ACRL Officer Report

Position: President

Name: Karen Williams

Report period: January – March 2015

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Strategic priority activities

- Conducted a conference call with the Board in preparation for Midwinter discussions on the Information Literacy Framework, January 14.
- Attended and led Midwinter Boards meetings, January 29 - February 2.
- Broadly advertised the open microphone session during the first Board meeting so that anyone who wished to share their thoughts about the IL Framework in person would have a chance to do that. About 70 people attended.
- Worked with other Board members to find a satisfactory resolution to the question of whether the IL Standards and the IL Framework could go forward together.
- Called the winners of the Excellence in Academic Libraries Award to notify and congratulate them.
- With Sharon Mader conducted a webcast on the new IL Framework, March 4.
- Attended virtually the ACRL candidates webcat, March 17.
- Attended ACRL 2015 in Portland, March 25-28. Did welcomes and introductions at a number of sessions. Served as a judge for Battledecks (great fun!). With Sharon Mader and Merinda Hensley spoke to a full audience about the new IL Framework.
- Participated in weekly presidents’ phone calls to further association goals and address new business in a timely way.

Ambassador activities

- With Mary Ellen Davis, met with a representative from EBSCO to discuss ways in which we might work together in the future.
Association service

- Participated in monthly conference calls with the Information Literacy Immersion Faculty.
- Wrote notecards to everyone who made gifts; most of the gifts were for scholarships to ACRL 2015.

Press coverage

- Spoke with a reporter writing a piece for the Denver newspaper about collections in research libraries.

Upcoming scheduled activities

- Presentation to joint Nebraska / Kansas ACRL Chapters meeting, Doane College, Nebraska, May 29, 2015.