

SUNYLA Council Meeting
Friday March 20, 2009
Sojourner Truth Library, SUNY New Paltz
11:00am-3:00pm

Attending: Joanne Spadaro (Old Westbury), Bill Drew (TC3), Jill Yaples (Binghamton), Morgan Gwenwald (New Paltz), John Schumacher (OLIS), Dave Ritchie (Cortland), April Davies (Cobleskill), Colleen Lougen (New Paltz), Sara Hull (ESC), Wendy West (Albany), Kadri Niider (Optometry), Tessa Killian (SENYLRC), Marianne Hebert (Timbuktu), Dan Harms (Cortland), Emily Hart (Upstate), Barb Grimes (SUNYIT), Logan Rath (Brockport), Ann Gunning (Nylink), Greg Bobish (Albany); **Recording Secretary:** April Davies.

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1. Approval of Minutes from Feb. 20, 2009

Minutes from Feb. 20, 2009 were approved with no corrections.

2. Announcements, correspondence, appointments

Cortland: Will have implemented AskUs24/7 by summer. Are considering a reorganization of library staff, nothing for sure yet. The campus is committed to no personnel cuts for as long as possible.

Upstate: Doing a lot of library visioning. Pat Onsi has retired at the beginning of February; not sure what they're going to do with her position yet. A new children's hospital is opening and will include a patient/family resource center which the library will be involved with. Are extending their outreach more into the hospitals.

SUNYIT: Down one librarian as of May. Book budget = \$1,000, for the year. Trying to keep databases, had to cut some serials.

Brockport: Will be adding a Clerk II in ILL. The library's IT person moved to Minnesota; don't know yet what's happening with the position. Just implemented 360Search.

Cobleskill: Two searches underway: Dean & Circ/ILL. 360Search went live this week.

TC3: Writing has moved to right next to the Reference Desk. Integrating the tutors into instruction sessions more. Dave Lewis back working as an adjunct. Also Neil Z. is a new adjunct. Had lots of visits from other SUNYs interested in what they're doing. Getting ready to go live with AskUs24/7. Redistributed some duties among the librarians. Budget not cut yet.

Oswego (via email): Opening for Coordinator of Access Services position. Review begins April 15th.

Binghamton: Book budget down 25% and hiring freeze for next year, journals will probably be cut next year as well. Are the first library to bring up Encore 3.0, can now search digital repository along with catalog. Using WorldCat Selection tool, mostly for foreign vendors and ebooks. Getting LibGuides. Looking at the Kindle but not sure what will/will not happen. Library is on Twitter now as well as Facebook. Now using Serial Solutions' A-Z list for ebooks and print journals. Previously only used for ejournals.

New Paltz: There are no spycams in the library's restrooms. Will be a Ricardo Montalban film festival at Steve Macaluso's house next week, by invitation only. Implementing AskUs24/7 over summer.

OLIS: Carey Hatch is still doing three jobs. New Chancellor coming in as of June.

Albany: Mary Casserly serving as Interim Director. Started a new Reference service called "Just Ask" which allows students to 'call' the reference desk from their public area computer to the desk so a librarian can come over to help them. Trudi Jacobson got the Miriam Dudley Instruction Librarian award from ACRL.

Empire State: College has a new president but lost a VP. Reorganizing reporting structure. Just finished a pilot using Meebo for Reference chat, seemed very popular with students. Running workshops using Ellumiate and it is working well so far.

Old Westbury: Library will be undergoing renovations during next few years, no details yet. Experiencing big budget cuts: some serials, zero book budget, hiring freeze, campus cutting 70 course sections this semester.

Optometry: Snowing in NYC this morning. May not be able to fill upcoming retirements. Had to cut work study.

3Rs: Library councils are facing an 18% budget cut.

Potsdam: Two searches underway: Director & Collection Development/Instruction/Reference. Anticipating 30% temp services cut. No travel or equipment money for next year. Library is in the midst of program review, external reviewers will be visiting in April. Jenica Rogers-Urbaneck has been named a "Mover & Shaker" by Library Journal. 360Search came up this week. Campus is working on an academic master plan. Library will be going through more renovations this summer. The giant windows will be sucked out with giant suction cups for replacement.

