Committee Meeting Highlights and Minutes
ALA Midwinter 2009 in Denver

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Committee Name: Executive Committee
Time and place convened: 8:05 a.m., January 26, 2009, at the Colorado Convention Center, Korbel Ballroom 4A
Name of person submitting minutes: Vanessa Earp, Secretary
Members present: Deborah Schaeffer (Chair), Lori Mestre (Vice Chair), Penny Beile (Past Chair), Vanessa Earp (Secretary), Ann Brownson (Member-at-Large), Bernadette Lear (Member-at-Large), Beth Broyles (Newsletter), Debora Cheney (Publications), Judy Walker (Listserv), Jessica Albano (Web Manager), Linda Kopecky (ACRL Board Liaison), Adam Burling (ARCL Liaison).
Members excused: 
Guests: Clayton Garthwait (New Members Round Table Liaison).
Minutes:

I. Introduction and Greetings:

Chair D. Schaeffer called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m., January 26, 2009, at the Colorado Convention Center, Korbel Ballroom 4A. Introductions were made.

II. Approval of the Agenda:

The agenda was amended to add one item and move another item. Discussion of the meeting times for the 2009 Annual Conference was added. The officer reports were moved to the end of the agenda. J. Walker moved that the agenda be approved. P. Beile seconded the motion. The agenda was approved as amended.

III. Approval of the Executive Committee Minutes from 2008 Annual Meeting:

A. Brownson moved that the minutes from the 2008 Annual meeting be approved. B. Broyles seconded the motion. The minutes passed as written.

IV. Announcements

None.

V. ACRL and Board Representatives.

L. Kopecky reported on the compressed schedule for the 2010 Annual Conference, the Friday-Tuesday schedule is firm. The slot identified for all executive committees to meet Saturday is not mandatory; they can meet at other times if that works better for them.

L. Kopecky inquired why EBSS did not submit an action plan for the fall ACRL Liaison Board Orientation. D. Schaeffer told her EBSS had submitted a proposal but our proposed action plan was rejected by ACRL. The next round of action plans are due by the end of July 2009. Currently the Vice-Chair writes the action plan, but they have only been vice-chair for a short while before the submission deadline, perhaps this is something the EBSS needs to think about changing.
L. Kopecky also mentioned that if the committees have issues with conference hotels we should let ACRL know. For example nothing was cleaned in the ballroom for the Hyatt Regency. If this happens again we should call conference services and they will take care of the issue right away.

VI. ACRL Vice-President Candidate

Lisa Janicke Hinchliffe and Kelly Janousek spoke to the Executive Committee about their candidacy.

VII. Discussion items

*Conference attendance alternatives.*

This was discussed at Advisory, but the committee didn’t make any decisions. EBSS needs to communicate the changes to the entire membership (attendance at 1 meeting only, virtual memberships, virtual committees). Perhaps creating an official document that we give to new members that outlines the chair and committee members’ responsibilities is a good idea. L. Mestre will write something up that explains the new options and will give to the Executive Committee for review. P. Beile brought up the fact that virtual members who call in for meetings don’t pay a registration fee and other committee members may see this as unfair.

i. Perhaps have Amanda Hornby (the EBSS Emerging Leader) work on putting something together on running virtual meetings, as she is working on a project on technological integration into meetings. D. Schaeffer will contact A. Hornby and ask for her assistance on this.

ii. J. Walker brought up the possibility of having the EBSS New Leader Orientation virtually before annual. This will be investigated.

*EBSS Procedures*

V. Earp explained the changes from bylaws to procedures. There were no major changes. J. Walker moved to approve the EBSS Procedures. Bernadette Lear seconded the motion. The motion passed.

*Action Plans for 2009/2010*

L. Mestre reported the 2009/2010 action plan will focus on virtual meetings. She will work with the Membership Committee on the action plan.

This led to a discussion of why creating the action plans is a duty of the Vice-Chair. The Vice-Chairs don’t actually take office until after annual and this leaves a very small window in which to work. Could EBSS restructure this some how? EBSS will also need to start preparing their action plans earlier. It needs to
be made clear to the candidates for Vice-Chair that they will have to create an action plan shortly after taking office.

J. Walker brought forth the idea that the Executive Committee should come up with the action plan and be responsible for carrying out the plan. This item will be discussed more at Annual.

Action Items

Web managing

D. Cheney brought forth a proposal to create an Associate Web Manager. This would ensure that EBSS would have 2 web managers at the same time. We would like to ask J. Albano if she is willing to continue her work as the Web Manager for the next year. A search will be conducted to appoint an Associate Web Manager. Both terms will be for two-years and they would be staggered so there would be overlap.

V. Earp moved to create an Association Web Manager position. A. Brownson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

B. Lear moved that the position be for a 2-year term with the possibility of reappointment. B. Broyles seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Consolidated meeting proposal

D. Schaeffer brought up the topic of the 2010 annual conference condensed schedule. The Executive Committee could expand the Consolidated Meeting so committees have a longer meeting time to do their work. This would start at Midwinter 2010. There may be a conflict with certain committees who usually meet at 8 a.m. (Psych, Psych, and Membership). Perhaps if we have a longer consolidated at Midwinter, we could move the Advisory Committee meeting to the end. This will be further discussed at Annual.
A. Burling mentioned that some committees are meeting virtually, although normal committee members must attend 1 face to face meeting per year. However if a member is a virtual member they do not have to attend the conferences. Sections have the option of having completely virtual committees (we could also call these task forces or working groups). We could allow committees to meet virtually at next Midwinter.

A. Burling reminded that ACRL has guidelines for virtual meetings. If it is synchronous with more than 2 people, it is considered a meeting and must be open with minutes. That means others have to be given the opportunity to attend. The question arose of costs and who pays for the virtual meetings? For example who pays for the conference calls, ALA has the technology but not necessarily the staff time to set them up. ALA staff is going to compile a list of the different technologies and which sections/groups are using those technologies.

J. Walker asked how we could let members know about the meetings. We can request a membership list from ACRL and then give that list to the committee chair. The chair would have to send out the communication. Could the listserv suffice for announcing to the membership even though not every EBSS member subscribes?

No action was taken on this topic. It will be placed on the agenda for Annual.

IX Other

C. Garthwait the Liaison from New Members Round Table (NMRT) introduced himself and asked for any comments on how NMRT could help EBSS. Deborah Schaeffer mentioned that we hope to work with NRTM on marketing the section and recruiting members.

The possibility of requesting switching the EBSS New Leaders Orientation (8-10) with the Executive Committee (10:30-12) and having them co-located was discussed. J. Walker will investigate the possibility of using a conference call and L. Mestre will investigate using Illuminate for New Leaders Orientation after annual.

EBSS membership is down 4% (977 down from 1018), ACRL membership is down 2.87%.
J. Walker (Chair of the ad hoc Information Literacy Standards Committee) proposed creating a virtual task force to continue the work on the Psychology Information Literacy Standards. She will create a charge for this task force and bring it to the Executive Committee at Annual.

J. Walker brought up that all of the recipients, except one, of the Distinguished Librarian award have been education librarians. Perhaps EBSS needs to change the name of the award or revise the award description to attract a broader audience. We also need to determine if the award is a culmination of life’s work, or of a shorter time period. We need to solicit better for non-education candidates. This item will be discussed at Annual.

X Officer Reports

Officer reports were not given due to time limitations. Officer reports are included in the EBSS Advisory Committee Minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 am

Respectfully submitted by Vanessa Earp, EBSS Secretary

Committee Name: Advisory Council
Time and place convened: 4:00 p.m., January 25, 2009, Colorado Convention Center
Name of person submitting minutes: Vanessa Earp, Secretary
Members present: Deborah Schaeffer (Chair), Lori Mestre (Vice-Chair), Penny Beile (Past Chair), Vanessa Earp (Secretary), Ann Brownson (Member-at-Large), Bernadette Lear (Member-at-Large), Jessica Albano (Webmaster), Beth Broyles (Newsletter Editor), Debora Cheney (Publications), Scott Collard (Membership & Orientation), Gloria Colvin (Higher Education), Cynthia Crosser (Psych/Psyh), Stephanie Davis-Kahl (2009 Program), Kathy Dobda (Instruction for Educators), Will Frost (ERIC Users), Cindy Judd (Curriculum Materials), Paula McMillen (Distinguished Librarian), Geoff Morse (Reference Sources), Laura Bowering Mullen (Psych/Psyh), Missy Murphey (Communication Studies), Kate Silfen (Social Work/ Social Welfare), Benita Strnad (CMC Directory), Helga Visscher (Research), Judy Walker (Information Literacy Ad Hoc)
Members excused: 
Guests: Amanda Hornby (EBSS Emerging Leader), Kate Zoellner (Instruction for Educators).

