

**GALILEO Steering Committee (GALSTEER)**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
December 2, 2022

**Attendees:**

Kimberly Bugg  
Laura Burtle on behalf of Jeff Steely  
David Edens, At-Large  
Julius Fleschner, Chair  
Dr. Toby Graham  
Lucy Harrison  
Donita Hinckley  
Debbie Holmes  
Natalie Marshall

LaVerne McLaughlin, At Large  
Burr Osoinach  
Russell Palmer  
Martha Powers-Jones  
Allison Repzynski  
Leslie Sharp  
Brad Warren  
Melissa Whitesell, Chair Elect  
Julie Walker, GPLS

**Agenda and Minutes:**

Lucy Harrison called the meeting to order, and Julius Fleschner asked for a motion to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved by Natalie Marshall and LaVerne McLaughlin seconded. LaVerne McLaughlin moved to approve the agenda. Donita Hinckley seconded.

**General GALILEO Updates:**

GIL User Group Meeting (GUGM) – Virtual

May 16-18, 2023 (Save-the-dates will be sent this fall to the public.)

Due to GALILEO's current RFP process, we will not start planning the conference until February 2023, at the earliest.

Keynote speakers; TBD

**GALILEO Annual Conference**

In person, Middle Georgia State College

June 14, 2023

Attendance will be capped at 150 people. Usually 180 people attend.

Additional K-12 professional development during the year.

Call for proposals will be sent out in February 2023.

GALILEO Ambassador Award nominations will be opened in the spring

Keynote speakers?

## **Annual Survey**

New survey platform, Zoho, that enabled captcha, but ended up with 4,000 spam in the first few days. A password was added in mid-November Joy will filter through responses. The data will be available in December, but they will be announced to public in January.

Winner of the gift card will be notified in early December before schools close for the winter holiday

## **Inclusive Access**

Lucy is working the USG on trying to get changes made to the USG Inclusive Access Policy. Once the policy changes are made would like to negotiate statewide pricing.

Inclusive access is a model of textbook and courseware access. It is sometimes called day one initiatives, typically digital content may be bundled with courseware, test prep, homework, platforms. Think like my Math Lab. A number of USG institutions are currently doing it. A number of private higher ed institutions doing it as well. There is a bit of a disconnect between what the USG policy and business process manual says. Technically this is not opt out access. Which is where students are opted in and have to opt out. Not currently allowed even though institutions are doing it. Working through various folks at the system office to get the alignment in policy in place. If you are familiar with OHIO Link they put this model in place and managed to save money across the state.

## **Next Steps**

Report to EVs

Policy Change

Preferred Pricing not limited to just USG

Will communicate back out to the full group

## **ILS RFP Update**

Mostly of interest to the USG folks on the call could have implications for others as well. Currently in negotiation phase. We had a Planning phase January-March/April 2022, Posting phase May-July 2022, Evaluation Phase July-October 2022 and Negotiation phase (November 2022-February 2023)

Evaluation team reviewed responses from four vendors. Three vendors were invited to demo. Several hundred people attended demos; 80+ provided survey feedback

- October 21: Final evaluation team meeting
  - Full scoring reveal
  - Pricing reveal

Determine which vendors to negotiate with

November - Spring negotiate with preferred vendors

Decision Spring 2023

Implementation (if necessary) Summer 2023 – Summer 2025

- Smaller Team - Negotiation team Jeff Steely (Georgia State), Sonya Gaither (Clayton State), Lucy Harrison, Barry Robinson Sean Boyle and Lucy Harrison.
- Begin negotiations with remaining (2) vendors
  - Pre-Negotiation meetings scheduled 12/5
  - Full negotiation meetings in January
- Still a lot of details and concerns to be worked out
  - Negotiation team Jeff Steely (Georgia State), Sonya Gaither (Clayton State), Lucy Harrison, Barry Robinson Sean Boyle and Lucy Harrison.
  - Pricing is a major issue with at least one vendor
  - Development capabilities/timeline
  - Working through technical requirements to identify integration/system/architecture “gaps”
- Still eyeing a February/March decision but that is flexible

Potential Impact on Non USG Libraries

- If Ex Libris selected the negotiation, initial impact to USG and TCSG (mostly pricing)
- Any move away from current vendor could affect TCSG
- Will also talk with private higher eds to determine interest
- Conversations with GPLS around resource sharing

## **E-Resources Update**

John Stephens provided an update on e-resources shared usage update.

Accessibility Committee

- Recently hosted a webinar on Digital Awareness and Accessibility
- Link to recording has been added to the GALILEO Training page under Recorded Training

Open Access Committee

- Meetings every two months to discuss open access strategies

## **Member Updates**

Julie Walker (GPLS) wrapped up month of nominations for GPLS Awards. GPLS Awards are given annually or the Public Library of the Year, Public Library Director of the Year, Library

Employee of the Year and Library Champion. Nominations were open for the month of November. Announcements will be made in January. Celebrate them on Library Day at the Capital. The Governor joins to help present awards. Next week is the public library director's meeting. There are three a year. Next week will be in Savannah. New public director orientation. Several new public library directors. So, we will spend a day with them. There will be a new public library e-resources advisory committee to evaluate experience with e-read kids and explore other options for participation in the Palace Project in January.

Martha Powers-Jones (Okefenokee) mentioned that Julie left out a key piece of information that she was honored by. Julie Walker is the president of COSAL. (Chief Officers of State Library Agencies). Julie served as Vice Chair for a few years.

Donita Hinckley (K-12 Georgia Department of Education) big 3 year project called Georgia Connects technology ecosystem that will encompass lots of different systems pulling them all together to provide one place for educators to access Georgia Learns (professional learning), SuitCASE (standards for all courses in public education in Georgia), Inspire (instructional resource portal, newest part). Teachers can add their own lessons. An enhancement will be able to share lessons with administrators, fellow teachers. Media specialist can create lessons also and share with teachers.

Allison Repzynski (TCSG) enrolling all adult education students in student information system. Students will have ID numbers and access GALILEO resources from home.

### **Bento Plans**

Russell Palmer (GALILEO) gave an update on Bento. Release in December.

### **PowerNotes**

Russell gave a demo on Power Notes

### **Discussion**

OCLC Visibility Subscription

Allison will touch base with TCSG

Lucy and Julie will touch base before next Friday

Martha motioned to Adjourn; Jennifer second