3. Officers' reports

3.1 President – Dan Harms

Dan reported that he is getting over a really persistent cold. Nothing else to report, will have things to say under other items.

3.2 First Vice President – Logan Rath

[Logan reported that the 1st VP nominations have now been accepted.](#)

Report of the First Vice-President/President Elect

Since our last meeting, I have been charged with recruiting candidates for our upcoming election as well as submitting the LIC/WGIL bylaws change to the listserv. Here are the results of those two items to date.

Elections:

- Two nominations for 1st VP, none yet accepted.
- One candidate for 2nd VP, Pamela O'Sullivan from Brockport
- One candidate for Treasurer, Jenica Rogers-Urbaneck from Potsdam

At this time nominations are still being accepted for all positions.

The bylaws change was sent to the listserv for discussion and none ensued save one typographical error. Followed is the preposed bylaws change:

Currently:

12.4.3 Library Instruction Committee

The Library Instruction Committee shall promote library user instruction at SUNY libraries and the exchange of information about library instruction; support the development, coordination, and assessment of library instruction programs; and recommend programs for professional development in library instruction.

Proposed new section:

12.4.3 Working Group on Information Literacy ("WGIL")

WGIL shall promote library user instruction and information literacy at SUNY libraries and the exchange of information about library instruction; support the development, coordination, and assessment of information literacy programs; recommend, offer and/or sponsor programs and educational opportunities for professional development and growth in library instruction, information literacy and 21st century information fluency.

Respectfully Submitted,
Logan Rath

3.3 Second Vice President – Angela Weiler

April Davies reported that an idea for a SUNYLA 'block' during the normal session time has come up among members of the conference planning group. The time could be used for committee meetings, SIGs, etc. Following some general discussion, the idea was endorsed. Particulars will be worked out by the conference planning group.

no written report

3.4 Secretary – April Davies

SUNYLA Secretary's Report – February 20, 2009

April reported that the ballot for the spring elections is coming together. Need candidate statements. Asked group about setting deadline for eligibility to vote at April 10th. Following some discussion (including comments from Jenica via IM), agreed that date should work.

no written report

3.5 Treasurer – Jenica Rogers-Urbaneck

no report, Jenica is recuperating from shoulder surgery

4. Committee Reports

4.1 Information Technology Committee – Bill Drew

Bill reported that he still hasn't heard back from everyone yet. The committee needs/wants some newer members. Since submitting the report, our numbers are up on Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn.

Report of the SUNYLA Information Technology Committee

In an effort to revive the committee, I have asked committee members to let me know ASAP on if they want to stay on the committee as active members. Several have respond back to me already. The current membership includes:

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| Peter Barvoets | barvoepd@cobleskill.edu |
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Please let me know if you are interested in being part of the committee.

The committee has been asked to investigate methods for doing online elections and balloting. Marianne Hebert is investigating what is used by her campus.

The committee is also investigating social networking software for use by SUNYLA. Here is what is set up so far:

1. Twitter: <http://twitter.com/sunyla> 16 followers so far.
2. Facebook Group: <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=10456974773> 63 members so far
3. LinkedIn Group: <http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=1804616> 66 members

Please e-mail me if you need an invitation to the Facebook and LinkedIn groups. Both are open to all. If there are other places where SUNYLA should have a profile, please let me know.

Bill Drew
Chair, SUNYLA IT Committee
drew@tc3.edu

4.2 Library Instruction – Kim Hoffman

Question from Bill Drew: Why aren't they partnering with CDLC and/or NYLA for upcoming workshop. Greg Bobish: Decided against formal partnership in order to make it easier to give preference to SUNYLA members, since SUNYLA is footing most of the bill. The group can discuss this issue further. Comment from Steve Macaluso: The last workshop was really valuable on several levels.

Library Instruction Committee (LIC)/ Working Group for Information Literacy (WGIL)

Planning for the second WGIL workshop (at SUNY Albany) is underway.

