

***ACRL Instruction Section
Teaching Methods Committee Meeting
ALA Annual Conference 2008 – Anaheim, CA
Saturday, June 28, 2008 1:30-3:30pm
Anaheim Convention Center, Room 201 A/B***

Members Present: Jennifer Hootman (Chair), Ping Situ, Charlie Potter (Intern)

Excused Absences: Susie Skarl, Susanna Cowan (Virtual Member), and Alanna Aiko Moore

Visitors: Susan Vega Garcia, Iowa State University (Executive Liaison); Drew Smith, University of South Florida (Incoming Member); Becky Lasswell, UC Santa Barbara (Incoming Intern); Ben Bolin, California Maritime Academy; Mike Russo, Louisiana State University; Annette Marines, UC Santa Cruz; Roseline Williams, Scottsdale Community College; Mindy Drake, California Maritime Academy

Agenda Items:

1. Approval of Midwinter 2008 Minutes:

[Approved via e-mail following Annual]

2. Welcome and Introductions

- Jennifer Hootman welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked attendees to introduce themselves to the group.

3. Additions / Changes to Agenda

- There were no additions or changes to the agenda.

4. Overview from Saturday's IS Advisory Meeting (Jennifer Hootman and Susan Vega Garcia)

- Brad Seitz provided a LOEX update. The 2008 LOEX Conference was a success, with over 350 attendees and 45 sessions. The next LOEX conference will be in Albuquerque. Jennifer recommended the conference to the committee.
- An ALA e-Membership Meeting will be held at 3:30. Jennifer encouraged participation in this meeting.
- The IS Annual Conference Program, *Creating Change: Teacher Librarians and New Learners*, will be held on Sunday. A flyer was provided with specific details. Jennifer recommended attendance.
- The IS Soiree is getting larger, and Friday night's gathering was attended by more than 130 people.
- Sarah McDaniel, the vice-chair/incoming chair of IS, reported that ACRL is moving to a process

where conference programs proposed by Sections are vetted by ACRL. This change will first impact the 2010 ALA Annual Conference. Additionally, this change would impact the IS Conference Program Planning Committee timeline, since a committee would probably not be appointed until after a program proposal is accepted by ACRL. One idea behind the change is to ensure the quality of programming, but the change will not result in fewer programs.

- ACRL will add “interest groups” in an effort to target areas that do not currently have a home in ACRL (e.g. technical services). If approved, these interest groups could receive \$150 in funding per year for three years.
- Jennifer attended a sub-group meeting following the IS Advisory meeting that addressed whether an IS committee would take responsibility for an “orphaned” bibliography on web-based tutorials/instruction or whether the bibliography should be “retired.” All present including the Instructional Technologies, PRIMO, and Teaching Methods committee chairs decided it best to “retire” the bibliography. It was also discussed that the incoming Teaching Methods committee may consider proposing a new project that provided “Tips and Trends” (e.g., see Instructional Technologies committee Tips and Trends projects) that addresses best instructional pedagogies practiced when using web conferencing/e-learning software (e.g., Horizon Wimba/Live Classroom, Microsoft Live Meeting, WebEx, Elluminate). Brad Seitz, LOEX Director, expressed interest in this project and stated that if TMC chooses to propose this project that he has some information to contribute.

5. Reports on Projects

- FYE Bibliography: The FYE Bibliography has been successfully updated and melded with Scott Walters’. The approved bibliography and the newly created and approved Tips document for maintaining the bibliography are on the TMC webpage. The Tips document will help maintain consistency.
- Textbook Reviews: The newly created and approved Tips document for maintaining the Textbooks projects is now on the TMC webpage. The Tips document will help maintain consistency. The citation style is now correct on the Textbooks documents (was APA, now Chicago author/date system). Considering last year’s Executive Committee’s suggestions for changes to the Textbooks documents, Jennifer and Susan worked to weed titles that were out of scope and move some titles from one list to the other where appropriate regarding scope. The Textbooks documents are up for approval following the conference. This year’s updates for the Textbooks project are still in process. Jennifer has looked at the comments submitted by members via committee listserv. The committee still needs to add new titles, and this will be addressed by the incoming committee. After the conference, Jennifer will compile the comments and send them to the committee for review.

6. Future Projects

- FYE Bibliography: Jennifer discussed the previous timeline for the project. Several committee members suggested beginning work on the bibliography earlier, in order to accommodate due dates and feedback from is the Executive Committee. The current “heavy work” months are October and November. The new TMC chair and committee can consider this suggestion when

updating the Annual Planning document.

- Textbook Reviews: Like the FYE project, the timeline for this project might need revision. The “heavy work” months for this project are March and April. The new TMC chair and committee can consider this issue when updating the Annual Planning document.

7. Farewells, Congratulations, and Thanks

- Jennifer thanked the committee for their hard work. The committee thanked Jennifer for her service as chairperson.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Charlie Potter

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