CLS Leadership Committee
January 21, 2002

Present: Rick AmRhein, Mark Cain, Mary Ellen Chijioke, Tara Fulton, Nikhat Ghouse, Rita Gulstad, Damon Hickey (chair), John Jaffe, and Cynthia Peterson.

1. Article on successful searches for college library directors: Rick is overcommitted and cannot coordinate. List of potential contributors has been identified. Interviews need to be set up and done (telephone). Cynthia Peterson will take over coordination.

2. Article on “the extraverted librarian”: Tom has inquired about making it a CLIP Note. Chair of CLIP Notes Committee is enthusiastic. Will start with an e-mail survey, to be followed by formal proposal and survey. Probably a 9-month project. Mary Ellen Chijioke will help.

3. Recruiting to the profession: Tara Fulton is chair of 2003 CLS Program Committee. That is the topic, and our input was helpful.

4. Carolyn Sheehy’s panel presentation on attracting and supporting new college library directors: Carolyn is putting together a panel proposal for ACRL 2003 and would like our committee to sponsor/endorse. Mignon Adams will moderate. Committee asks that Carolyn e-mail committee members, get feedback. Mark: would like to see something new, or new synergies. Tara: how good a job are we doing identifying and encouraging likely candidates--not people who know already that they want to be directors? Mary Ellen: reasons for failed searches? Rita: outcomes of the first 3 classes of people who went through the mentoring program, and, if they're not still directors, why they stopped?

5. CLS initiative to end CLS committee meetings at Midwinter: Pro: more funding available for Annual from institutions. Con: will we meet in other ways (virtual, telephone?) between Annual Conferences? Maybe quarterly? Need structures to assure it happens. Some people may still come to Midwinter for other reasons, but may not have to stay as long. We might also be willing to have a longer timeframe for Annual. Consensus to support idea.

Damon D. Hickey, chair