

GODORT Legislative Committee
Conference call, September 28, 2016, 4:00pm Eastern Time

Attendees: Hallie Pritchett (Chair), University of Georgia, Ambrogino Guisti; Frank Lester, Vanderbilt University; Kate Tallman, University of Colorado Boulder; Simon Healey, Free Library of Philadelphia; Marie Concannon, University of Missouri (minute taker). Not present: lissasnyders@gmail.com, Bill Sudduth, University of South Carolina (Ex Officio)

Document was emailed in advance to be discussed in this meeting: *Government Information Next Initiative (GINI) A Framework in Four Phases for the Future Goals of the Legislative Committee of the Government Documents Round Table, American Library Association.*

Hallie has received partial information on the Legislative Committee's past work for the last two years. Some of it includes:

- a project dealing with "eight statements"
- a project involving the Preservation Working Group
- a project to educate committee members on the legislative process
- an initiative involving core competencies for government information librarians, possibly from GODORT's Education Subcommittee but possibly from ALA's Committee on Legislation, Government Information Subcommittee
- a plan to endorse a resolution from the Preservation Subcommittee
- possibly others

Hallie will request additional information, meeting minutes, etc. from exiting GODORT committee members and chairs. She plans to upload the materials to an online workspace where current Legislative Committee members can view them. It will be important to gather this information before deciding on priorities for our work going forward.

With regard to our course of action over the next 1-5 years, The GINI document appears to be the most solid version of a plan. Last year's committee had agreed on it generally but there was no formal vote. With significant leadership changes about to take place in Washington -- a new GPO Director and Superintendent of Documents -- we may see a different course for the FDLP. Our committee will need to be ready to address whatever issues these changes bring about. The GINI document may or may not take all of our attention.

In today's phone call, we noted some recent structural changes in GODORT: 1) no more liaisons to task forces, and 2) greater collaboration with the ALA Committee on Legislation & Government Information Subcommittee, especially at ALA Midwinter and Annual meetings.

Hallie asked who on this committee is planning to attend ALA meetings over the next two years, and who will be attending the FDLP meeting in a few weeks. In the past, much of this committee's work

took place face-to-face, but this year our committee will have virtual meetings (preferred) or conference calls to keep momentum going between the summer and winter ALA meetings.

Action items:

- Hallie, Frank and Kate will look for documentation of the Legislative Committee's past work and any projects-in-progress.
- Hallie will contact the Education Committee about the core competencies initiative.
- Hallie will ask other GODORT committee chairs about GINI.
- Hallie will get the GODORT wiki page up to date for this committee, including membership and past meeting minutes
- All committee members are asked to look at GINI doc and send comments/thoughts to everyone else by email. Deadline: end of October.
- Marie will send minutes to group. We assume that minutes from our virtual meetings and conference calls will be made public, as meetings at ALA are.

We will use ALA Connect to post meeting announcements but will not use it for communication among members. There are some technical issues that make it inconvenient for that purpose. Meeting ended at 4:52pm Eastern Time.

Respectfully submitted,
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