Association-Membership-1  1. Expand the appeal of ACRL membership among current members

  Hosted an IS Soiree at each meeting (Midwinter and Annual) to encourage networking and socializing among IS members and prospective members. (IS Local Arrangements Committee and Membership)
  Sponsored a “Welcome and Orientation” session at each meeting to introduce people to the activities and committees of the Section (Is Membership)
  Surveyed attendees of the Midwinter Soiree (Is Membership)
  Published the twice annual IS Newsletter distributed to all members and posted to the IS Website (Communications Committee)
  Maintained the ILI-L listserv (Communications Committee)
  Launched a Mentoring Program (Mentoring Committee)
  Piloted an IS Facebook group (Membership Committee)
  Charged a Web Site Design Implementation task force to test and implement elements of the recommended IS Web Site designs submitted by the 2006-07 IS Web Site Design Task Force in order to improve the IS Web sites’ usability for members and other site visitors.

Higher Ed-Advocacy-1  1. Increase ACRL’s influence on campus information, academic, and communication technology priorities

  Selected the 2008 Innovation Award winner: Susan Sharpless Smith for her work on the Embedded Librarians Project launched by Smith and Library Director Lynn Sutton of the Z. Smith Reynolds Library at Wake Forest University. (IS Awards).

Higher Ed-Advocacy-2  2. Increase ACRL’s communication on major trends and issues in libraries

  Developed a ‘tool kit’ for outreach to library schools to encourage and support of information literacy curriculum. (Library School Outreach Task Force). Note: Use of this project is on hold pending the collaboration with IS and ALISE as part of our incoming chair’s action plan for 2008-09. (Executive Committee)

Higher Ed-Advocacy-3  3. Strengthen partnerships with other organizations

  Nominated candidates for the IFLA Standing Committee on Information Literacy. (Executive Committee).

Higher Ed-Learning-1  1. ACRL expands adoption, use and development of information literacy standards.

  Updated the Multilingual Glossary for Today’s Library Users (Instruction for Diverse Populations Committee)

  Agreed to co-sponsor an ACRL Ethics Committee program at Annual, 2008: Is there a right to information literacy? Academy responsibility in the information age. (Executive Committee)

  Sponsored a discussion titled Assessment: We know we should do it but does it have to be so difficult? lead by Gayla Byerly and Annie Downey at Midwinter, 2008. (Discussion Group Steering Committee)

  Will sponsor a discussion lead by Anne Behler and Emily Rimland, both of Penn State University, and Beth Roberts from the Library of Congress, titled Using the Social Web to Promote and Enhance Information Literacy at Annual, 2008. (Discussion Group Steering Committee)

Higher Ed-Learning-2  2. ACRL increases members’ ability to collaborate and partner with faculty and other campus professionals to integrate lifelong learning skills in the curriculum; and to evaluate programs and assess individuals’ lifelong learning skills

  Will sponsor the 2008 Annual IS Conference Program, Creating Change: Teacher Librarians and New Learners. Presented by Dr. Jeffrey Liles. Professor of Education at St. John Fisher College. (Program Planning Committee, 2008)

  Agreed to participate in a joint panel with the Merlot Librarians Editorial Board at ACRL ’09 (PRIMO Committee)

  Sponsored a discussion titled Teaching Disabled Students: Emphasis On Their Abilities, Not Their Disabilities lead by Scott Sheidlower at Midwinter, 2008. (Discussion Group Steering Committee)

Higher Ed-Learning-3  3. ACRL increases member abilities to create and manage physical and virtual spaces and services as environments for discovery
Published “Gather ‘Round the E-Chalk Board”
By Beth Blanton-Kent in Tips and Trends: Summer 2007
http://www.ala.org/ala/acrlbucket/is/iscommittees/webpages/instructionaltechnologies/tipsandtrends/summer2007.cfm
(Instructional Technologies)

Higher Ed-Scholarship-2 2. Continue to play a leadership role in academic and research librarianship by creating and disseminating tools and a body of knowledge for the field
Approved the new edition of Information Literacy Instruction Handbook forthcoming spring, 2008, ACRL. Edited by Christopher N. Cox and Elizabeth Blakesley Lindsay (IS Handbook Taskforce).


Updated the First Year Experience Bibliography. (Teaching Methods committee).

Updated the Bibliography of Citations Related to the Research Agenda for Library Instruction and Information Literacy (Research and Scholarship).

Higher Ed-Scholarship-4 4. Strengthen ACRL’s relationships with learned societies
Announced “A Selected List of Pedagogical Journals in Fields Outside of LIS” (Research and Scholarship).

Profession-Continuous Learning-1 1. Align programs and other learning opportunities with member needs and strategic priorities.
Approved a program proposal for ACRL 09 related to the "Characteristics of Programs of Information Literacy that Illustrate Best Practices: A Guideline" document. (Information Literacy Best Practices Committee).

Approved a program proposal for LOEX of the West related to the "Characteristics of Programs of Information Literacy that Illustrate Best Practices: A Guideline" document. (Information Literacy Best Practices Committee).

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Proposed a new project: "Five Articles You Need to Read" in order to help instruction librarians keep up to date in the field. (Research & Scholarship Committee).

Profession-Info Tech-1 1. Support the development and recognition of academic and research librarians as experts and campus leaders in information technology applications in libraries
Selected eight items for the PRIMO Site of the month to highlight and promote innovations in information literacy using instructional technologies. (PRIMO Committee)

Profession-Info Tech-3 3. Support members in their exploration and implementation of new and emerging information technologies and their application for library services in educational environments
Encouraged the use of communications and virtual meeting technologies by committees and decided to develop policies and practices documentation for the near future.

Profession-Leadership-2 2. Increase recognition of the value of libraries and librarians by leaders in higher education, etc.
Selected the 2008 Miriam Dudley Instruction Librarian Award winner: Craig Gibson (IS Awards).