Committee members: Irina Holden (WGIL), Trudi Jacobson, Greg Bobish, Deborah Bernnard, Daryll Bullis (WGIL)

Prospective dates: late May/early June, in an attempt to avoid scheduling conflicts with end-of-the-semester activities and other professional conferences

Proposed format: Keynote address, followed by three segments of concurrent sessions and a 30 to 45-minute break for roundtable discussions

Possible topics: lesson planning and active learning, classroom management, motivation, mapping the instruction according to ACRL's information literacy standards, use of technology in instruction, assessment

Participant eligibility: Because, at this point, the Albany workshop is operating solo (without co-sponsors), first priority for participation will go to SUNYLA members. Non-SUNYLA members may be charged a modest fee.

Other considerations: Based on the feedback from *Teaching Tips from the Trenches* (SUNY Geneseo, 1/12/09), the planning committee at Albany is making targeted decisions on how to improve upon some of the stated weaknesses of the previous workshop. They will incorporate many of the ideas that were mentioned as strengths of the previous workshop, including the use of mentors/facilitators.

New WGIL member.

WGIL welcomes its newest member, Christine Rudecoff from Morrisville State College, who will join the Professional Development subcommittee.

KD Hoffman, Chair, 3/18/09

4.3 Library Software Users Group – Andy Perry

Barb Grimes reported that Brockport is willing to host LiSUG this fall. Also interested in Purchase or New Paltz or another location more downstate. Comment from Marianne Hebert: Call the library at the site you want and you'll be more likely to get a better response than with an open call. Comment from April Davies: We don't want to have the next LiSUG in the same region as the main 2010 conference so knowing where that will be would be helpful. Question from April: Can Brockport handle the main conference. Logan Rath: Yes. Question from Bill Drew: Do we have a new LiSUG chair lined up? April: Not yet.

no written report

4.4 Membership Development – Emily Hart & Wendy West

Wendy West approved as new chair. Comment from Bill Drew: Make the 'send' button bigger on the membership form. (Note: Logan Rath made the change about 2 minutes after Bill's request). Comment from Marianne Hebert: And make it a different color. (Logan made that change, too)

Membership Development Committee Report March 20, 2009

Membership Statistics:

Since the February, 2009 report there have been no additional membership applications processed. The membership totals remain as follows: 277 members in SUNYLA, including 33 new members.

New Business:

The Membership Development Committee will be making a recommendation to the SUNYLA Council that Wendy West, Cataloging Services Librarian at SUNY Albany, be appointed as the new Membership Development Committee Chair. Emily Hart is stepping down from the position. Wendy has been an active member on the committee for over a year. While serving on the committee she has dedicated her time to planning new member initiatives and to investigating the development of partnerships with other NY State Library organizations. She is currently the SUNYLA representative to NYLA. We highly recommend Wendy for the position and feel that she will be a strong and dedicated leader.

Membership Proceedings:

1. The chair will be recruiting individuals to serve on the Membership Development Committee.
2. The committee is planning a presentation for the annual conference that targets new SUNYLA members and first time conference goers.
3. New member E-mails will be sent with details about events and opportunities at the upcoming annual conference.
4. The committee will work with the SUNYLA Annual conference and local arrangement committee chairs to see if it is possible to link membership renewals to the annual conference; and to assist with organizing membership events at the conference.
5. The new SUNYLA Membership Directory, created in fall 2008, is being migrated to the sunyla.org. Delegate passwords to access the site are being created and distributed.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Emily Hart, Membership Development Committee Chair

4.5 Personnel Policies – Dan Harms

Dan reported that we still need a chair for this committee. Not sure what to do with this committee. Dan asked to make this a discussion point at our next meeting. Suggestion from Bill Drew: Consider making the committee's activities part of the duties of the 1st VP.

no written report

4.6 Professional Development – Joanne Spadaro

Question from Dave Ritchie: What changes are the Grant Subcommittee looking to make? Joanne Spadaro & April Davies: Are reviewing/discussing award maximums, possible application deadlines, how big a budget to ask for, whether to ask for extra money if needed, eligibility, types of activities, etc. Suggestion from Barb Grimes: Add something to the Grants page on website about past recipients and their funded activities. Other general discussion regarding advertising, recipient reports. Friendly amendments from Bill Drew and Dave Ritchie to increase the Grants funding request were accepted. Funding of \$1600 approved.

