Publications Committee Minutes Annual, 2009

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Contents

Attendees

James Jacobs (chair), John Stevenson (incoming chair), Jim Church (chair elect), Rebecca Blakeley, Susan Bucks, Jennie Gerke (FDTF liaison), Barbara Miller, Monifa Carter, Chella Vaidyanathan (SLDTF liaison), Starr Hoffman (web admin), Chelsea Dinsmore, Beth Clausen, Valerie Glenn, Andrea Sevetson, Sandhya Srivastana

Logistics

Publications Committee: Sunday, July 12, 2009, 8:00-10:00 a.m. – Palmer House PALM Hancock Parlor

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Approval of minutes and agenda

Draft Committee minutes from ALA Midwinter Meeting in Denver
(http://wikis.ala.org/godort/index.php/Publications_Committee_Minutes_Midwinter%2C_2009) - revised since Midwinter. Midwinter '09 minutes and Annual '09 meeting agenda approved.

DttP Report

Report document is posted to the Publications Committee google group space (http://groups.google.com/group/godort-pubs).

No questions on report submitted by the outgoing editor. Incoming editors (Beth Clausen and Valerie Glenn) reported that they met the deadline for their first issue.

Other Committee updates

- IDTF liaison – nothing to report
- FDTF liaison – nothing to report
- SLDTF liaison – nothing to report

Old Business

- **update on DttP survey:** John Stevenson reported that the survey was completed with roughly 20% of GODORT members responding. Many ideas for articles were submitted, meaning that the survey was a successful instrument for gathering information from members. Rebecca Blakeley was thanked for helping to set up the survey and introducing GODORT members to SurveyMonkey.

- **update on logo contest:** James has contacted Rebecca Hyde regarding a free GODORT membership as a prize for the logo contest. It was suggested that there might be additional prizes, such as a gift card. The logo contest will be promoted to library school students, some of whom have been submitted creative products for the DttP cover contest. The contest has been announced but members are encouraged to forward it on.

- **update on occasional papers:** James reported that two papers have been issued (dated August 2009) and that the series has been assigned an ISSN by the Copyright Office, pending receipt of copies. James will complete this detail. There are additional submissions in queue. Marcy Bidney will finish her term as Occasional Paper editor and James will serve an additional term as editor.

- **Oral Histories:** Tanya Finchum has set up a section of the wiki for Oral Histories and has posted two to the wiki. The text for interviews with Judy Russell and Larry Romans have been posted. Grace York and Fran Buckley are being interviewed now. It was suggested that many people would want to read an interview/oral history with @Fakegodort. Sound recordings have been made but future interviews may be done with video and posted to godort.blip.tv (http://godort.blip.tv/) and the Internet Archive. Copies can also be burned to CD for ALA/GODORT archives.

- **Morrison book publicity:** Royalties for *Managing Electronic Government Information in Libraries: Issues and Practices* have begun to come in, with $1215.88 received to date on the most recent statement from GODORT Treasurer. Reviews have been positive but some may have been lukewarm. Chella volunteered to write and post a review on Amazon and to the GODORT blog (http://godort.ala.org/news). Getting it added to reading lists would be helpful, such as the FDLP's 10 things to-do and the 21 things for new depository librarians.

- **GODORT blog:** The GODORT blog has been established. GODORT news should be an important component. Many of the posts to date have been about the SLDTF's databases project. It was suggested that Andrea Morrison's book be mentioned on the blog. Pushing the book in state library associations may also get it out there.

New Business

- **Notable Documents chair recommendation:** David Grifiths has been unanimously agreed upon as the new chair for Notable Documents. Jim Church was thanked for his service as the outgoing Notable Documents chair.

- **ALAconnect:** Discussion of ALAconnect. Sevetson noted that Google groups is easier, because there's no need to log in repeatedly. Jacobs has asked Jenny Lavine about how google groups could be used in conjunction with ALAconnect and is waiting for an answer. Blakeley set up the ALAconnect government information group to use this technology to reach out to school and public librarians. The organization of ALAconnect is problematic, for example, what are discussions vs. posts. Stevenson will set up a group on ALAconnect to announce publications and related items of interest. The proposed communications committee was mentioned, as there are so many avenues for communication.

Future agenda building

This is space for future agenda building, not for active action items or projects.

- Discussion about researching into digital publishing models and case studies and the efficacy of publishing DttP in a digital format. At ALA annual '08, Publications Committee agreed that it was an appropriate time to research this, but also agreed that the current DttP economic model is not currently broken. Exploration has not moved forward as of Midwinter '09.

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