NJLA College and University Section/ ACRL – NJ Executive Board Meeting October 4, 2001 Kilmer Library Rutgers University

Attending: Barbara Belicose, Vibiana Bowman, Jeris Cassel, Fran Kaufmann, Hui-Min Kuo

Call to Order: 10:19AM

President's Report - Jeris Cassel:

- There have been problems with updating the NJLA website. Mary Mallery spoke with Pat Tumulty about getting access rights to the server so that she can more readily update the CUS/ACRL-NJ pages. She was informed that NJLA President Leslie Burger has formed a Communications Committee which is exploring the possibility of an NJLA server. As of October 1, the NJLA server was updated, and the webmaster at Burlington County Library has given Mary access to the server. This means there should be no more delays in getting updated information on our section pages. Good work and thanks, Mary!
- Luis Rodriguez agreed to continue the job-shadowing program for Rutgers SCILS students this year. Students spend a day shadowing volunteer librarians through a typical day. Feedback from students who participated last year was very enthusiastic.
- NJLA Spring Conference 2002 will be held Wednesday, April 10, Thursday April 11, and Friday, April 12 at the Garden State Exhibit and Convention Center in Somerset. Conference Hotel is Doubletree Inn. Wednesday, April 10 will be the Pre-Conference day. Section chairs will begin meeting to plan programs. CUS would like one day, possibly Thursday, April 11 devoted to academic library programs. Jeris has already received program proposals, which require reliable internet access. This has been a problem at some conference sites. Hui-Min suggested that the call for papers and presentations should be open to the general academic library community. She noted that at last year's meeting, a one hour time slot was not sufficient for some programs. She also suggested that there be a 10-15 minute period between programs and that decisions on the number and length of programs should be made early. Jeris will pass our suggestions on to the planning committee.

ACRL-NJ sponsored Symposium for Academic Librarians:

• Discussion on the best time of year to hold the program. Suggestion to schedule a

half-day symposium during NJLA Pre-Conference day on April 10. An off-site location at an academic library such as the 4th floor meeting room at Alexander Library, Rutgers was recommended. This would allow access to fast, reliable internet access for presentations. A theme addressing concerns of both technical and public services librarians was recommended. Some ideas - "The Endangered Academic Librarian", "Are Librarians Obsolete?"

• Jeris will bring these ideas to NJLA and pitch it as a way of drawing more academic librarians to the Spring Conference.

Committee Reports:

• User Education - Jeris reported from Mark Graceffo's emailed committee report that a program on assessment is scheduled for December 7 at Union County College in Cranford. Marilyn Pukkila, Colby College will present a program on "Using Assessment as a Tool for Course Design" and Karen Hartmann, TCNJ will discuss "Strategies for Assessing a First Year Library Instruction Program". A flyer will go out in the next NJLA newsletter.

• **Technology Committee** -Barbara Belicose reported that the first meeting will be held on Friday, October 12.

• **Research Committee** - Hui-Min Kuo reported that the committee's meeting would be held on Friday, October 5.

• Nominations Committee - Aurora Ioanid has resigned. Thanks to Aurora for her untiring work on this committee. A new chair will have to be chosen before early Spring.

Future Meeting Schedule:

Some committee members have conflicts with the fall schedule of meetings. Discussion about changing dates. Dates did not present any conflicts for attendees at the October meeting. Jeris will keep the dates for the November and December meetings - Thursday, November 1 and Thursday, December 6.

Both meetings at 10AM, Kilmer Library, Rutgers. Meeting dates for the rest of the year will be discussed at the November meeting.

Meeting Adjourned : 11:26AM

Respectfully submitted,

NJLA College and University Section/

Frances Kaufmann Secretary/Treasurer