Minutes of the GODORT Publication Committee Meeting
June 25, 2004, 3-5:30 p.m.
Renaissance Orlando Resort, Walu Room
ALA - Orlando FL
Duncan Aldrich, Chair

Treasurer’s report and business items (Ann Miller):

The GODORT treasurer was at another meeting and therefore did not give a report to this committee. Those interested can find the treasurer’s report as part of the GODORT business report.

DTTP Report (Andrea Sevetson):

The Summer 2004 edition is out. Content is under control for the rest of the year and into the new year. Budget-wise, DTTP is doing well also. $3000+ for issue #1. There is discussion among DTTP editors to raise the advertising rates by 10% and raise the discounts for multiple ads. There is still some question about subscriptions. A list of 400 subscriptions were received from the previous publisher. About 190 renewals have been received. That leaves @ 200 who haven't cancelled but also haven't renewed.

Issue of free ads: there's been an unwritten rule that some free ads would be given to other GODORT arms (preconferences, LN's breakfast...) 5 free ads comes to $1000. This was discussed and decided that preconferences and LN breakfast should be charged, but given a 50% discount rate.

Markup for 1/2 page ad depends on issue size. It costs about $75 for a 1/2 page ad. DTTP sells the space for about $200.

This year the DTTP finances look as follows:

- 11-12K in ad revenue.
- 6-8K in subscription revenue.
- Renewals will come in the next fiscal year.

There is a projected deficit but Andrea is not sure how much. The good news is that the deficit is shrinking. There's a need to raise the number of subscriptions.

Notable Documents (Linda Johnson):

There was a suggestion to get information on how selectors are working and add/change the PPM to reflect that.
New members’ lunch tomorrow. It would be good to have the notable docs editor on that agenda to discuss notable docs to new members. This would be a good way to publicize it. Unfortunately, Linda is unable to attend the new members’ lunch.

**Web Administrator’s Report (Christof Galli):**

Sunsite has migrated to new hardware. The links are being redirected so there is no need to update links. Telnet access is not working right now so some updates to the GODORT website have not been done. There has been some talk about blogging software on the Sunsite, but nothing has been decided. There have also been rumors about the sun site going away as a host for GODORT. If that happens, we would be given 6 months notice.

One suggestion floated is to move to the ALA site. However, all agreed that this has its problems and issues as well.

Christof will discuss the situation with the incoming GODORT Web Administrator.

**Practice and status of archiving:**

Christof has been archiving as a matter of course with redirects in place. He envisions an architecture set up to keep track of the archives. For 3-4 years he has saved periodic snapshots of the GODORT site on cdroms, but there is no official archiving policy in place in the PPM.

Right now, the issue that he sees is that the GODORT Web Administrator has this responsibility instead of each committee/task force web administrator doing it. There are questions that need to be answered as well like when should contact and other personal info be stripped from the archive. It is felt that editorial decisions shouldn't be made by the GODORT administrator, but by each committee.

Is there space for committees to move their information? Christof says it would be fine.

Vicki Tate is currently the GODORT archivist. GODORT documents get sent to the University of Illinois in Urbana where the ALA archives reside, but not much is being done there other than keeping the boxes. Additionally, the PPM states that archives must be in printed format.

**Clarifying and editing of PPM:**

Duncan will be bringing this to second steering.

Currently it appears that the web administrator is supposed to edit the PPM. The update would strip that responsibility out and give it to the Bylaws Committee where it makes more sense. Cass Hartnett is amenable to that.

**Clarifying responsibility for sections of the GODORT website:**
Much of this discussion was couched to be discussed at a future Publications Committee meeting. However, there was discussion on the following:

- GODORT created resources: different web administrators should be contacting GODORT administrators semi-annually
- GPO links: will be deleted
- Fact sheets by and about depository libraries and the GPO
- Laws and legislation enacted and proposed
- Listservs / e-journals / professional orgs: give to Education Committee?
- Current news: to be retained by Publications with the suggestion of having the first few posts and then linking to the Legislation page. Christof will contact Legislation to work something out. There are other things that should be posted on the News: letter from GODORT chair, big news like Thurgood Marshall and the 50th anniversary of Brown vs. Board of Education, etc.

**GODORT Web Administrator interviews**

Two interviewees, Christof Galli, Duke University, and Lesley Pease, Syracuse University.

Similar questions were asked of both interviewees. The vote was to recommend to Steering that Lesley Pease be given the duty.

The Publications Committee was adjourned at 5:30pm on Friday, June 25th, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,
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