

**GODORT Publications Committee
Meeting Minutes
ALA Midwinter
Sunday, January 21, 2007
Seattle, WA**

Meeting called to order at 8:30A.

Members present: Dan Barkley (Chair), Barb Mann, Linda Johnson, Lesley Pease, Maureen Olle-Lavoie, Andrea Sevetson, Michael Smith, Jill Moriearty, James Jacobs

Members excused: Marcy Allen

Announcements made concerning GODORT copy number, due date for minutes from this committee for Membership meeting as well as for DttP. Treasurer reminded attendees that any changes to the budget have to be made by the Steering II.

Minutes of Committee from Annual (NOLA) were approved without change.

Old Business:

Barb Mann gave an update on Andrea Morrison's book *Managing e-Government Information*. There are 16 chapters and everyone has met all deadlines imposed by Andrea and ALA Publishing. Editing work continues to meet the 75K word manuscript requirement. Barb Mann noted that Andrea did extraordinary job in keeping everyone on time and in context. Other discussion included ways to market this book to increase revenue for GODORT.

Donna Koepp reported that her proposed book has not been accepted by ALA publishing and she is investigating other publishers that would be interested in this project.

Occasional papers project. A potential editorial team has been formed (Chair, Chair-Elect of Publications, Barbara Miller, and a fourth person to be named later). The fourth member will be selected based on the paper subject matter submitted. The idea is to select someone who has expertise in the subject area.

New Business:

Dan reported to the committee on the Dttp/Aggregators issue. Dan provided background information with support from Andrea Sevetson and Helen Sheey. The Dttp editorial board has been engaged in discussions with some aggregators that will not negatively impact current business model used by Dttp and GODORT to provide a revenue source that supports Dttp through advertising. Several models of how to achieve this goal were discussed. DttP staff will continue to investigate and provide a report to the Committee and Steering at Annual. Committee members James and Barb agreed to investigate other means by which revenue could be raised while supporting a tangible and electronically accessible publication.

Web Manager Job Description

Lesley provided committee updated job description. She provided the committee with suggestions for a revised job description based on her experiences, frustrations, etc. Her suggestions include ways to improve the job description to more accurately reflect the time commitment, skills, and other requirements needed to perform the job to the expectations of all GODORT members.

Once all comments are received a new job description will be posted on a variety of listservs. A tentative date of June 1 was agreed upon for candidates to submit their interest. Interviews will take place during Annual and the successful candidate assisting Lesley during the transition.

Notable Documents Panel

Replacements for Linda Johnson and James Church who are rotating off the Panel are needed. IDTF will be consulted for names for James' slot. It will be necessary to find a replacement for Linda Johnson whose terms ends at Annual. Details of her responsibilities and duties will be posted on various listservs. The successful candidate will be asked for a submission of their writing and curricula vita. The Committee noted that Linda did an excellent job during her tenure.

The Panel is in process of judging 14 international, 31 state/local, and 21 federal publications submitted for review. Nicole Merriman has replaced Sharon Richer on the Panel. Publications Committee members will approve at Annual her continued participation should she so wish.

Oral history project with Rare and Endangered Committee

No committee members recall this discussion or assignment to Publications with the Rare and Endangered Documents Committee involvement. While the project has some merit in that it would involve interviewing GODORT members who have retired or have moved elsewhere in ALA or their respective institutions, the Committee requests further information as to who will do it, where will it be posted/published, etc. Other questions that were posed include:

1. Will the individual(s) be trained and have experience in collecting oral histories?
2. What type of questions will be posed and who will participate?
3. Is travel involved or will interviews take place over the phone.
4. Where will this information be posted?

Other

John Hernandez will be putting forward a preconference proposal with conference proceedings possibly being published GODORT. This may be a potential revenue source

DttP staff will be reviewing they layout. Any ideas, thoughts, or suggestions should be sent to Andrea Sevetson. Andrea announced that another DttP cover contest will be conducted.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:59A.

Respectfully submitted

Dan Barkley, Chair