

**CJCLS Library Technical Assistant Education Committee**  
**July 12, 2009: 10:30 am-12:00 noon**  
**Chicago Hilton, Bldv C. Room**  
**Participants: C. Antonucci, D. Dowell, M. Sheble, L. Slusar (Chair)**

**Minutes**

**CJCLS Membership Meeting**

Committee members participated in the general CJCLS membership meeting and discussion (10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.)

**LSSCP Approval Update**

D. Dowell reviewed progress toward obtaining approval for the LSSCP. The required number of ALA Divisions have approved the program/document. The ALA Council will be reviewing the Division recommendations to approve the program/document. If the ALA Council approves, this will clear the way for implementation

A trial of the program will be implemented during January, 2010 by three programs that were part of the initial application for the Laura Bush grant. Other applicants may begin applying for course approval in January, 2010. The intent would be to have course approval by fall, 2010 if not before then.

**Marketing the LSSCP – Internally to Library Technician Programs**

L. Slusar indicated concern over adoption of LSSCP certification criteria by instructors who teach library technician courses. Most programs rely primarily on adjunct faculty for teaching. She summarized her concerns as, “Who is in the driver seat?”

The committee discussed the advantages of educating library technician instructors about the importance of the LSSCP and the numerous advantages it can bring to graduates. Basic components of the LSSCP were reviewed and approaches were discussed.

One member of the committee suggested drafting a set of informal “marketing guidelines” for library technician program coordinators. The group discussed the need to update contact information for library technician programs. More discussion on these two issues is required and will be coordinated via email before Midwinter.

**Marketing the LSSCP – Externally to Potential Employers**

The Committee will focus on external marketing during Midwinter.

*Notes by: M. Sheble (7/30/09)*