Approved Minutes
GALILEO Steering Committee
Henry County Public Library
Friday, June 10, 2011
10:00 AM – 11:10 AM

Attendees: Gordon Baker, Elizabeth Bagley, Pat Borck, Susan Cooley, David Evans, Lauren Fancher, Eva Lautemann, LaVerne McLaughlin, Tad Mindeman, Bede Mitchell, Catherine Murray-Rust, Merryll Penson, Bill Potter, Mary Jane Rootes, Gene Ruffin, Saxony Scott, Judy Serritella, Tammy Sugarman, Shawn Tonner

1) **Welcome and Introductions (Mitchell)**

2) **Approval of February 4, 2011 Minutes (Mitchell)**
   Minutes were approved as submitted.

3) **Report from Executive Director (Penson)**
   a. The GISA group numbers remain stable; they will have two new schools, a returning school, and two that dropped due to funding issues.
   b. An activities report was distributed to the group.
   c. GALILEO Databases FY12:
      i. University System of Georgia will be cancelling the following database due to funding cuts: Book Index with Reviews, Oxford English Dictionary, Oxford Art Online, Encyclopedia Britannica, and Films on Demand. Efforts are being made to find funding to continue some of these if possible, but the prospects are not promising.
      ii. Because Oxford Art Online was provided to all communities due to the consortial purchase of the academic libraries, it will go away for all except those that choose to continue.
      iii. The AMPALS group will cancel Book Index with Reviews.
      iv. GPALS is reviewing options for Book Index with Reviews, Oxford Art Online, and Britannica and should have a decision soon.
      v. GPLS, TCSG, and GISA will maintain their current set of resources.
      vi. The DOE will provide funding that will allow for reinstating SIRS Researcher/Discoverer, effective date to be determined. Serritella reported that the restoration of the databases also was made possible by ProQuest's pricing concessions.
      vii. Mitchell distributed statistics from the GALILEO Friends Facebook page. Penson stressed the importance of advocacy from the community in the coming months.
   d. Ex Libris Products: GALILEO purchases software such as SFX and bX from Ex Libris, which is also offering a Discovery tool and a

next generation ILS. As part of the evaluation of these tools, the GALILEO staff have been engaged in a dialogue with the company about possible configurations and pilots that would help identify future directions for Discovery tools as well as the GALILEO system environment.

e. Public Library Resources: A survey has been distributed on behalf of GALILEO Steering Committee public library representatives Susan Cooley, Carolyn Fuller, and Helen Poyer to help determine Georgia public libraries' GALILEO resources for fiscal year 2013. Designed to identify resources that libraries are purchasing locally as well as the resources or topic areas libraries would find most useful. Once top resources are identified, database trials will be made available for review, feedback, and discussion. The goal is to have a database suite that more closely reflects the current needs of Georgia's citizens and public libraries. GPLS Resources Survey: http://www.surveys.usg.edu/se.ashx?s=06C2C3B9191194E6

f. Alan Harkness, Assistant State Librarian for Library Development will be representing GPLS on the GALILEO Steering Committee.

g. The group discussed changes underway in the System office administration.

h. GALILEO Budget FY13: We will need to have a plan for how to ensure the funding for FY13 during FY12, including advocacy.

4) GALILEO Steering Committee Strategic Plan (Mitchell)
Mitchell had distributed a copy of the RACL plan to the group back in the Fall. Prior to the meeting, he had sent a draft of a GALILEO-specific plan, which coordinates with the RACL plan. He asked the group for comments. They suggested that references to Google Books be changed to "open access content." They also suggested revision to a sentence with an ambiguous "its" reference,

5) Next Generation NGE and Beyond (Penson)
Many are aware of the recent survey regarding the New Georgia Encyclopedia (NGE). Efforts continue to find an appropriate solution for the development of a publishing platform and interface for the "Next Generation" NGE. Over the years, the development and support of the system have become less sustainable at the same time new capabilities are required. Options under consideration include a proprietary Content Management System (CMS), open source CMS, and a potential partnership with Encyclopaedia Britannica. An opportunity for one-time planning and implementation funding exists through a foundation. A motion was made and passed for the Chair of the GALILEO Steering Committee to send a letter in support of the NGE to the foundation as part of the application. The community representatives are also willing to send letters if that would be helpful.

6) Ex Libris Users Group Metadata Petition (Fancher)

A motion was made and passed for the GALILEO Steering Committee to endorse the ELUNA Metadata Petition.

7) **OCLC WMS (Mindeman)**
Covenant is one of 70 early adopters of the OCLC Webscale Management System, a cloud-based replacement of the ILS. They began training in February 2011; they went live the last week in April. The process was quick and smooth. They are the first library in Georgia to be selected and the 11th institution worldwide to go live. The product is still under development with the attendant issues, but the hosted solution relieves the library of significant staff overhead. They are pleased with the discovery tool and feel that the product has a lot of possibility for collaboration and innovation. Interested searchers are able to access the system from the Covenant Library website; it is open to search but requires authentication to access full-text. Mindeman will also provide a guest password on request.

6) **Reports from the Library Communities**
- **AMPALS (Liz Bagley):** The group is making final decisions on whether to drop the three databases in question.
a. **GPALS (Tad Mindeman):** The group is making final decisions on whether to drop the three databases in question. Membership for the next year is stable. The library director's position at Shorter is vacant. They will meet in tandem with COMO this year.
b. **DOE (Judy Serritella):** Judy is working on a project related to the 16 federally identified career clusters to provide picture books to go with each cluster. She has used NoveList to develop these. She shared some other ideas regarding marketing.
c. **GPLS (No Report):** Penson mentioned that Alan Harkness, former director of Piedmont Regional Library, has joined the GPLS as Assistant State Librarian for Library Development, and will be their representative to GALILEO. He has met with GALILEO staff and has participated in a discussion with Penson about the GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Conference (GGUG). For 2011, there will be no GGUG meeting, but activities may be combined with COMO in October. The GGUG conference, focused on resource sharing, has been heavily subsidized by GPLS through IMLS funding. GPLS has been reorganizing staff and priorities, resulting in some reductions in staffing and ongoing evaluation of the role of GOLD going forward.
d. **TCSG: No report**
e. **GISA: No report**
f. **USG (Bede Mitchell):** The new Chancellor starts July 1. Enrollment will continue to increase in the Fall. The Hope scholarship has been stabilized for the moment. The GSU copyright case wrapped up arguments this week.

8) **New Business (Mitchell/Ruffin)**

Mitchell introduced Gene Rufffin, who is the incoming Chair. Ruffin provided a list of meeting dates to the group, which were finalized as follows: August 5, September 30, December 9, February 3, April 13, and June 15.

9) Adjourn (Mitchell)