Federal Documents Task Force, Business Meeting  
ALA Government Documents Roundtable  
American Library Association Annual Conference – 2010  
Washington, DC 1:30pm, Saturday, June 26, 2010  
Presiding: Kirsten Clark, Coordinator/Web Manager  
Stephanie Braunstein, Coordinator-elect  
Secretary: Antoinette W. Satterfield

I. Self-introductions of all attendees.

II. Approval of today’s agenda.

III. Approval of minutes of the January, 2010 meeting in Boston.

IV.  
A. Judith Russell, Dean of University Libraries, University of Florida  
   - Discussed the ASERL (Association of Southeastern Research Libraries) Report, a proposed Discussion Draft which was reviewed and adopted by ASERL library deans and directors in April, 2010.  
   - This draft should provide a means of starting a dialogue between library deans and directors, document librarians, and others about how to effectively manage the current FDLP collections as a regional asset.  
   - The draft addresses the “center of excellence” model, the idea of building two comprehensive-as possible, cataloged FDLP print collections in the Southeast.  
   - According to the Executive Summary, “…among the twelve Regional Depository Libraries in the southeast there will be collaboration to take responsibility for cataloging a portion of the collection and for retrospectively acquiring the items necessary to make that portion as complete as possible within the limitations of available content and resources.”  
   - She emphasized that Regionals are legally committed to maintain and catalog depository items.  
   - The Executive Summary and the Discussion Draft are available under the section titled, *Managing FDLP Collections Across the Region*, at this site: [http://www.aserl.org](http://www.aserl.org).  
   - Any FDLP library is encouraged to participate in the survey also found under this section on the website.  
   - General discussion:  
     - Importance of each depository knowing what government information they own and in what format  
     - Investing in collections and to preserve and catalog  
     - Need to include fugitive documents in the preservation and cataloging processes  
     - Selectives considering the need for a full collection somewhere as they weed their collections  
     - Value of deans and directors understanding the value of long-term commitment to maintaining, preserving, and cataloging government information.
B. Bill Sudduth, Department Head for Government Information, Microforms, and Newspapers and Maps, University of South Carolina

- Discussed the concept of Centers of Excellence for specific federal agencies.
- Three Regionals in the southeast have already agreed to become Centers of Excellence and are cataloging and taking inventory of their holdings as well as discovering which items are missing from those agencies.
- Centers should be standardized

V. Committee Liaison Reports

- Legislation – No report
- Publication – No report
- Rare and Endangered government publications – meets tomorrow
- Gitco – No report

VI. Ric Davis, Acting Superintendent of Documents, GPO

- Introductions of all GPO staff in attendance
- Regarding ASERL report, Ric stated that he told the Joint Committee on Printing (JCP) that he supported the proposal
- Withdrawal lists posted on the National Needs and Offers web site will be removed after 30 days instead of the previous practice of 90 days.
- Shelflist conversion project still in progress. 6000 -7000 cards have been digitized and place into the Catalog of Government Publications (CGP)
- GPO is developing guidelines for the establishment of cooperative cataloging and content partnerships with depository libraries that require cataloging with continued quality of metadata records in the CGP, including the maintenance of standards required by GPO.
- New chair of the Depository Library Council is Suzanne Sears of the University of North Texas
- Appointment of new members of the Depository Library Council
  - Helen Burke
  - Stephen M. Hayes
  - Peggy Roebuck Jarrett
  - Sharalyn J. Laster
  - Debbie Rabina
- Ric proposed to the JCP to add to FDsys the digitized products (such as Statutes at Large) already digitized by the Library of Congress. JCP agreed.
- Remind the FDTF that Title 44 does not give GPO permission to digitize
- More Internet educational modules will be utilized by GPO
- GPO is currently seeking library program consulting and modeling services to develop practical and sustainable models for the future of the FDLP, per request of the Depository Council.
- Disaster Recovery plans will be in place by the end of December, 2010. At that time GPO Access will shut down.
- FDsys is not the only system GPO is funding to migrate the legacy collection. For example, Cornell Law Library is converting the Code of Federal Regulations into XML
format, and LOCKSS (Lots of copies keep stuff safe), a Stanford-based International Consortium that collects and preserves electronic content is also working with GPO.

- GPO historically has employed five library inspectors. Now there are six to make it easier to outreach and teach at the library depositories.
- GPO has contracted with Zepheira to manage PURLS, maybe starting in July. Work will also include statistics.
- GPO now has a twitter site, a Facebook page, and a book talk blog (http://govbooktalk.gpo.gov)
- 17 positions open at GPO

VII. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,
Antoinette W. Satterfield