage.

**I. URL**

The Technical Advisory Subcommittee discussed the USG's ongoing migration away from the use of the ".peachnet.edu" domain, and is planning how GALILEO will make this transition. Currently, both "galileo.peachnet.edu" and "galileo.usg.edu" resolve correctly to the GALILEO homepage, and both versions will continue to do so. For the coming year, the transition is primarily one of information and communication so that changes to printed references can be coordinated. Additional information about notifications, communications, and the timing of any redirection will be forthcoming.

**J. Cost Sharing of Databases**

More information on cost-sharing of databases is forthcoming. A chart of price-quotes received to date for PsycINFO and PsycARTICLES was distributed.

**K. Ancestry.com (Ploeg)**

Tom Ploeg discussed a pending database for public libraries, "ancestry.com." The genealogy product was originally developed for the consumer market, and has recently partnered with GALE to create "Ancestry Plus" for the library and consortia market. Pricing from GALE has not yet been received.

**L. GOLD Holdings (Baxter)**

Brad Baxter explained the history of the GOLD database and the current status for loading it into GALILEO. He is having to rewrite how the data is loaded and there is still some programming to be done prior to loading the July update. He hopes to have it completed before the end of August.

**4. THE DOOR (Brad Baxter)**

Brad Baxter gave a demonstration of the DOOR, explaining how it replaces SiteSearch for the purposes of displaying database lists. The DOOR, or

“Database of Online Resources,” displays database lists in a new way, through the execution of searches against a database of database records (descriptions and other metadata). Previously, all menu entries were hardcoded, necessitating the involvement of programmers and limiting the flexibility of the environment. The ability to display resources as the result of the search of the database and to pre-define those searches through cgi scripts provides many opportunities for enhancing the GALILEO environment. Baxter demonstrated how this ability could be used to develop a resource-discovery tool as well as customized lists of user’s favorite databases. Other important changes include the fact that authentication now occurs at the home-page level, providing opportunities for exploring customization of the home page; the ability to blend locally-purchased databases into the GALILEO menu for individual institutions, currently being explored in a pilot project; and the ability to provide branding and authentication for direct links to databases and database menus. There was much discussion and many questions about these new processes and potentials.

The Steering Committee approved the following motions:

1)We commend the GALILEO staff for the development of the DOOR tools, and to urge the staff to continue its development with emphasis on a discovery tool and to consult with the reference committee on its implementation.

2)We recommend that the staff develop a process for metadata enrichment of DOOR records.

A discussion about changing the Steering Committee policy on direct linking to vendor databases was tabled for further investigation and discussion.

**5. GOLD / GALILEO Users Group (Watson)**

Registration is underway for the Annual Conference; the cost is only \$35.00.

**6. GALILEO Committee Reports**

**A. Collection Development Committee (Potter)**

Bill Potter will continue as chair.

**B. Assessment Committee (Group)**

The annual survey will continue as a benchmark. There is no current chair.

**C. Reference Committee (Group)**

The reference committee is currently reviewing the subject menuing structure. .

**D. GALILEO Committee Structure / Appointment of Ad Hoc Committee (Hurt)**

Bob Fox will chair a task force to review committees and representation, composed of the current committee chairs along with representatives from the consortia and GOLD. They are charged with making recommendations by the end of the November.

**7. Consortia Reports**

- **Technical Colleges (Seabright)**

Terry Seabright reported that the Technical College Library Council is meeting September 14<sup>th</sup>. Lexis-Nexis and Big Six will be delivering training sessions. The meeting will be held at Heart of Georgia Technical College in Dublin.

- **AMPALS (Moreland)**

Ginny Moreland reported that AMPALS received their invoices from ARCHE. They have crafted a letter to their presidents informing them, that this year's costs are due to the "unique and fortuitous" grant funding provided by LSTA, and is not predictive of their costs next year.

- **GPALS (Foldes)**

Lance Foldes reported that Brenau University has joined AMPALS but won't be part of their GALILEO pricing until next fiscal year. There was discussion about the pricing for PsycINFO and the need to make a decision soon for GPALS and UGA.

- **K-12 (Brock)**

Richard Brock reported that the K-12 network will be upgraded, increasing their bandwidth seven-fold. Clara Keith's former position is open; they are looking for someone with experience with K-12 and media. Their office plans to have an emphasis on media this year.

- **OPLS (Ploeg)**

Tom Ploeg reported that Dr. Lamar Veatch was offered and accepted the position of state librarian and will start in October.

- **GOLD (Watson)**

The GOLD/GALILEO User's Group Meeting is set for August 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education at UGA. The GOLD Serials Committee deserves kudos for their revision of the Union Serials Listing Manual.

**8. Future Meetings (Hurt)**

The group agreed to meet in October in the Atlanta area. Charlene Hurt will follow-up to establish the date and time and provide the location.