Daniel Kissane: Wendy Ackerman is currently working on updating the page for this year's conference and finding a candidate for the award.

Sylvia Chu: Carol Anne Germain is currently working on updating the page for this year's conference and finding candidates for the award.

Friend of SUNYLA award: Greg Bobish has posted the current award to the SUNYLA Conference website page. If you have any one you wish to nominate please contact Greg Bobish.

SUNYLA Professional Development Grants Subcommittee: The Professional Development Grants Subcommittee has submitted another request for funds for \$1000.00 for the fiscal year for a total of \$5300.00. Joanne Spadaro will report on the recent PDGS criteria update discussion and respond to questions concerning the request for additional funding at the March meeting at SUNY New Paltz.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Darryl Coleman
Chair SUNYLA Professional Development
March 19, 2009

[from the PDGS funding request form]

Here is a list of the grant recipients thus far.

Grant Recipients 2008/2009

Angela Weiler (Onondaga Community College)
Lori Widzinski (University at Buffalo)
Richard Delbango (Nassau Community College)
Mark Smith (Ceramics at Alfred University)
Brenda Battleson (University at Buffalo)
Shannon Printing (Oswego)
Jennifer J. Little (Brockport)
Natalie Sturr (Oswego)
Susan Kraat (New Paltz)

4.7 Publications & Communications – Ellen McCabe

Concern was expressed about having non-delegate submissions to the campus news section. Campuses are concerned about editorial control since they put time and thought into what they submit. Motion made and approved to “express our concerns to the Committee regarding their new policy and suggest that they consider limiting campus news submissions to delegates only.”

SUNYLA Publications Committee
Ellen McCabe, Chair

March 20, 2009

Members of the Publications Committee: Lori Annesi (Monroe), Jim Coan (Oneonta), Linda Gorman (Nassau), Gerry Leibowitz (Nassau), Jennifer Little (Brockport), Ellen McCabe (Cortland) (chair), Shannon Pritting (Oswego), Jennifer Smathers (Brockport).

From the financial end of things, \$500 from the SUNYLA board was deposited in the publications account. A payment of \$265 was sent to Brockport for the printing of the last newsletter, so we have about \$393 left in the account now.

A news issue came up when an individual SUNYLA member sent in news items without his/her delegate's knowledge. As a committee we made a decision on the news items and have come up with the following statement: "Any current SUNYLA member may make submissions to the newsletter, though they are strongly encouraged to submit items through their SUNYLA delegate."

Issues of the SUNYLA newsletter are available at the SUNYLA website; the most recent issue is at:
http://www.sunyla.org/joomlaprod/index.php?option=com_docman&Itemid=126

Hard copies will continue to be distributed to individual campuses. Please let us know about changes in membership and need for multiple copies.

Thank you for all the items submitted to the Newsletter. The Committee would appreciate any news or reports. The next issue due date is April 15, 2009. Please send items to Shannon Pritting pritting@oswego.edu or Jennifer Smathers jsmather@brockport.edu

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen McCabe (Chair)

Ellen McCabe, SUNY College at Cortland, ellen.mccabe@cortland.edu (607) 753-4051

4.8 Web Development – Wendi Ackerman & Amanda Hollister

There is now a single email address for website corrections, questions, etc. → sunylawebmanager@gmail.com

no written report

5. Liaison Reports (Note: John Schumacher's reports were moved up on the agenda to allow him to leave early for another meeting. Original numbering of agenda items has been preserved.)

5.7 OLIS – John Schumacher

Question from Bill Drew: Which SUNY person is on the NOVEL committee for the databases? He is concerned about contract dates leading to loss of access in mid-semester. John: Someone from Corning, maybe Amy Dibble, not sure.

