

GALILEO Steering Committee

Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2018

Attendees: Alan Harkness, Kirsten Pylant, Jeff Carrico, Jeff Steely, Jennifer Durham, Kelly Ansley, Mark Flynn, Michael Chromey, David Evans, Michelle Barsom, Sandra Bandy, Sonya Gaither, Stephen Houser, Sherre Harrington, Alan Bernstein, Beth Miller

USG: Lucy Harrison, Russell Palmer

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM.

Secretary Debbie Holmes reports that the meeting minutes from the October 13 meeting will be distributed for approval via e-mail soon.

- **GALILEO Updates**
- Russell Palmer reviewed the [GALILEO Activities Report](#).
- **GALILEO Annual Conference**
- The GALILEO Annual Conference is scheduled for Thursday July 12, 2018.
- **E-Resources Committee**
- **OpenAthens**
- We are continuing to work on the technical, legal, and contract aspects of OpenAthens, including sole source, which should be approved soon.
- **Other updates—Ex Libris/Summon/EDS**
- Lucy Harrison presented an offer from Ex Libris, which is giving us the opportunity to use Summon for discovery at no additional cost to all GALILEO libraries across the state. In order to evaluate this, we would need to institute a technical, quality, and functionality review and comparison of Summon and EDS, starting with the EResources committee. Support for content, cost benefit analysis, usability, linking were all suggested as factors to consider. What would we do with additional funds? Should we consider having an outside consultant evaluate this? It was suggested that we might use savings to just reduce overall costs. It was decided that the E-Resources Committee would review and evaluate this proposal, and would coordinate with the GIL OPAC Committee Together to investigate and report. A motion was made and seconded, and unanimously passed.
- **Survey results review**
- Lucy shared highlights from the [survey results and review](#). Overall, positive feedback. 613 survey responses were received, about half of the participant responses from last year. Lucy



pointed out that mobile usage could be higher, social media usage was reviewed, and comments about authentication and web page changes were considered. A question was asked about how we reach those who are not GALILEO users. It was suggested that we might run a facebook ad to target non-users. It was suggested that we evaluate if teachers using project (problem?) based learning and if it has had an impact on research/GALILEO usage.

- **ROI/Metrics discussion**

Discussions over the past few meeting about the value of GALILEO and the best way to represent that value that moves beyond usage statistics. Lucy presented a chart that suggested metrics through three “lenses” for each functional area:

Usage, Savings, and Impact.

Lucy and GALILEO staff drafted the suggested metrics, [found here](#).

It was suggested that we continue to work on and refine this documentation and the metrics. Lucy will refine and send to GALSTEER for feedback on specifics.

Saving effort is definitely challenging to gauge.

- **Call for any new business—None**

- **Announcements**

- **AMPALS**

- Michael Chromey, no report.

- **GPALS**

- Fall meeting. Amended constitution to not-for-profit institution. GPALS approved the membership of Georgia Christian University, for FY 2018-2019.

- **DOE**

- Tony Vlachakis sent this [update](#) on January 8.

- **GISA**

- No updates for GISA

- **GPLS**

- Wendy Cornelisen provided the following update:

- PINES is expanding! The Live Oak Public Libraries, based in Savannah, are joining PINES on February 20th. The PINES upgrade earlier this month went smoothly; member libraries now have a web client for the Evergreen ILS system.

- GPLS annual awards have been announced:
- Carolyn Fuller (just retired from Henry County) is our Librarian of the Year
- Rep. Terry England and Sen. Jack Hill, who each chair appropriations committees, are sharing the title of Public Library Champion of the Year.
- Athens Regional Library System is the Public Library of the Year.
- Stephen Whigham is the recipient of our first-ever Lifetime Achievement Award.
- Deborah Hakes has joined the GPLS staff as our new director of communications.
- The assistant state librarian for administration and operations position is posted.
- Public Library Day at the Georgia Capitol is schedule for Tuesday, January 30th. Varsity hot dogs and recognition of our award winners are on the menu!
- National Library Legislative Day is May 7-8 in Washington, D.C.
 - **TCSG**
- Not on the call
 - **USG**
- Consolidations are ongoing. Still working with Alma and other Alma related GALILEO projects.
 - **Others?**

No other announcements

- Next meeting dates: March 9 (tentative—we will meet online only if needed)
- June 8, face to face meeting at Henry County Public Library
- Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.