Minutes:
I. Introduction and Greetings:

D. Schaeffer (Chair) called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m., January 25, 2009, at the Colorado Convention Center. Introductions were made.
II. Approval of Agenda

V. Earp moved that the agenda be approved. P. Beile seconded the motion. The agenda was approved as written.

III. Approval of Minutes from Annual 2008

P. McMillen moved that the minutes be accepted. S. Davis-Kahl seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

IV. Announcements

- The social was very nice, approximately 30 people attended. D. Schaeffer thanked the membership committee for their work and reminded everyone that there will be a social in Chicago.

- The current topics were well attended. It seemed that most people attending wanted information and didn’t have much to contribute to the discussion. There was a lot of interest expressed in online learning/teaching. It was suggested that EBSS consider having smaller, separate rooms at Midwinter in Boston for Current Topics to alleviate the problems with set up and acoustics.

- Many members expressed their dissatisfaction with how the Hyatt Regency handled the clean up of meeting rooms.

- B. Strnad reported that the Curriculum Materials Directory is finished. There is some discussion with ACRL about the best way to publish the directory. It seems that ACRL is not interested in publishing it as a book. As a follow up D. Cheney mentioned that ACRL may not want to publish it because it won’t make a lot of money. She also mentioned that no matter what the item is or what format (print/electronic), ACRL has the first right of refusal on a committee publication. Committees should start thinking about other avenues to make information available.

- J. Albano is Co-Chair of the local arrangement committee for the ACRL National Conference. She needs approximately 20 people to host dinners with colleagues on Friday night.

- A. Hornby was introduced as the EBSS Emerging Leader. She gave a brief overview of the emerging leader activities at Midwinter and will write up an article about the program for the EBSS newsletter.

V. Officer Reports

a. Members-at-Large

The Members-at-Large gave an update on the Dutch Treat Dinner. There was a little concern that it didn’t fill up as fast as in the past. J. Walker mentioned that in the past it was limited to 10 people and this year the limit was 15.

b. Membership and Orientation
Our membership fell below 1,000. The committee is creating materials to recruit new members. It was mentioned that many people on the EBSS listserv are not EBSS members and perhaps the listserv could be used for recruitment. They are looking at creating an EBSS Facebook presence and possibly creating a survey to collect information from people who join/drop EBSS membership. They are also looking at making better connections with the New Members Round Table, and possibly creating a buddy system for new members.

a. Publications and Communications
D. Cheney asked that the agenda for Annual include time for the committee to give recommendations for electronic publications.

The committee thinks there is need for an associate web manager. They will ask the EBSS Executive Committee tomorrow to consider extending J. Albano’s term for an additional year to ensure a smooth transition. The two web terms of service would be staggered so there is some overlap.

b. Web Manager
J. Albano reported that this was a rocky year for the EBSS web page due to changes made to all ALA web sites. The CMS is up, but didn’t work for a long time and Jessica was locked out during this time period. She has been making changes that will expedite the updates. It takes a long time to work in CMS due to its slowness.

c. Listserv Moderator
J. Walker mentioned that the subscriber’s names can be pulled from the EBSS listserv and that information can be cross-referenced with our membership list.

d. Newsletter Editor
B. Broyles asked for information for the next issue of the Newsletter. She will report on the EBSS Emerging leader and give an update on the 2009 program in Chicago.

e. Secretary
V. Earp reminded the committee chairs to hand in their highlights as soon as possible. She will also send out the due date of the minutes once she receives it from ACRL.

f. Vice-Chair
L. Mestre is working on committee appointments and reappointments for next year. She has sent out an email to chairs requesting information on how many new members (both in person and virtual) were needed. She will send out another call for volunteers, as some committees had lots of volunteers while others had none. There has been a problem with ACRL volunteer form.

L. Mestre also reported on the 2010 program. The committee met this morning and did some brainstorming. They are thinking of doing a program on news literacy in the classroom. The program would deal with the movement from print to online newspapers and how electronic newspapers have impacted print. It would be a panel discussion that ties this into information literacy and instruction. Maybe have some libraries demonstrate how they incorporate this
into their instruction. It was pointed out that EBSS has never had a program that dealt with communications studies.

g. Past-Chair
   P. Beile has been updating the EBSS Manual. She had to clarify the language for the Distinguished Librarian Award Committee. After the EBSS Executive Committee votes on the change from by-laws to procedures she will make those changes to the Manual. The Members-At-Large duties were expanded to include handling the EBSS Dutch Treat Dinner. P. Belie proposed the creation of a new committee on scholarly communications in the disciplines. She will work on creating a charge and present it an Annual. J. Walker mentioned that EBSS might want to consider changing the section name to attract new people. For example the Instruction for Educators Committee is for all subject areas, not just education faculty.

h. Chair
   i. D. Schaeffer thanked M. J. Brustman who chaired 2009 Nominations Committee. The slate is as follows:
      1. Debora Cheney and Stephanie Davis-Kahl for Vice Chair
      2. Kate Silfen and Leroy LeFleur for Secretary
      3. Merrie Davidson and Dana Peterman for Member-At-Large.
   ii. Guidelines for Curriculum Materials Center draft was approved by the EBSS Publication Committee so it can go forward to the SAC board.
   iii. C. Wright and EBSS member from Penn State suggested a project, which would compare the content of each education database. This idea was tabled until Annual

II. Discussion items
   a. Conference attendance alternatives
   Many people are not able to attend this Midwinter due to personal or financial issues (no institutional support, traveling becoming more expensive, etc.). Virtual membership is a possibility, but according to ALA no more than 1/3 of a committee membership can be virtual. Some sections, such as LPSS, are experimenting with virtual meetings using special software or other technology for many of its committees. EBSS might want to look into this as an option. Cost is a factor!

Another issue brought into the discussion was virtual attendance at the conference. If people are virtual members and can’t come to Midwinter (or Annual) is there a way to include them in the face-to-face meetings? It was mentioned that for the conference it can cost in the neighborhood of $1,000 per room for wireless access in hotel meeting rooms.

The Vice Chair is experiencing some problems with obtaining commitments from members to serve as committee chairs. This has also been true with a few committee members. Some people are not able to attend two conferences in one fiscal year. It was asked if there were some way that EBSS could be more
flexible with the requirement of attending two in person meetings per year. The Chair reported that ACRL just dropped that requirement off the volunteer form. If the committee chairs want to expand virtual membership, the expectations of all committee members need to be communicated with the members. It was suggested that the Chair and Vice Chair need to mentor the incoming new chairs, so the work of the committees can continue. One reminder was again stated that EBSS meetings are all open, and that we need to keep that in mind if we decide to utilize teleconferencing in place of face-to-face meetings. One possibility may be ALA Connect (http://communitities.ala.org), which replaces the existing online communities service that ALA currently offers. This topic will be further discussed tomorrow at the Executive Committee.

b. Consolidated Meeting proposal
   Chair D. Schaeffer would like to try something different for our Consolidate Meeting. She has received comments from members that traveling for one 90 minute meeting is not cost effective and there is little time to work. She would like to suggest we try meeting from 8 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday. This new time slot would combine consolidated and membership. In 2010 ALA will change the conference to be much shorter, so there will not be too many opportunities to have a second meeting, but it is an option. It was felt that there was not adequate time to thoroughly discuss this matter in order to make a change for Annual 2009. This item will be further discussed at Advisory in Chicago.

c. Web managing
   An Associate Web Manager position has been proposed. Advisory thought this was a good idea. The matter will be discussed and voted on tomorrow at Executive.

   Will be discussed via email.

e. ILFA nominations
   Will be discussed via email.

