

**Approved Minutes
GALILEO Steering Committee
Henry County Public Library
Friday, August 23, 2013
10:00 AM – 11:15 AM**

Attendees: Laura Burtle for Nan Seamans, Lauren Fancher, Mark Flynn, Beth Hammond, Leigh Hall for Lynn Futch, Elaine Hardy for Julie Walker, Eugenia McAlister from Augusta Technical College, LaVerne McLaughlin, Catherine Murray Rust, Bill Potter, Merryll Penson, Glen Phillips, Robert Quarles, Gene Ruffin, Elijah Scott, Brenda Seago

1) Welcome and Introductions (McLaughlin)

McLaughlin welcomed the committee. Guests included Leigh Hall for Lynn Futch, Elaine Hardy for Julie Walker, and Eugenia McAlister from Augusta Technical College,

2) Approval of Minutes of May 17, 2013 (McLaughlin)

Minutes were approved as submitted.

3) Discover GALILEO Update (Fancher)

The plan for the first part of FY14 has been updated and is available on the project website at:

http://help.galileo.usg.edu/librarians/discover_galileo_information

Catalogs: The Technical College Catalogs, electing private library catalogs, and the PINES catalog are in process for Discovery.

New AZ (to be FullText Finder) Accounts: The timeline on this effort has been pushed back to from July to October due EBSCO's plan to release a new platform for these services called "FullText Finder," sometime in late August – early September. This product will replace the (1) AZ (in first release) and (2) LinkSource (in second release, tentative January 2014) products and it seems to offer an enhanced administrative experience for more granular, title-level management. Based on the amount of configuration that is needed to set up almost 400 accounts, GALILEO and EBSCO agreed to set up all of the new accounts in the new platform beginning in October. A schedule will be shared when available. Baseline account configuration will be followed by an elective training process for libraries for hands-on management capabilities of EBSCO Discovery Service and FullText Finder.

4) Report of the Executive Director (Penson)

- a. **Budget/FY14 Databases:** Penson reported that GALILEO had facilitated two million dollars of cost-sharing, with savings of 20-25%.
- b. **Visit with OCLC:** OCLC asked that Penson remind the group that Illiad will be going away shortly, to be replaced with the next generation of ILL. Penson shared an OCLC report on library consortia. They hope to have regional user group meetings. They are also offering “viewing party” presentation/speaker packages on various topics for local meetings, including “Big Data” and changes in metadata.
- c. **FullCost Project:** ITS is continuing to work with a consultant to evaluate the actual costs of providing a service.
- d. **Equity Study:** ITS underwent a salary equity study with the goal of addressing marketplace and recruitment issues for staff salaries. Karen Minton and Courtney McGough have been promoted to Business Analyst III.
- e. **Georgia HomePlace:** Due to the Federal budget sequester, GPLS will hold off on funding the service for this year; they may be able to provide a smaller amount of funding later in the fiscal year for a particular project. HomePlace has been an essential partner in the Digital Library of Georgia digitization efforts.
- f. **Annual Survey:** The 2013 Annual User Survey will be conducted November 11-17, 2013. Users will be invited to participate in the survey via a spotlight image on the GALILEO websites and through announcements to the GALILEO listserv and other lists. Penson asked the group for any questions they would like to include.
- g. **American Chemical Society:** Penson shared information about the challenges related to their pricing model and consortia. The Steering Committee agreed that GALILEO should be the point of coordination with ACS rather than individual institutions.
- h. **Activities Report:** Distributed to the group.

5) New and Forthcoming in GALILEO

- a. **Kid’s page:** GALILEO Elementary, a new user view for younger students, is scheduled to go live on August 26, 2013. The new site features a targeted Discovery search, links to databases designed for student research, and an engaging interface. The new website design incorporates best practices in usability for children, as well as feedback from Georgia elementary school students. GALILEO Elementary is replacing the GALILEO Kids Page, which has been in production since October 2002. Preview feedback has been very positive.

- b. **NGE:** The New Georgia Encyclopedia has a new design in production. More than two years' worth of researching, planning, designing, and legwork have gone into producing the next generation of the NGE. The technology and design upgrade ensures that the encyclopedia's 2,000-plus articles and 6,000-plus images remain available and accessible to users, who visit its pages up to two million times a month.
- c. **GA Info:** The GeorgiaInfo redesign is nearing completion. Work continues on search optimization, and the layout is largely done. Internal testing is slated to begin no later than the week of Sept. 23-27. There are plans to test the new site with a group of middle school students.

6) Reports of the User Communities

a) **AMPALS (Hammond)**

AMPALS and GPALS have been discussing the possibility of merging the organizations. A key issue involves differences in how the organizations assess costs and the need to assess financial impacts of a change. They hope to make a decision over the course of this year.

b) **GPALS (Phillips)**

Phillips also commented on the merger discussion. GPALS will hold their Fall meeting in November at Berry College.

c) **GISA**

No report.

d) **GPLS (Hardy for Walker)**

GPLS is evaluating the GOLD organization in terms of union listing database functions that have changed in OCLC, as well as the name and function of the group.

e) **DOE**

No report.

1. **TCSG (Hall for Futch)**

TCSG is working on getting their catalogs into GALILEO. SACS timelines influence the schedule. Penson shared with the group that LexisNexis has provided an offer for the Technical Colleges. She will arrange for a trial and more discussion in January.

f) **USG (McLaughlin)**

The GKR Steering Committee has selected "Georgia Knowledge Repository: An Initiative of GALILEO" as the production name. Penson indicated that the service would be available in GALILEO in September. McLaughlin thanked and acknowledged the efforts of Georgia Tech, UGA, and Marlee Givens on the progress.

7) Next Meeting Dates (McLaughlin)

October 25 (Macon), January 24 (Macon), March 28 (WebEx), June 6 (McDonough)

8) Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.