SUNY Office of Library and Information Services
Report to SUNYLA Executive Board/Council
John Schumacher (john.schumacher@suny.edu)
February 20, 2009

SUNYConnect LMS

- Service pack 1871 upgrade for shared servers:
 - DEV regions – completed January 2009
 - PROD regions – Seneca (18 campuses) and Saranac (22 campuses) completed February 2009
 - PROD region – Delaware (16 campuses) completed February 2009
- Process has been streamlined to minimize both DEV and PROD downtime
Additional information available in the OLIS Documents area - <http://tinyurl.com/4zuoul>

360Search

- SUNY has reached agreement with Serials Solutions for their 360Search federated search software and service. More than half of the SUNY libraries are participating via attractive pricing from the vendor. <http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/sunyergy/40federatedsearch.htm> includes campus listing and additional information. Pricing information - http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/olisdocs/public/360_Search/360_Search_campus_pricing.doc

Electronic Resources

- The survey results related to the SUNYConnect resources provided by EBSCO are available via <http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/sunyergy/40ebSCO.htm>
- Gale/Cengage Learning has made their LitFinder resource (<http://www.galegroup.com/servlet/ItemDetailServlet?region=9&imprint=000&titleCode=ROTH&cf=n&type=4&id=220537>) freely available to SUNYConnect libraries for all of 2009. In addition, the vendor has offered SUNYConnect 2009 renewals (for Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center and Gale Virtual Reference Library hosting fees) at no price increase.
- The New York State Library has announced changes to the list of NOVEL databases (as of April 1, 2009) <http://novelnewyork.org/09dbfaq.php>

- *The Chronicle of Higher Education* has offered volume discounts if additional SUNY campuses sign up for site licenses. Details can be found in OLIS Documents – <http://tinyurl.com/byznxy>

SUNY/Elsevier Contract Working Group & ScienceDirect

- The second meeting with Elsevier is scheduled for February 23, 2009. SUNY has submitted counter proposals to the publisher.

OLIS

- The SUNY Office of Library and Information Services extends congratulations and best wishes for many years of success to incoming (June 2009) SUNY chancellor Dr. Nancy Zimpher (<http://www.suny.edu/communications/releases/ZimpherNamedChancellor.cfm>)

SUNYConnect Information / Resources

- For additional information about SUNYConnect
<http://www.SUNYConnect.suny.edu/>
<http://sefer.SUNYConnect.suny.edu/olis/sunergy/default.htm>
- OLIS' Footprints Service Request System <http://service.sunyconnect.suny.edu/footprints/help.html>
- SUNYConnect union catalog
<http://union.sunyconnect.suny.edu:8080/F>
- OLIS Documents Area
<http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/olisdocs/>
- The OLIS web log - <http://www.sunyconnect.suny.edu/blog/>

5.8 UUP – John Schumacher

John urged people to visit the UUP website and use the letters and such there to voice their support for funding SUNY. John reported that UUP is opposed to the Tier 5 proposal from the governor, there is a letter about this on the website as well. John also provided an update about the A48 committee—more info will be posted on the Ning site.

UUP Liaison Report

John Schumacher (Central@uupmail.org)
SUNYLA Executive Board/Council
February 20, 2009

United University Professions (UUP) is the union representing more than 34,000 academic and professional faculty on 29 State University of New York campuses, plus System Administration, Empire State College, and the New York State Theatre Institute. UUP is affiliated with the New York State United Teachers and the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO.

SUNY Budget / SUNY is the \$olution

- Budget battles continue. Please do your part in support of public higher education and SUNY. Go to <http://www.uupinfo.org/stop.html> to take action (please share this link with colleagues, friends and family).
- Governor has proposed a \$25 million cut to SUNY hospitals. Support SUNY's public hospitals - http://salsa.wiredforchange.com/o/1373/t/2795/campaign.jsp?campaign_KEY=2515
- Tuesday is SUNY advocacy day. Please consider joining UUP colleagues in advocating for SUNY in Albany. More information available at your campus' UUP chapter office or here.

New Chancellor

- UUP statement in response to announcement of new SUNY chancellor - <http://www.uupinfo.org/communications/release09/090210.html>
- <http://www.suny.edu/communications/releases/ZimpherNamedChancellor.cfm>

Appendix 48 Committee

- The Appendix 48 Committee is the executive level group focused on librarian equity issues. Members -- Patty Bentley (Plattsburgh), Dan Harms (SUNYLA/Cortland), Dave Ritchie (Cortland) and John Schumacher (System Administration).
- Initial meeting re-scheduled to January 29, 2009. Committee met with UUP statewide officers and staff to review the group's charge and to begin process of strategy development.
- The A48 Committee will be seeking information on appointment, tenure and promotion policies, procedures and war stories for those with librarian titles at UUP represented SUNYs.
- Colleagues are urged to use the <http://sunylauup.ning.com> site for discussion and communication.