III. Action Items
   None

IV. Other
   S. Davis-Kahl reported on the 2009 program.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Vanessa Earp (EBSS Secretary)

Committee Name: 2009 Program Planning Committee
Time and place convened: 10:30 a.m.
Name of person submitting minutes: Vanessa Earp
Members present: Stephanie Davis-Kahl (chair), Vanessa Earp, Catherine Haras, Deborah Schaeffer
Members excused: Bruce Stoffel  
Guests: Robert Labaree  

Minutes:  
Stephanie Davis-Kahl convened the meeting at 10:03 a.m. Introductions were made.  

1. Stephanie reported on her meeting with the Research Forum Committee about the poster session after the annual program.  
2. The committee discussed the details of the program.  
   a. Prior to conference  
      i. All the speaker contracts have been signed and returned (Penny Beile, Peter Hernon, and Robert Labaree).  
      ii. Program description due to ACRL by Jan. 28  
      iii. Photocopy requests are due to ACRL by May 1.  
   b. After conference  
      i. Stephanie will write thank you letters to the speakers  
      ii. Evaluation summaries are due to ACRL (Megan) by July 31.  
3. Action Items  
   a. Catherine will work on the program evaluation form.  
   b. Vanessa will investigate gifts for the speakers.  
   c. Bruce will work on creating a flyer for the event.  
   d. Stephanie and Catherine will ask the speakers for a top 10 rules for research that can be made into a bookmark.  
   e. On the day of the event  
      i. Committee will arrive 1 hour prior  
      ii. Need bottles of water for presenters  
      iii. Members-at-large will take photos  
      iv. Members-at-large will take a head count and distribute/collect evaluation forms.  
   f. Bruce will write up an event summary for College and Research Libraries News and the EBSS newsletter by July 24.  

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.
• **Review of Charge**

• **Overview of Conference Planning Process and Sample Timeline**

• **Notes from the ACRL Conference Planning Program.** Sally mentioned that cosponsoring is encouraged with other sections. The proposal is due May 1st. She shared some initial ideas from other sections, regulations regarding funding for speakers, and for outside vendors. The program needs to be tied to the ACRL strategic initiatives.

• **Brainstorming of Ideas for a Conference Program:** The group looked at past EBSS programs from 1968 to date, the abstracts of programs to presented this summer at ALA annual and current topic discussions presented. They then developed a list of possible ideas including:
  - Embedded librarianship (how librarians embed themselves physically and virtually into faculty environments—success stories and failures)
  - Tour of DC – communication studies group may sponsor this
  - Knowledge Commons: Hear from those who have created them and what they have learned. What changes resulted in their integration of digital and print collaboration and partnerships
  - Textbooks and changes in publishing (tie in with SPARC). Include info regarding what has happened to e-reserves, copyright, licensing, college bookstores hosting e-textbooks, rising costs of duplicating resources (library subscribes to a journal or book and faculty are paying for it to be included in their course packets.)
  - Death of print in 2010? Such as newspapers. What content is missing from online newspapers—include the world view and international newspaper aspects. What do we preserve, archived, searchable?
  - How is a newspaper made? So much is now online and newspapers rely on citizen journalists and people on the ground to provide commentary (blogging). What’s the librarian’s responsibility in this (abstracting, indexing, preserving)? What is truth now—what is authoritative information—the TV presentation rather than the blogging? Information literacy/instruction can play a large part in helping students to tease out the good and bad information. How do we juxtapose the media (blogs, videos) and what do students need to understand about news literacy for the research process? Could get a panel to explore news literacy.
  - Google Book Project—what does it mean for services and collecting in the social sciences, ILL...
  - How to get published in various venues and the considerations librarians might think about whether to publish in a print or online journal. Have publishers/editors of peer reviewed online and print journals discuss what they look for in articles and guidance they can give to librarians in the publishing process.
  - Running effective meetings—a follow-up on Lisa Romero’s action plan but could be a preconference/workshop. Could also include tips on being persuasive or to be a lobbyist. How to be an influential librarian.

• **Decisions**
  - The group decided to present a proposal for Issues in News Production Today. It will be a panel presentation with the title will be: “Extra Extra News Literacy in the Classroom”. The speakers will address such issues as: what is authoritative now (TV, blogs, print); how a newspaper is made (print versus online) and differences in content, process, timelines, journalists’ use of blogs, citizen journalists…. It will also include a conversation about the librarian’s responsibility related to news literacy but in abstracting, indexing and preserving online news information and in how students approach news literacy. It may include aspects of instruction such as “How am I...
incorporating these types of sources in my instruction? How are students looking at these sources critically? How do they determine if something is true? How do they juxtapose media, blogs, video etc. to create a news item? How do they tease out the good and bad information. We will try to find three panelists (a journalism educator from the DC area), a citizen journalist and a newer journalist (emerging) to compare and contrast examples of how sources differ (blogs, video clips...) and talk about the current state of news literacy and what they see librarian’s role to be.

- We will propose a second time slot for a follow-up session of librarians providing examples of how they teach news literacy in the classroom and how to build it into an instruction session (Application and Teaching session).
- Time slots: First choice for a program is Sat. 1:30-3:30 with the librarian session 3:30-5:30. Second choice would be Sunday at 10:30-12:00. Possible Strategic tie ins would be Issues, Collection Management and Digital Information.
- The program will cross over from communication studies to instruction, collection development, access and law and political studies.
- We will look for sponsors such as Newsbank, Lexi Nexis, Gale Historical Newspapers, Westlaw, Proquest, Alexander Street Press.

**Action Items**

- Sally will investigate what we can pay speakers (hotel, honorarium, travel, per diem..)
- Lori and Sally will draft the 75 word proposal for the program proposal and the connections to the strategic initiatives and send it back to the group to wordsmith by Feb. 1. Sally will then send it around to possible sections to see if there might be overlapping ideas or possible collaboration with other sections.
- Sally will verify whether or not there is an additional fuller form that we need to complete by May 1st or if it is just the one page form.
- Each member of the group will e-mail ideas for panel speakers, contact information and vendor sponsors.
- Sally and Lori will keep the group apprised of deadlines and tasks.

**Committee Name:** Communication Studies

**Time and place convened:** 10:30am

**Name of person submitting minutes:** Amanda Hornby

**Members present:** Kate Adams, Cathy Michael, Jessica Alverson, Tasha Cooper, Missy Murphey, Sally Neal, Amanda Hornby

**Members excused:**

**Guests:** Sharon Black, Rosemary Franklin

**Minutes:**

Meeting convened at 10:30am by Chair Missy Murphey

**Announcements:**
• The Committee announced different ALA Midwinter events of interest to the group. Cathy invited the group to an upcoming event at Annual in Chicago, the ALA Alternative Media group’s buffet, held at Annual on Monday. Cathy will send out information to the Communication librarians listserv.

• Tasha is on the EBSS Annual 2010 Planning Committee, so send any programming ideas to Tasha via email.

Review of IL in the Disciplines Timeline:

• The group reviewed the IL standards tipsheet.

• Tipsheet item 4 discussion: The Committee will submit the IL journalism standards for approval to disciplinary faculty and journalism organizations, including SPJ, AEJMC, NCA, etc. Action item: Cathy will submit the standards to NAMLE.

• Publication timeline discussion: After faculty and organization input, then we can submit the standards to Communication/Journalism listservs for peer input, and then the IL Advisory Committee. EBSS Publications Committee can look at the standards for review, but we can send the standards to listservs first.

• Judy Walker, Chair of the EBSS IL Steering Committee, recommended that we create a “read-only” webpage from our wiki that can be sent out to listservs. We can also link it to from the IL Steering Committee wiki.

• IL in the Disciplines Checklist discussion: We have completed checklist items 1-6 and are currently on item 7: draft document and submit to ACRL unit. Which ACRL unit should we submit it to? Christy Stevens (our IL consultant) recommended the EBSS Executive Committee; Judy Walker recommends the ACRL IL Advisory Committee. Action item: Missy will confirm to which ACRL unit we should submit our draft document.

IL Document Discussion:

• The group discussed our group edits to the IL standards.

• Introduction discussion: Amanda edited the introduction, per group suggestions and Christy Steven’s comments. We discussed the need to have two introductions, one for ACRL and one for professionals/journalism organizations/faculty, etc. The group agreed that we should keep the intro short and customize the intro to our audience as necessary.

• Examples in the discipline discussion: The group thought that we should have more “media literacy” examples, including visual and data literacy, in addition to the existing public policy reporting examples. Action item: Amanda will integrate more media literacy examples into the standards.

