

**NJLA College and University Section
ACRL-NJ Chapter
Executive Board Meeting
Minutes
Nov. 4, 2005
Alexander Library, Rutgers-New Brunswick**

Present: Nicole Cooke, Christopher Lee, Mary Mallery, Marc Meola, Penny Page, Karen Topham

Call to order: 10:00 a.m.

Minutes: The minutes of the Oct. 7 meeting were approved.

President's Report—Marc Meola

- **VALE User's Conference**—The conference is set for Thursday, January 5, 2006. The conference keynote speaker will be Nancy Davenport from CLIR in Washington, DC. We can offer suggestions for her talk; perhaps something on the future of libraries in New Jersey, or something that would fit with the conference theme [collaboration and innovation]. Contact Marc with any other suggestions. Marc received an email from Richard Kearney saying that the breakout sessions are all scheduled. He hopes to get this information posted on the VALE website, and we can link to it from our webpage.
- **NJLA Conference**—The deadline for program proposals is today, Nov. 4. Marc has submitted our luncheon program, which includes requests for lunches (speaker and award winners), screen and projector for speaker, and hotel for speaker. Our speaker is Pam Snelson, ACRL President, and ACRL should be covering her travel expenses. Marc will contact her for specifics on her talk, which will presumably deal with ACRL issues. Marc will also be submitting our pre-conference workshop proposal on advocacy to Cindy Czesak via email.
- **ACRL**—Nicole will attend the Chapters Council meeting at ALA midwinter. We have a \$328 allocation from ACRL National to spend this year. The board suggested using this to reprint our brochure. Nicole is updating the content. We also have \$300 from NJLA that we can spend. The board discussed several possibilities: promotional items for conference giveaways (keychain, flashlight, post-its, etc.), frames for our awards, gifts for special recognitions and thanks. We may be able to work with the NJLA conference committee to order giveaways.

Committee Reports:

NJLA Liaison—Mary Mallery (for Nancy Madacsi)

Mary attended the Oct. 18 NJLA Executive Board meeting at the NJ Library for the Blind and Handicapped in Trenton. NJLA has appointed a committee to look into online balloting for NJLA

elections, possibly beginning with the 2006 ballot. NJLA is engaged in strategic planning and will be putting together focus groups involving members from the different sections. Pat Tumulty will be contacting Marc with details on when and how many members should attend. We can use this as an opportunity to bring our issues to the forefront. NJLA is still very much public-library oriented, and we need to have a stronger college/university presence. The next Executive Board meeting will be in Atlantic City on Nov. 15, during the annual meeting of the League of Municipalities. The fall business meeting will be held Nov. 30 at Old Bridge Public Library; Marc will attend for our section.

User Education—Karen Topham

The recent program on plagiarism held at Brookdale Community Collge on Oct. 21 was very successful. There were about 40 attendees, and the initial feedback has been very positive. The committee will be meeting Nov. 11 to review the evaluations. Vib Bowman and several other committee members have submitted a proposal for a breakout session at the VALE conference.

Newsletter—Nicole Cooke

The fall newsletter was distributed in PDF format via our two listservs, and there have been several positive comments. Work on the spring issue will commence after the VALE conference, with the goal of mailing the issue by late March or early April, so we can include announcements about our upcoming NJLA conference programs. Marc contributed a column on advocacy to the last NJLA newsletter. NJLA would like more contributions from our section for future issues; the next issue will be on funding.

Membership—Christopher Lee

The ACRLNJ listserv is up and running.

Research—Triveni Kuchi (email report)

The committee met Oct. 21 to finalize plans for its conference programs. The committee will again host the Research Forum, and will also offer a program called “All Together How: Collaboration in Research and Publication.”

Nominations—Steve Shapiro (email report)

Penny Page and Ruth Hamann have agreed to run for additional terms as Secretary and Member-at-Large, respectively. Steve is working on the nomination for VP/President-Elect.

Technology—Mary Mallery

The committee has two programs set for the NJLA conference. Eric Lease Morgan will be co-sponsored by the Information Technology Section. Grace Agnew will be speaking on institutional repositories and the use of Fedora for the NJ Digital Highway. Mary will submit a proposal for a third program featuring David Lindahl from University of Rochester speaking on web usability studies. If accepted, this program will probably be scheduled for Tuesday. The presentations by the nominees for the Technology Innovation Award will be held at the Rutgers Scholarly Communications Center on March 17.

Job Shadowing—Luis Rodriguez (email report)

Luis sent email information on job shadowing to the following MLS programs:

- RU
- Drexel
- Pratt
- Queens College
- CW Post (they have campuses in Manhattan and Westchester)
- Syracuse Distance Education program
- WISE (Web-based Information Science Education) programs: http://www.wiseeducation.org/home_p-home.aspx

He received one more volunteer (Denise Marshall from FDU) for the fall semester. Updated statistics, through fall 05:

Volunteers Fall 05: 43 volunteers

Institutions Fall 05: 28 campuses (some institutions have multiple campuses)

Volunteers Spring 04: 43 volunteers

Volunteers Fall 03: 32 volunteers

Volunteers Spring 03: 30 volunteers

Volunteers Fall 02: 31 volunteers

Old Business: None.

New Business—Mary Mallery

Blackboard and WebCT are merging, and they will involve the use of the Copyright Clearance Center for obtaining permissions to use articles. The CCC is offering “webinars” on Nov. 8 and 10 to show how this will work. The programs are free, but participants must register. Mary will send the information to our listservs.

Next meeting: Feb. 3, 2006.

Adjournment: 11:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny B. Page
Secretary