

**Approved Minutes  
GALILEO Steering Committee  
Henry County Public Library  
Friday, June 15, 2012  
10:00 AM – 11:20 AM**

**Attendees:** Judith Brook for Beth Hammond, Laura Burtle for Nancy Seamans, Bill Clayton for Bill Potter, David Evans, Lauren Fancher, Carolyn Fuller, Beth Hammond, Alan Harkness, Debbie Holmes, Beth McIntyre, Mary McClung for Leah Dasher, Bede Mitchell, Merryll Penson, Gene Ruffin, LaVerne McLaughlin, Annie Payton, Glenn Phillips, Robert Quarles, Elijah Scott

**1) Welcome and Introductions (Ruffin)**

**2) Approval of April 13, 2012 Minutes (Ruffin)**

Minutes were approved with one correction.

**3) Report from Executive Director (Penson)**

- a) The FY13 database selection process has resulted in reduced content in the Ebsco suite from Masterfile Premier to Masterfile Elite) for all of GALILEO as well as the elimination of Informe, which had been paid for by the public libraries. In addition the public libraries eliminated Ebsco's History and Literary Reference Center, the Britannica suite, and the ProQuest suite. New resources for the public libraries include EPrep, Learning Express Library, and Job and Career Accelerator. The TCSG will be getting the Films On Demand Career Collection. GALILEO will set up online training for the new resources and work with the vendors for other promotional opportunities. It is possible that the DOE will be cancelling SIRS.
- b) Cost share information is forthcoming.
- c) Discovery Tool Option Direction: Penson shared the largely positive feedback from the various information sessions that have been held about the Discovery Tool proposal since the April meeting. Concerns centered on risk from possible vendor dominance. Ongoing funding for public institutions will be included in the Reinvestment in GALILEO proposal. The steering committee voted to approve a motion to implement the proposed EDS Discovery tool for GALILEO for FY13.
- d) Reinvestment in GALILEO Proposal: A draft is being shaped through dialogue with the BOR and RACL group, based on the strategic plan. The tentative draft components include maintaining the current databases, adding additional common core curriculum resources such as reference and ebooks, Discovery tool, Next Generation library system for USG and TCSG, increased support for the Digital Library of Georgia and a digital preservation platform, the GALILEO Knowledge Repository, copyright support, and staffing support, including for distance education.

- e) E-Books Task Force: They looked at the records for Project Gutenberg. The 31,000 records have minimal metadata. They want to figure out how to make the Hathi trust books into the GIL UC. There are not that many records in Hathi yet, so doing this would not introduce a lot of duplication.
- f) State Government Access: In the beginning, GALILEO participation precluded access by other state agencies. Both EBSCO and ProQuest have agreed to add state government for no additional cost. Details will need to be worked through, but it could help make GALILEO more visible to funders/stakeholders in state government.
- g) ICOLC (Ruffin): Ruffin attended for Penson in April. Attendees from all over the world heard about many different initiatives.

**4) GALILEO Governance Structure:** The governance document needs to be updated to reflect changes in the GOLD organization, names of positions, organizations, departments, and permanent memberships. Specific changes include the following:

- a. Eliminate reference to GOLD/GALILEO Users Group and membership from there given GPLS's decision to revamp GOLD
- b. Change OIT to Information Technology Services and inserted Board of Regents as appropriate
- c. Change Director of Virtual Library Support (formerly Judy Kelly) to Director of GALILEO Support Services (Lauren Fancher position)
- d. Change RACL Liaison to Executive Director for Library Services/RACL liaison
- e. Add Georgia Tech in narrative reflecting the GAL Steer decision to add them because of leadership role with GKR. (position was added, but narrative didn't get corrected)
- f. Officially add the State Librarian as a member of GAL Steer. When Lamar came he was added to listserv and came to meetings but was not officially named in governance document.
- g. Noted that Public library representatives are appointed by GPLS
- h. Added GISA representative. Done by GAL Steer but not represented in document.
- i. Added the word technology to indicate potential for partnerships beyond library automation
- j. Changed GALILEO project to GALILEO program

The Steering Committee approved the changes with the following corrections: spell out AMPALS and change Atlanta Higher Education Consortium to Atlanta Regional Council for Higher Education (ARCH).

**5) Digital Public Library of America (Penson)**

Penson asked the group whether there was interest in participating with the Digital Public Library of America. The group agreed to stay on the sidelines and monitor for the time being.

## 6) Reports from the Library Communities

- a. **ARCHE/AMPALS (Judith Brook for Beth Hammond):**  
AMPALS will be meeting soon. Brook, a former AMPALS chair, announced that she would be retiring.
- b. **GPALS (Glenn Phillips):**  
GPALS has lost one school – Art Institute of Atlanta has dropped out for FY13.
- c. **DOE (Judy Serritella):**  
Serritella reported on the process for DOE funding of GALILEO, which resulted in a significant cut from the agency. The proposal had included continuation of the FY12 collection of K12 databases, particularly notable for support of common core curriculum. For FY13, it looks likely that the SIRS resources will need to be cancelled. However, Serritella continues to work on identifying possible options for additional funding.
- d. **GPLS (Harkness):**  
GPLS is working on a project to catalog books in the governor's mansion, including many rare and old materials, in a new instance of PINES. Health insurance premium increases are resulting in reduction in hours and staffing of many public libraries. John Szabo, Director of the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library System is going to Los Angeles City Public Library System to be the City Librarian.
- e. **TCSG (McClung for Dasher):**  
They are pleased that they were able to not only maintain their resources but also add Films On Demand. Many schools are undergoing SACS accreditation.
- f. **GISA (Pylant via email):**  
Three new schools are joining the GISA group, two are leaving, and they have a total increase of FTE of just over 10%.
- g. **USG (Ruffin):** RACL is participating in the Complete College America initiative, adhering to the Strategic Plan. Georgia Health Sciences University, Georgia College and State University, Valdosta State University (and library school) have new directors/deans. ABAC and East Georgia have interim directors. Two of the four new names have been announced for consolidating institutions: University of North Georgia and Middle Georgia State College. University of Health Sciences and Augusta State University are considering six possible names. The University System has a new Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Dr. Houston Davis. USG libraries will have to absorb increased costs for enrollment increases and database increases for FY13 as central funding is not available.

**7) Next Meetings (Ruffin)**

The next meeting will be August 10th. The incoming chair Katharine Murray-Rust will provide information about the ongoing meeting schedule for FY13.

**8) Bill Clayton (Penson)**

Penson announced that Bill Clayton, Head of Systems for the University of Georgia and major contributor to the GALILEO and GIL programs, will be retiring December 1. Penson thanked him personally and offered gratitude and appreciation on the part of the Steering Committee. The group applauded Clayton.

**9) Adjourn (Ruffin)**

The group adjourned at 11:20 AM.