• Format discussion: The group agreed that we should format the final standards into a rubric, similar to the LPSS standards, http://wikis.ala.org/acrl/index.php/LPSS.

• Group brainstorming session: We brainstormed new categories for the five standards that are less library-jargon and more targeted to our audience. The new categories are:
  o Standard One: Plan
  o Standard Two: Find
  o Standard Three: Evaluate for Accuracy and Fairness
  o Standard Four: Draft/Create
  o Standard Five: Ethics
Action items: The group needs to input new edits into the wiki that include new examples, the new standard names, etc.

EBSS Current Topics session discussion:

- Cathy and Missy will attend the EBSS current topics discussion about IL standards in the disciplines. Action item: Cathy and Missy will share the results of the discussion with Committee Members who could not attend.

Chair or Co-Chair needed for Communication Studies Committee:

- Contact Missy if a Committee member is interested in Chairing or Co-Chairing the Committee next year. Jessica indicated that she would be interested in being Co-Chair.

Time adjourned: 12pm.

Summary

No motions

Action Items (See above for context):

- Cathy will submit the draft IL standards document to NAMLE.
- Missy will confirm to which ACRL unit we should submit our draft IL standards document.
- Amanda will integrate more media literacy examples into the standards.
- The group needs to input new edits into the wiki that include new examples, the new standard names, etc. Each Committee member is responsible for one or two standards.
- Cathy and Missy will share the results of the Current Topics discussion with Committee Members who could not attend.
Members excused: Sara Seely
Guests: Carol Lunce, Indiana State University, Evelyn Day, Southern Methodist University

Minutes:

I. Current projects

a. Guidelines for curriculum materials center-SAC committee
SAC-standards and accreditation
Submitted copies of draft to all the required location, on listserv, website, C&RL news, etc.
   i. Some typographical mistakes, not much change, just a revision
   ii. Not much feedback received; Cindy shared what she got over email to group and some at meeting today
   iii. Final draft was approved by Julie Miller, and then forward to Bill Nelson, outgoing chair of Standards and Accreditation Committee
   iv. Must invest Cindy Judd with power to make decisions before meeting
   v. SAC meeting tomorrow-only paper up for change
      1. Evaluate for content and grammar mainly
      2. SAC committee will make final recommendation
   vi. Page 4 change headings, not underlined, distance learning, outreach and production, still stay under Services
   vii. Some further discussion about producing the document and the purpose, which is a Guideline document, not a standard that will apply to all.

b. Webliography [http://www.ala.org/ala/acrlbucket/ebss2/cimc/cimc.htm]
   i. Review of section assignments and reminder to update sections.
      Julie-Checked yesterday, no unclaimed sections
      No dates on when were updated-
      Ask Jessica Albano jalbano@u.washington.edu to update
      Update page assignments
      Yvonne-Associations and Organizations
      Dorothy-Educational Foundations & General Education
      Vanessa-Children & Young Adult Literature

Cindy will try to find out what has been decided and if there is any list of updated persons responsible for a section.

Is there Digital Content covered? Is this webliography still relevant? Should there be updates?

What is the purpose? Is it tied to national standards?

Assessment or Reassessment?

Possibly a topic for this afternoon Reference Online?

Hits to the website? What are the statistics? Try to get from ACRL
Summary

**Motions:** Cindy was given authority to approve changes that the SACS committee recommended in the upcoming meeting so long as those changes did not alter the overall meaning of the document. Any major changes would come back to the committee for approval.

**Action Items:**
1. Update webliography—discuss best way to address that in a dynamic manner
2. Gather statistics about current webliography traffic
3. Have committee members explore alternatives to current webliography format

Committee Name: EBSS Distinguished Education and Behavioral Sciences Librarian Award

**Time and place convened:** The committee was convened at 8 am on Sunday, Jan. 25, 2009 by the chair, Paula McMillen.

**Name of person submitting minutes:** Paula McMillen, Chair

**Members present:** Judy Walker, Kathy Dibda

**Members excused:** Debora Cheney (mtg. conflict, sent evaluations by e-mail), Julie Cunningham (absent with no communication)

**Guests:** closed meeting

**Minutes:**

**Agenda:**

1. Discussion and selection of 2009 Award recipient.
   a. Nomination materials and evaluation rubric had been sent to committee members prior to meeting.
   b. Discussion around the top candidates raised the issue of whether or not this was intended to be an award for achievements over a sustained career. Suggestion was made to add this as a criterion and to ask Executive Council to consider another award for new
2. Reminder to maintain confidentiality re decision of committee until published by ACRL

3. Review of recruitment strategies
   a. It was noted that the majority of previous winners (and nominees) had all been education librarians
   b. Some discussion about expanding recruitment to other behavioral sciences librarian lists and emphasizing that the award was open to behavioral sciences librarians in future recruitment statements

4. Choose new committee chair – Judy Walker agreed to be incoming chair

5. New business?—none

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 am

Pre-Annual Action items:

- Notification of ACRL Awards coordinator (McMillen)
- Notification of award recipient during or immediately after Midwinter meeting (McMillen)
- Notification of nominators of unsuccessful candidates (McMillen)
- Coordinate activities with ACRL, John Wiley and EBSS for presentation at Annual (McMillen)
- ACRL Media Profile form for publicity--by Jan 27, 2009 (McMillen)
- Preparation of award certificate and purchase of frame (Cheney and McMillen)
- Write committee’s midwinter meeting highlights and minutes (McMillen)
- Take recommendation for new criteria and new committee to Exec. Cttee. (Walker and McMillen)

Post-Annual Action items:

- Thank you letter to Deborah Wiley at Wiley and Sons for sponsorship (McMillen)
1) Introductions

a) Introduction of members and guests

2) Announcements

a) There was no ASCUS session since the presenter, Barry Eisenberg, was delayed in NY.

b) Natasha received a request to co-sponsor a program with ALCTS (Association for Library Collections and Technical Services) at ALA Annual 2009 entitled, “Collecting for Digital Repositories: New Ways to Disseminate and Share Information.”

c) The EBSS program planning committee is looking at a program on all aspects of newspapers: production, reporting, news literacy, etc. Since ALA Annual will be in Washington D.C. in 2010, the committee is trying to take advantage of the resources located there including a speaker and tour. Any suggestions should be sent to Natasha.

d) Natasha passed along a suggestion that the committee consider examining usage data from different Communication databases and the interpretation of those statistics.

3) New Business

a) Discussion of the future direction of the committee. Discussed options for moving the Library Resources for Communication Studies (LRCS) webpage to the ALA site. The other option is to have the site hosted somewhere else but there would be maintenance issues. The committee is responsible for updating the content and is looking for a newer member to be a website editor. The EBSS publications committee will decide whether members can directly update the site rather than submitting changes to the EBSS webmaster. The chair is looking at different possibilities for a platform including content management systems, blogs and wikis. The goal is to accomplish this between Midwinter and Annual.

b) Subcommittee meetings - breakout sessions

i) Communication Subcommittee -
   (1) Decided to change at change the name to Association and Vendor Relations subcommittee.
   (2) Decided to continue inviting vendors to our meetings to provide us with updates.
   (3) Discussed the possibility of establishing a formal liaison with professional organization such as NCA through ACRL’s Council of Liaisons. Any ERCS members that are interested should let the Chair know.
   (4) Cathy talked about new products from vendors such as EBSCOhost’s integrated search and new materials from Alexander Street Press. ACTION: to post new product alerts and other relevant ALA sessions attended (ex. The ACRL Media Discussion Group) to COMLIB

ii) Evaluation and Assessment
   (1) There is a spreadsheet on the LRCS. website that examines the three major indices. (See “Selecting & Evaluating Communication-Related Databases / Journal Coverage”). They are currently conducting a close examination of 4 decades of print table of contents for quality. ACTION: This analysis will be completed by Annual.
   (2) The committee talked about next steps and doing a similar project with newspapers. ACTION: By the annual conference, they’ll review the criteria (outlined in on the website
Scholarly Communication

(1) No word yet from JSTOR regarding letter and petitions sent to get approximately 18 journals archived. ACTION: Lisa will be sending an e-mail to make sure it is still being pursued by JSTOR.

(2) Victoria Reich and/or one of her colleagues from LOCKSS and CLOCKSS will be coming to talk about issues during meeting at Annual.

