

Federal Documents Task Force, Business Meeting
ALA Annual Conference 2006
New Orleans, LA – Saturday, June 24, 2006- 8:00-10:00am
Presiding: Beth Clausen, Chair
Secretary: Sarah R. Gewirtz

1. After the welcome and introduction by Beth Clausen, Chair, the agenda for this meeting and the minutes for the 2006 Midwinter meeting were approved.
2. New Business
 - a. Discussion of Essential Titles List Proposal led by Beth Clausen.

Suggestions/Comments/Concerns:

- Program no longer flexible- can't choose paper or electronic which means can't meet needs of constituents
 - Threshold of 75-85% could be the "death of the depository program"; Not incentive enough to stay in program
 - Categorizations and generalizations not good- not everyone needs the same things
 - Government information on the web not there yet to allow students to differentiate, so how can general librarians?
 - Electronic go to everyone and then we should be allowed to choose another format
 - Several people are going directly to get the paper formats that they need
 - As paper disappeared so has visibility of government documents program
 - There are lots of broken purls- system not there yet; who has time to check purls?
 - Authentication- not here yet
- b. GPO Update- Judy Russell, Superintendent of Documents
(http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/pubs/proceedings/06spring/gpo_update_spring06.pdf)
 - The Spring Depository Library Council meeting will be April 15-18th in Denver. A notice will be going up shortly.
 - Web Harvesting Project- crawl feedback useful; helped define version control and methodology; last crawl will be towards the end of summer.
 - ILS- able to generate report; Item and SuDoc numbers are able to link to; Z3950 Interface will allow any FDLP into system.
 - Disaster recovery site- five databases migrated forward.
 - c. "A Day in Your Life with FDsys." Presented by George Barnum and Kate Zwaard of GPO (<http://www.gpo.gov/projects/fdsys.htm>)