Approved Minutes
GALILEO Steering Committee
Henry County Public Library
Friday, December 4, 2009
10:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Attendees: Elizabeth Bagley, Gordon Baker, Michael Bain, Carol Bray, Susan Cooley, Tim Daniels (for Lamar Veatch), Carolyn Fuller, Katie Gohn, Debbie Holmes, Bede Mitchell, Catherine Murray-Rust, Merryll Penson, Bill Potter, Kirsten Pylant, Mary Jane Rootes, Gene Ruffin, Deborah Shackelford, Kate Stirk, Tammy Sugarman, Joan Taylor, Shawn Tonner, Toni Zimmerman.

Guests:
Kim Robinson, Lynda James-Gilboe, Mike Bruenberg, Scott Maynard – ProQuest
Chuck Leachman, Nader Qaimari - Gale/Cengage
Brian Duncan, Ron Burns, Louis Sookal – EBSCO
Katie Gohn – GALILEO Services
Deborah Shackelford – GALILEO Services

1) Welcome and Introductions (Baker) Dr. Baker welcomed members and made housekeeping announcements.

2) Approval of August 13, 2009 Minutes (Baker) Minutes from the August 13, 2009 meeting were approved as distributed.

3) Presentation of Vendor groups – Presentations were made from three different vendor groups: ProQuest; Gale/Cengage; and EBSCO. They each provided hour long presentations with time for discussion. Topics included current activities to address customer/user needs; future directions; and challenges and responses to the current economic environment.

4) Report from Executive Director (Penson) – The GALILEO Activity report was distributed along with the preliminary results from GALILEO annual user survey. This year the survey asked about mobile devices, blogs, and twitter. GALILEO staff will be evaluating the results in the coming weeks.

OIIT has a new CIO, Dr. Curt Carver. Dr. Carver is a Lt. Colonel in Army currently stationed at West Point where he is the Vice Dean of Instruction. Dr. Carver retires from military on the 1st of May. In the meantime, he will be doing two weeks here and two weeks at West Point. On May 1, he plans to distribute a Strategic Plan for OIIT. GALILEO staff have been providing him information on GALILEO.

GALILEO staff are undertaking planning for the 15th birthday party. Currently GALILEO staff have one volunteer from outside of the GALILEO group and are hoping to have more volunteers as the plans progress.
5) Reports from the Library Communities

a.) AMPALS (Bagley) – The Robert W. Woodruff Library at Atlanta University Center reports that renovations are on track with a temporary entrance and relocated services through May 2010: http://www.auctr.edu/renovation-site/index.asp.

Oglethorpe University’s Weltner Library has acquired a copy of the Leonardo da Vinci Codex Hammer and shared contact information for other libraries interested in obtaining a copy. The publisher rep. is Albert Colonna, mailto:exportdpt@trec.it.

Agnes Scott College’s McCain Library will launch a Text-the-Library reference service next week, becoming what we believe is the first Georgia library to do so. ASC is using Mosio’s product that integrates easily with Meebo’s Instant Messaging so that staff only need to monitor one place for virtual reference. We plan to investigate whether we could share this service in the future with ILL, and on campus with the Registrar, Student Accounts, etc. For a reasonable cost, Mosio:

- receives patrons’ text messages via all the major cell phone carriers and posts them to a secure web site, so staff do not need a cell phone to answer
- gathers messages anonymously, protecting patrons’ privacy
- offers customizable quick links, including away messages at set times
- accepts text messages by email, providing a back-up method for replies
- provides free marketing materials and web graphics
- offers up to 3 logins if libraries want to track the service away from the reference desk
- keeps statistics and builds an online knowledge database of past questions and answers specific to your library
- allows the library to block abusive phone numbers

b.) GPALS (Bain) – The note in previous minutes is still applicable.

c.) TCSG (Stirk) – No report.

d.) DOE (Serritella) – The contract for 2010 was sent to the Board of Regents and GaDOE is awaiting its return to start the payment process.

Georgia Standards.org is going to add a ‘quick link’ to its page so that the K-12 community, when on GSO, can quickly access GALILEO.
Judy attended AASL and “presented” at the Britannica booth several times during the conference.

e). GISA (Pylant) – Kirsten conducted training at the state annual GISA meeting and reports positive response to the training, the “best session heard in 6 or 7 years”.

f.) GPLS (Zimmerman) – The GOLD reimbursement for FY10 covering lending activity from July-September, 2009 is ready to go. 111 institutions qualify with a little over $21,000 going back to Georgia libraries. Hopefully payments will be out by end of next week. The end of the second quarter occurs on 12/31/09, so we’re in to the next element. This quarter activity is a slight improvement over the first quarter. Public libraries have the December director’s meeting next week with most of the discussion centered on budget allocation and funding.

g.) USG (Baker) – USG libraries are waiting on word on a possible additional 2% cut. USG schools are looking at six furloughs days this year.

7. Other – No other business reported.

8. Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eva Lautemann
Secretary
(With assistance from Deborah Shackelford)