(3) Discussed the draft document, “Scholarly, Institutional, Disciplinary Repositories and Open Access Resources” that will appear on the L.R.C.S. webpage. ACTION: Will send out an email to COMLIB to locate additional institutional repositories. Also discussed whether digital collections should be listed with the Scholarly and Institutional Repositories and open access resources. It was decided that digital collections should be a separate list.

(4) Also considered giving LOCKSS and CLOCKSS its own page or creating a digital preservation page that would include CLOCKSS information.

Website. Discussion of web page editing. We need to recruit someone who can update the Communication Science and Disorder page amongst other subject area pages. Lisa gave history of the Website Subcommittee and its editing mission. There is a subcommittee document that lists the information of what needs to be submitted and how to evaluate resources. There is also a document that lists the criteria and a time frame for every subject guide. If a member wants to update a page he or she should contact Cathy. She will go through the process with you and contact the Website Subcommittee. ACTION: Lisa will email the committee listserv with the documents outlining the guidelines for updating the website. Committee members should consider volunteering for editing web pages.

Meeting adjourned at 3:32pm
Time and place convened. Saturday, January 24, 2009; 10:30am - 12:00pm, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Centennial F/G Room (Part of the EBSS Consolidated Meeting)

1. Introductions. Committee members and guests introduced themselves.

2. Announcement. Lesley Farmer noted that the Special Libraries Association Education Division journal, *Education Libraries* will publish an issue on the theme of education libraries in the spring. Deadline for submissions is February 1. Wil Frost informed the group that he is looking for a member interested in becoming chair of the committee after Annual in July.

3. Approval of Annual 2008 Minutes. Minutes were approved.

4. Update by CSC ERIC project representatives. Larry Henry and Pete Dakutis updated the group on the ERIC Database and official government website.

   A request for proposals (RFP) for technical work for ERIC will be forthcoming; a draft version of the scope of work is available from the Federal Business Opportunities website.

   More journal and non-journal sources have been added to ERIC; about 1,500 sources total are included. Record production has risen 15% since summer, and updates occur daily Tuesday through Friday.

   Web features have been updated significantly: e.g. tutorials, links to libraries (which is highly used). The website is 508 accessibility compliant although the contributed documents might not be as accessible.

   The digitization project has progressed, including copyright clearance. The National Library of Education will provide ILL for those items that ERIC cannot supply directly. ERIC is committed to permanent access to sources.

   For more information, see the Highlights of the ERIC Users Forum.

   Following the update, the group discussed vendors who provide access to the ERIC Database. About 13 exist, some of which are commercial. CSC will find out if they can tell the committee the names of the vendors. CSA allows users to search the abstract; the official government website version does not. EBSCO has more links to ERIC rather than full text.

5. ERIC Users Forum. Committee members volunteered to take notes of the ERIC Users Forum to be held on Sunday, January 25.

6. Data sets in ERIC. Wil Frost presented information submitted by Barbara Alderman, virtual member concerning data sets in the ERIC Database. Besides data sets, other types of possible sources were suggested that are not in the present scope of work for the database: records for repositories and learning objects, and author citation tracking. It was mentioned that EBSS Library Research Forum wants to discuss educational data sets and their use at the 2010 annual conference.
7. Theses and dissertations in ERIC. The committee discussed issues related to providing records and access to these materials: author and university rights, storage (e.g., university repositories) and participation in ProQuest’s database, longevity of documents, differences between master and doctorate policies, contact persons about policies and procedures. The committee will develop, and seek approval for, a survey to disseminate to EBSS members to find out how local entities are handling these documents, and if they will contribute information to ERIC.

8. Association publications in ERIC. The committee will compile a list of associations whose publications members think should be included in ERIC and ask National Library of Education to confirm the status of each as a source.

9. ERIC Users Forum for ALA Annual in Chicago. The committee will have a panel of experts, e.g., education deans and researchers, talk about changes in research and implications for ERIC services. Sarah Beasley compiled a list of education schools in the Chicago area that will be used as planning proceeds.

11. Other topics. It was suggested that all education grants that use public/taxpayer funding should submit their work to ERIC, similar to the arrangement for NIH grant funded projects. Such a policy might be promoted by the committee.

Time adjourned. The committee reported highlights of its discussion to the other EBSS committees, and adjourned at Noon.

Summary of Action Steps

Action items:

1. Organize a panel discussion on changes in educational research methods and information needs for the ERIC User Forum at Annual in July 2009.

2. Compile a list of associations whose publications should be indexed in the ERIC Database.

3. Develop a survey to disseminate to EBSS members to find out how colleges and universities are handling access to dissertations and theses and whether they will contribute information to the ERIC Database.

Committee Name:  ERIC Users Forum
Time and place convened:  Sunday, January 25, 2009 Colorado Convention Center 301
Highlights:
Wil Frost, Chair of the ERIC Users Committee, presided and welcomed the audience, introduced the ERIC Users Committee members in attendance, and introduced representatives of the ERIC CSC Project Team: Larry Henry, Project Manager and Pete Dagutis, Deputy Project Manager.

**ERIC Update**

The ERIC update presented by the panel included these topics:

1. **Content and Processing**
2. **Digitization Project**
3. **Website Update**

1. **Content and Processing**

As of December 31, 2008 there are 1,605 sources under agreement, including 718 non-journal sources and 887 journal titles, 91% of which are indexed comprehensively.

The number of records released in 2008 was 42,315 records, representing a 15% increase over 2007. From 2005-2008, about 127,000 new records were added to the database. 100 new agreements were executed in 2008.

Currently, materials are processed in 30 days or less; new content is added to the official government database four times a week. ERIC licensors receive monthly updates (new and changed records).

The ERIC teams continues to fill the gap in 2002-2003 content that occurred during the last transition period between contractors.

There was a minor thesaurus update in 2008; the website has details about thesaurus review.

2. **Digitization Project**

Continued the work to convert the 1966-1992 ERIC microfiche to TIFF and PDF files and obtain explicit permissions to release materials by the March 2009 contract deadline. Scanning of all fiche was completed as of December 31, 2008; verification is in progress. Slightly more than 191,000 full-text documents have been made available through the digitization project. The ERIC CSC team is delivering the TIFF and PDF files to the National Library of Education (NLE) in 2009. Those documents for which authorizations were not obtained and which are not considered in the public domain will be available from NLE via interlibrary loan.
(3) Website Update

Changes in 2008 included an upgraded interface with RSS features, related item search, citation export enhancement; downloadable list of journals that is updated quarterly; more robust help features including context-sensitive, search, and index help, zero results suggestions, Flash tutorials, and a glossary of terms; and new information for publishers, authors, librarians, and licensors.

Questions

Is there a need for a PDF version of the ERIC thesaurus? Several attendees thought it would be useful for library educators or technical service staff.

Are records and documents available sooner at the www.eric.ed.gov site than at licensor (partner) sites? Yes.

Will there be a new gap in coverage during the transition between contractors in 2009? The CSC ERIC team thought that NLE will do what is necessary to avoid such a gap.

What can we do to help increase the number of permissions to make ERIC documents available? Librarians can encourage authors and associations to contact ERIC. It is often difficult to find the right people in state governments who can give permissions. Most individuals seems to be happy to give permission once they are located.

Are usage statistics available? The ERIC team has this information but does not publish it.

User comment: setting up RSS feed is very simple and fast.

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Committee Name: Higher Education
Time and place convened: January 24, 2009
Name of person submitting minutes: Vanessa Earp
Members present: Gloria Colvin (chair), Vanessa Earp, Jeannie Kamerman, Susan Kendall
Members Excused: Sarah Beasley, Jeris Cassel, Diane Schrecker, Urmila Sharma
Guests: None

Minutes: Gloria Colvin convened the meeting at 10:32 a.m. Introductions were made.

1. Minutes from the 2008 Annual meeting in Anaheim were passed.

2. The committee discussed resources that could assist faculty with promotion and tenure, such as the Journal Citation Reports. Gloria distributed a handout she created with different resources on it to help faculty. Resources included tools for performing cited reference searching, evaluating/ranking journals, and searching for book holdings.
3. The committee reviewed the Resource guide for Librarians Services Higher Education. We went over the wiki address and different sections.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55a.m.

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**Committee Name:** Information Literacy Steering Committee (Ad Hoc)

**Time and place convened:**

**Meeting Highlights:**

**Name of person submitting minutes:**

**Members present:**

**Members excused:**

**Guests:**

**Minutes:**

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**Committee Name:** Instruction for Educators

**Time and place convened:** January 25, 2009

**Meeting Highlights:**

**Major Topics of Discussion:**

1. New co-chairs for 2009-2010

2. Process issues
   
   a. How to proceed with work when budget cuts make it impossible for many committee members to attend two conferences a year.

3. Information Literacy Standards for Educators
   
   a. Progress
   b. What still needs to be done

**Major Decisions**

- Establish norms for communicating by email and teleconferencing: Everyone needs to respond to entire committee with emails, decisions will be made based on who responds.
- Develop matrix comparing different approaches to standards document: Committee will decide quickly on which version will structure final draft of standards document.
- Develop tight timeline for finishing final draft.
- Goal is to finish final draft before ALA Annual.

Name of person submitting minutes:
Members present: Kathy Dobda, Kate Corby, Alison Graber, Elisa Slater, and Vicki Miller
Members Excused:
Guests:

Minutes:

1. Chair Laura Ramirez began the meeting with a welcome and introductions.

2. Nancy O’Brien volunteered to take minutes. The minutes of the June 2008 meeting were approved with one minor typographical correction.

3. A discussion of current membership statistics and ways to increase membership was held. The membership census is based on the August data each year, which is reported in October. D. Persson asked if EBSS received notification of lapsed EBSS members. L. Ramirez indicated that notification of lapsed, new, and renewing members was sent to EBSS. She then shared letters that were typically sent to individuals in each case. Scott Collard will work on revising the letters to make them much briefer.

It was agreed that representation of EBSS at the upcoming ACRL national conference would be helpful. Due to cuts in travel funding at many institutions, few of the committee members were planning to attend. A representative from EBSS will be solicited from within the committee first and, if necessary, from the broader EBSS membership to attend the First-Time Attendee Orientation program at the ACRL conference in Seattle on Thursday, March 12th, from 2 to 3:30 pm in Sheraton Room A/B. Brochures and other relevant material will
be provided for that event. It was also suggested that EBSS might consider hosting a social event at the ACRL conference if someone was available to coordinate the event on-site. Any EBSS social events held at conferences should be cross-posted on other ACRL listservs when possible.

EBSS Chair Deborah Schaeffer attended part of the committee meeting and the discussion included the following:

- **A proposal for an informal buddy/mentoring system.** This would match new members with veteran members and would mostly involve email interactions with the option of in-person interactions at conferences. One possibility would be to provide a few sample email messages for the veteran member to assist them in initiating the contact. Such messages might address what to expect at a conference, what type of attire is typically worn, how to work through the exhibits, and so on. There was a lot of interest in possibly sponsoring an EBSS session on “doing” the exhibits, which would entail having one or two veteran members taking a group through the exhibit hall and suggesting effective ways to meet vendors, and make productive use of time spent at the exhibits. The committee expressed interest in piloting a buddy system at the annual ALA conference to be held in Chicago in July 2009.

- **A suggestion that EBSS have a Facebook presence.** This was discussed briefly and positively.

- **A recommendation that EBSS develop a video for YouTube or the EBSS Web site.** The video would focus on the benefits of EBSS membership and feature librarians new to the section or possibly veteran members. N. O’Brien suggested that incoming chair Lori Mestre be contacted about possibly developing a video at the annual conference. Lori has experience in creating digital videos and will be able to get equipment to the Chicago conference easily due to proximity.

- **Ways in which to encourage people to select EBSS as their second ACRL section.** Since membership in ACRL includes two free sections, ideas to get people to select EBSS as their second choice need to be explored. In addition, the cost of adding a section to an existing ACRL membership is only $5, so that should be promoted as well. As part of that promotion, EBSS should emphasize the interdisciplinary nature of its work and the benefits of being a member. As libraries nationwide are consolidating subject areas into fewer locations, EBSS and its interdisciplinarity is becoming more relevant. Also, since not all members of the EBSS listserv are EBSS members, the advantages of EBSS membership should be periodically marketed on EBSS-L.

- **A need to correct the EBSS brochure.** It was pointed out that a section of the EBSS brochure needs to be corrected to eliminate some text intended as directions to the brochure editor. This will be discussed with members of the EBSS Executive Committee and Adam Burling at ACRL to verify the process.

- **A survey of new and lapsed EBSS members.** This survey will help to provide data on why people join EBSS and the reasons they leave EBSS. Electronic survey methods were discussed as was the need to keep a survey brief and relevant. Dottie Persson volunteered to work on a survey.
The meeting adjourned at 11:45 in order to move into the EBSS Membership meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy O'Brien

Committee Name: Nominating

Meeting Highlights:

Name of person submitting minutes:
Members present:
Members excused:
Guests:

Minutes:

The EBSS Nominating 2009 Committee has completed its work.
The following slate of candidates has been sent to ACRL:

Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect - 3 year commitment for Vice-Chair,
Chair, Past Chair
1. Debora Cheney
2. Stephanie Davis-Kahl

Secretary - 2 year term
1. Kate Silfen
2. LeRoy LaFleur

Member-at-Large - 2 year term
1. Merrie Davidson
2. Dana Peterman

Committee Name: Online Learning Research

Time and place convened: Saturday January 24 10:30-12:00 Hyatt Regency Denver Centennial F/G

Name of person submitting minutes: Lori Mestre

Members present: Lisa Baures, Corinne Bishop, Beth Broyles, Lori Mestre, Mona Anne Niedbala, Alice
Members excused: Jim Blansett, Sarah Cantrell, Cindy Judd, Johan Oberg

Guests:

Minutes:

Agenda Item Minutes: [use your meeting agenda to outline discussion/activities]

Agenda:

- Introductions were made
- Minutes from Annual 2008 were approved
- Toolkit Update and Discussion of Next Phase
  - Most members had completed their section of the Toolkit wiki (contributions).
  - Lori converted most of the wiki to web pages for formatting and other features available
  - The group looked at the organization of the categories for the website and discussed alternate headings. We decided that the scope of the site is to answer the questions: What do we manage online (course management systems)? And how do we do it (tools)? The third area we wanted to cover was networking and collaboration tools.
  - The new headings will be: Course/Content Management; Pedagogy/Design; Networking/Collaboration; Learning Materials/Objects and Bibliography.
  - Lori will reorganize the site putting the headings on top (tabs). She will also provide subcategories agreed to within each page
  - Lisa will send various evaluation rubrics she has access to (possibly the MERLOT rubric).
  - Once the site is redesigned Lori will send it back around for further comment.
- Survey Results and Discussion of Writing an Article for Publication
  - The survey was disseminated to several listservs with 92 submissions
  - Lori compiled the responses and provided a handout of the responses.
  - All members agreed to look at the information and pull out interesting information and surprises (especially from the section of “what they want to know”).
  - Alice will collate the open ended response into categories (Lori will send the original to her)
  - The group will draft an article based on the best practices on creating learning objects.
- Timeline to Complete Tasks
  - The goal for revisions for the Toolkit web site is April 30th.
  - The goal for the survey analysis is March 30th and discussion to then take place for the article
- Communication Mechanisms for the Committee
  - The group will communicate via e-mail during the revision part of the work
  - Lori will look into ALA connect for some of our work and will investigate using web (or phone) conferencing options so we can all connect together in May to discuss next steps.
- News to Share: Lori, Corinne and Mona will be facilitating an Current Topic Discussion in the afternoon on “Facilitating Discussions as an Online Instructor”. They are also waiting to hear if their Roundtable proposal for ACRL on the same topic has been accepted.

Adjournment 12:00
Committee Name: Psychology / Psychiatry

Time and place convened: Saturday, January 24, 2009 8-10 a.m. Colorado Convention Center Room 208

Name of person submitting minutes: Laura Bowering Mullen; minutes recorded by Sherri Michaels

Members present: Evelyn Day, Carol Lunce, Paula McMillen, Laura Bowering Mullen (Co-Chair), Robin Paynter, Diana Ramirez, Jill Woolums,

Virtual Member: Laurel Haycock

Members excused: Cynthia Crosser (Co-Chair)

Guests: Linda Beebe (APA), Merrie Davidson, Karen A. Hartman, Susan Hillson (APA) Sherri Michaels (recorder), Molly Strothmann, Judy Walker

Minutes:
ACRL EBSS Psychology/Psychiatry Meeting

ALA Midwinter Meeting, Saturday January 24, 2009 8-10 a.m. Colorado Convention Center Rm. 708

Convenor: Laura Bowering Mullen (Co-Chair)

Recorder: Sherri Michaels

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. PsycINFO Presentation
   Susan Hillson and Linda Beebe came to discuss updates and future plans for PsycINFO.

3. Updates on current projects:
   a. Information Literacy Standards
      Evelyn Day of Information Literacy Task Force gave an update to that group’s progress. In the last six months, the group has completed a literature review that was begun earlier and created an initial draft of the standards. The group also created a survey and sent it to the APA Teachers listserv, the EBSS list, and to a few Psychology faculty members. Still to do is to send the draft of the standards to APA Teachers Committee to get comments, incorporate the survey results into the standards draft, and send to EBSS for comment and final approval. The group will hopefully be finished in the next six months. The final outcome will be to have these standards published on the EBSS website.

   Some discussion about this report followed and the following questions were raised: Has anyone collected any statistics or data on how many programs require these information literacy skills? (No one present had and this info would be difficult to gather).
Will APA give endorsement of the standards when they are finished? The Sociology standards were endorsed by the ASA. Could Linda or Susan help identify how to get these endorsed? Is ASA considering making it part of their accreditation review? It was also suggested that these standards be published in the journal Teaching of Psychology. Laura and Evelyn will pursue the answers to these questions to see if it would be possible to get an APA endorsement and how.

b. Core Journals List
The core journals list on the EBSS website was last updated in 2007. The core list is used for collection development and collection analysis purposes and needs to be updated. The list is not ranked in any way. Last year, a group of people worked on identifying criteria that are used to create this list. These criteria will likely be a major topic of discussion at our next meeting. We need to discuss new ways of looking at the list and how to factor in new publishing models, etc.

A group of people will be presenting on the topic of core journal selection at ACRL. The presentation will be a panel presentation. One panelist will present on creating a core journal list from a grass-roots, faculty perspective, another will discuss more of a top-down approach to creating a core list, and a third will discuss looking at new metrics beyond the impact factor to determine a core list.

Discussion about the core list included questions such as is a core list still relevant, and how do we put it out there? Core from whose perspective? Is it possible to create a database type structure for maintaining the list? The criteria themselves were also discussed. The first criterion is based on a 1993 bibliography, which is obviously now getting out of date. The second factor is Journal Citation Reports where the impact factors are reported. The practice has been to take the last year’s impact factor, but this fluctuates so it might be better to average the last five years. Worldcat holdings are the third criterion with 500 or more libraries holding a title being a factor. Multiple ISSN’s is an issue for this as is multiple formats. Also, Worldcat holdings are a snapshot of who holds what title, not necessarily who has a current subscription. Many of these questions will be discussed at the ACRL presentation, and criteria discussion will be brought up again at the ALA Annual meeting of this group.

4. Discussion of Collection Development in Psychology
Discussion was based on an article: McCutcheon, Camille. “Notes from the Field: Best Practices for Psychology Collection Management” Against the Grain. September 2008, 58-61.

The article presents the result of a survey of 64 librarians and discusses best practices for assessing book collections.
It was suggested that this would be a great topic of discussion for an ALA discussion forum. We need to come up with some standards to base the assessment on. The assessment needs to include approval plans as well. Laura will contact the author of the article to see if she’s like to participate in this discussion. Discussion forums need to be planned well in advance, so this would likely be a Summer 2010 program.

The last program brought the following evaluation responses: Liked the practical nature of the program, there was interest in more promotion and tenure issues, there was not enough time for discussion, and people liked the variety of perspectives particularly the publisher perspective. These comments will be taken into account when planning the next discussion forum.

Other topics brought up for either a discussion forum or for discussion just within this group were the impact of approval plans on collection development, various aspects of Ebooks and collection management, and the need for collection managers to push for favorable licensing terms like COUNTER compliance, ILL usage, and archival rights.

5. EBSS Website
There is no current person in charge of keeping it updated. Laura will ask Sally about the history of the web site and discuss how to keep it current.

6. Name of the Committee
There was discussion about Psychiatry in the name of this committee. Psychiatry implies more of a medical focus. Is Psychiatry part of our mission or does it detract interested people? Doesn’t Psychology in its broadest sense include Psychiatry? Laura will take a proposal forward to have Psychiatry dropped from the name of the committee.

Adjournment: 10 a.m.

Comments from Laura for the Committee:

Voting results: Committee members and guests discussed and voted to try to remove “Psychiatry” from the committee name. Having the name “Psychiatry” is not representative of the work of the committee, and is a medical term (better served by MLA). How do we bring this forward?

Committee would like to pursue a discussion forum of some type at an annual meeting based around collections development and assessment of book collections (see above). Laura will find out about timing, and contact the author of the article we used for discussion at the meeting.

Information Literacy Standards are being completed. Cynthia Crosser and Evelyn Day are working on this. Cynthia attended the Midwinter meeting of the EBSS information literacy committee.

The committee has as a major focus the “core journals list” and development of best practices to update the list last compiled by Bruce Stoffel. A task force will be reformed to work on the list after criteria have been further discussed.
Committee Name: Publications & Communications

Time and place convened: January 30, 2009 8:00-10 a.m. Regency, Marble room

Meeting Highlights:

Name of person submitting minutes: Debora Cheney

Members present: Jessica Albano (Website Manager), Beth Broyles (Newsletter Editor), Jill Woolums, Joe Weber, Doug Cook, Barbarella Frazier

Members excused:

Guests:

Minutes:


2. Review role of the EBSS website manager in maintaining EBSS publications and web presence and recommendation for replacement to be made to Advisory January 2008 Executive Meeting.

3. Discussion of Jessica Albano’s resignation (effective after Annual 2009 meeting) as Web manager. Recommendation to Executive Committee to request Jessica Albano stay for an additional as the Web manager position, until the Associate Web Manager position can be filled and trained.

Action Items:

- Finalize posting and advertising of the Associate Web Manager position for recommendation and approval at Chicago meetings.

- Complete recommendations and related procedures for Digital Publications/Projects developed by EBSS Committees.

To be completed:

- EBSS Sponsored Web Publications/projects Approval Process—Jill Woolums
- Digital Project Form—Barbarella Frazier
- EBSS Publications and Communications Charge (revised)—Joe Weber

Timeline for completion:

Revise and complete and distribute to committee members each of the above documents by June 30, 2009 for final distribution to Executive Committee prior to ALA meeting in Chicago.
Committee Name: Reference Sources and Services
Time and place convened: January 24, 2009 Hyatt Regency Denver Centennial F/G 10:30am – 12:00 pm

Name of person submitting minutes:
Members present: Wendy Mann, Pam Were, Monique Andrews, Adis Beesting (attending another committee meeting at the same time but checked in at the beginning and end), Geoffrey Morse
Members excused: Laverne Grey, Marija Freeland
Guests: Jill Woolums

Minutes:
Summary:

Institutional Rankings Project:

Geoff reviewed the status of the Institutional rankings project. The goal of this project was to provide some background on an area that academic librarians are commonly asked about. It was decided that the committee would continue with this project that would focus on specific ranking systems and the impact the have on student’s choice of institution. This project was divided up into three sections, an introduction, a section on specific rankings, and a section of choice of institution. Preciously the group had proposed a section on criteria but it was decided that this section can be folded into the rankings section. Work on the sections is to be divided up as follows:

   Introduction: Pam and Geoff

   Rankings (including specialized rankings): Wendy and Monique

   Choice of Institution: Geoff

This project is also something the group thought may be proposed for an article in C&RL News.

Maintenance of Statistics Wiki:

Wendy brought to the committee's attention that the current platform the Statistics wiki is on has a rather unprofessional look, particularly in the advertisements that are included on the platform (Geoff concurs with this assessment after reviewing the wiki!).

Wendy offered to move the wiki to a new platform. A member of the EBSS publications committee and guest at the meeting, Jill Woolums, offered to update the committee on any new publication standards that EBSS was going to initiate. Geoff will verify what, if any, new requirements there are and then work can start on moving the content to a new platform such as Google pages or something else yet to be determined.

Other Projects:
It was decided that the other pending project the committee had been working on, looking at information and resources for faculty who are going up for tenure and promotion, should be set aside for the time being so committee members can concentrate on the institutional rankings project.

**Discussion of projects individual members have been working on:**

The group discussed the use of IM reference at their respective institutions. Two people reported that they were using Meebo, one was using Library H3lp and one was not currently using IM reference but their institution was considering using Question Point as part of a consortium.

There was some discussion of the general satisfaction with LibGuides from those currently using them.

Monique reported on the successful re-design of the reference department in her library at Wayne State University. This project included moving a large portion of the reference collection into the general stacks and adding computers and student workspace.

Discussion also focused on the use and promotion of electronic reference materials. There was some discussion of Gale’s not including 100% of the material online that is included in the paper form of materials in the LCO collection.

Discussion also covered the use of Credo Reference and Reference Universe.

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**Committee Name:** Research Committee  
**Time and place convened:** January 24, 2009  
**Name of person submitting minutes:** Dana Peterman  
**Members present:** Dana Scott Peterman, Laura Bowering Mullen, Merrie Davidson, Helga Visscher, Cristina Dominguez Ramirez, Kornelia Tancheva, Adis Beesting, Karen Hartman  
**Members excused:** Jill Woolums  
**Guests:** Stephanie Davis-Kahl, Adina Mulliken  
**Minutes:** Minutes from ALA/EBSS from June 28 were approved with corrections  
**Appointments and renewals**  
Scott Lancaster is interested in an appointment to the committee. No information has been received from him yet.

Sharon Weiner, virtual member, has asked not to renew.

Other members have renewed.

**EBSS Research Facebook Presence Removal**
No emails or updates have been sent via this venue, so Helga asked if there were any objections to getting rid of it. After some discussion concerning the amount of work it takes to create and maintain such a presence, members agreed to remove it.

**Discussion of Past Research Forums**

The group was interested in increasing the number of proposals. We wanted to avoid a situation in which some who were selected did not show. There was some discussion that the expectations for our forums involve presentation and feedback, which is more quite different from a more case study approach favored by ALA poster sessions. The presence of APA, its contributions and the awarding of the Psychology librarian of the year were mentioned as very positive from our perspective as well as theirs.

**Evaluation and Selection of Proposals**

Using the rubric that has been previously developed, we discussed submitted proposals and rated them for consideration. We kept in mind that all proposals were supposed to be works in progress. We evaluated proposals based on the following criteria: (1) measure and/or investigate library and information aspects in the fields . . . ; (2) Represent an original research project; (3) Clearly identify what stage in the research project has been completed and estimate a timeline; (4) Represent the current interest to the membership of EBSS. The final acceptance was voted on after a ranking was acquired from the members present.

**Proposal #1 comments**

- Multiple points of view from both the international and local researchers were a nice component.
- The mixed methods approach was useful in this instance.
- We discussed the need for a literature review concerning concepts of plagiarism in other countries to make this a better study.
- We were interested in a sample size large enough to make significant statements.
- We wanted to know how the researcher proposed to do a content analysis for the qualitative aspect of this project.
- We mentioned how the value of interaction to improve instruction.
- Considered this a relevant/hot topic

Rating: 2; 2 ;2 ;3 with overall of 9

**Proposal Accepted**

**Proposal #2 comments**

- This was the administration of a test and not research.
- A member mentioned that she would rather see a high school assessment of information literacy skills because it represented less well-chartered waters.
• How would this compare the improvement over time?
• What will happen after this test is administered? Is this part of a three-part study for which this initial test is a baseline?
• The researchers could try to develop a research question from the data.
• We were interested in knowing how some intervention might be used to address a set of variables.
• We thought that the researcher might develop a set of questions to pose from the data gathered in another study.

Rating: 1; 1; 3; 1 with overall of 6

Proposal Rejected

Proposal #3

• Needs a better definition of online. It's a little unclear whether the group being researched might also have on campus experiences and access to resources or whether the expectations of the course would preclude print material use.
• Can't tell if this is an analysis of just one class. How many people will be participating?
• The research questions are a bit vague.
• Is the journaling a required element of the class? Extra credit?
• Has this been reviewed for IRB issues? Is participation voluntary?
• We came to the realization that questions regarding human subjects protocols were beyond our purview and were the responsibility of the researcher.

Rating: 2; 3; 3; 2 with overall rating of 10

Proposal Accepted

Proposal #4

• How are you tracking
• Combines reference work with the concept of embeddedness, which we found of interest.
• What are the objectives?
• Perhaps considers quality
• No control group is well described and it is needed here
• Is this a mixed methods approach? There is reference to gathering statistics, but a disconnect as to how the intervention might have led to an overall increase in library usage.
• How about looking at more factors. What else might you say about the results?
• We were interested in the population of psychology students specifically.
• We might suggest other measures would have a more powerful impact on the behavior of students. What might they be?

Rating: 2; 3; 1; 3 with overall rating of 9
Proposal Accepted

**Strategies and suggestions for increasing proposal numbers - brainstorm**

- Through distance learning courses
- EBSS members
- Sending it to library school listserv and library school alumni listservs
- New Member Round Table (NMRT) members
- Science and Technology Section (STS)
- Create a website for research ideas (to be vetted via Publications?)
- Remind participations that this is more of a presentation. One has to be prepared to speak, which is somewhat different from a poster session at ALA. Therefore, one could place this on a CV as a conference presentation.
- Posting problem via publications
- EBSS Newsletter – deadlines for are not known, but they come out in September and April.
- Pictures of the event are needed for the upcoming newsletter and past pictures should be available.
- The APA award should be mentioned because it helped to bring people in.
- The time of the presentations should also help. We noted that our current timing is good.
- We need to thinking about blanketing a local region to improve attendance and proposal submission.

Time adjourned 12PM

Summary

**Action Items:**

Helga will inform proposal writers that their proposals were accepted by sometime in February.

Members (TBD) will be assigned responsibility for canvassing specific listservs and institutions, universities and colleges in geographic areas near the next ALA.

Set up for the presentation will be coordinated by the committee chair, Helga.

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**Committee Name:** Social Work / Social Welfare

**Time and place convened:** January 25, 2009, Sheraton Denver Hotel Tower Court D

**Meeting Highlights:**

**Major Topics of Discussion:**

- Review of the committee’s progress on the ACRL Information Literacy Standards as they apply to Social Work/Social Welfare.
- The benefits of Social Services Abstracts versus Social Work Abstracts.
- Recommended e-books for social work.
- Sharing of information about Alexandria Street Press’s Counseling Psychology Transcripts.

**Name of person submitting minutes:** Kate Silfen

**Members present:** Monique Andrews, Eloise Bellard, Jen Darragh, Kate Silfen, and Adina Mulliken

**Members excused:**

**Guests:** Karen Hartman, Jennifer Nason-Davis, Sharon Johnson, and Molly Strothman

**Minutes:**

**Agenda Item Minutes:**

- Introduction of members and guests
- Determine standing of previously developed instruction objectives in relation to the ACRL instruction objectives.
- Other items?

**Time adjourned:** 12 pm

**Summary:**

- The committee reviewed the status of the ACRL Information Literacy Standards for Social Work/Social Welfare.
- Standard #1 and #5 have been drafted by previous members of the committee.
- The committee agreed to split up the work of editing standards #1 and #5, and split the work of drafting the remaining standards.
- We agreed to using the column format that LPSS uses for their standards: [http://www.al...](http://www.al.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/about/sections/lpss/polsguidelines.pdf)
- The committee decided that there would be two outcomes for each performance indicator, and one example for each outcome (please see the LPSS publication mentioned above for an explanation of this.
- We agreed to work on the bibliography and introduction once all the standards have been drafted.
- The committee engaged in informal discussion about the following topics:
  - recommended e-books for social work.
  - comparing Social Work Abstracts to Social Service Abstracts.
  - Librarians’ experiences with Counseling Psychology Transcripts, published by Alexandria Street Press.

**Action Items:**

- Adina Mullikin will e-mail her draft of standard #1 to the committee for any revising that is needed.
- Karen Hartman will e-mail her draft of standard #5 to the committee for any revising that needs to be done.
- Kate Silfen and Jen Darragh will work together to draft standard #3.
- Monique and Eloise will draft standard #2.
- Karen Hartman has agreed to draft standard #4.
- The goal of the committee is to have these drafts completed by May 1st.