Pay Raises, etc.

- UUP has filed class action grievances against the governor's proposal to eliminate the negotiated 2009 pay increase, to lag pay and other related proposals. Here's UUP's statement on those particular proposals - <http://www.uupinfo.org/communications/release09/090204.html>

NYSTI

- UUP opposes the proposed merger of the New York State Theater Institute with The Egg. You can join in this via http://salsa.wiredforchange.com/o/1373/t/2795/campaign.jsp?campaign_KEY=2516

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5.1 FACT – Mark Smith

Report: SUNYLA Liaison to SUNY FACT Council

Mark A. Smith
SUNY Ceramics at Alfred University
March, 2009

CIT 2009

Registration is Open for CIT 2009 - May 19-22 at SUNY Oswego

Conference information, registration & brochures available at <http://www.cit.suny.edu>.

Keynote Speaker – Elizabeth Lane Lawley
Director of the Lab for Social Computing
Associate Professor of Information Technology at the Rochester Institute of Technology

- Register early ... Registration is just \$150 till May 3, 2009. After May 3rd registration will increase to \$175. Registration ***covers all meals*** and conference materials.
- New: CPD member campuses can use their CPD points to pay for on-campus (dorm) housing!
- Scholarships Available! A limited number of \$100 FACT Scholarships to attend CIT. Please refer to the 'Scholarship' link on the CIT website for additional information and instructions on how to submit your 'Statement of Interest' ***by April 10th***.

SUNY FACT Representation on NMC Horizon Report Advisory Board

FACT Council members Lisa Stephens (UB), Graham Glynn (Stony Brook), Mark Smith (Ceramics), and Joan Falkenberg Getman (Cornell) were honored with appointments to the New Media Consortium's Horizon Project Advisory Board. This board assists in producing the Annual NMC/Educause "Horizon Report." The Horizon Project analyzes and predicts the impact of emerging technologies and anticipates time horizons for the adoption of new technologies in higher education. SUNY representation in this esteemed national forum is significant and currently includes a SUNY library voice. The 2009 Horizon Report is available via download from <http://www.nmc.org/pdf/2009-Horizon-Report.pdf>

FACT Advocates for Restoration of SCAP (Student Access to Computing Program) Funds

As a result of current University budget cuts, Student Access to Computing Program funds have been eliminated for this fiscal year. The council has communicated its concern to SUNY administration and reiterated a call for restoration in the coming fiscal year. Several FACT members have been informally assured that this is not a permanent program cut.

SUNY FACT Sponsors COCID Conference .. Friday, April 3 @ SUNYIT -

Integrating the Virtual World: Creating an Intersection with the Virtual and Real to Enhance Learning

Examining a variety of topics related to the virtual world in higher education.

Keynote Speaker: Bret Ingerman: "The Evolution of the Internet: Using 'Virtual Worlds' to Enhance Teaching, Learning, and Scholarly Research."

For more information or to register, visit <http://sunyit.edu/cocid>

5.2 LACUNY – Kadri Niider

LACUNY Liaison Report

SUNYLA Executive Board/Council
Kadri Niider (kniider@sunyopt.edu)
March 20, 2009

LACUNY, the Librarians Association of City University of New York (<http://lacuny.cuny.edu/>), is interested in collaborating with SUNYLA. I have attended three of their Executive Council Meetings (November 2008, February and March 2009). Minutes from the November 14, 2008 meeting are available online (<http://lacuny.cuny.edu/committees/execcouncil.html>).

Highlights from the meetings:

- **Mentoring Roundtable** proposed and created -- mentoring for new librarians to help them along their tenure track
- **International Relations Roundtable** (IRRT) proposed and created -- forum for information sharing and program sponsoring
- Discussion of communication issues with CUNY's **IT department**
- **Scholarship** for CUNY library interns

- **LACUNY in DSpace** (<http://dspace.nitle.org/handle/10090/6439>)
- **Overview of some programs**, past and future:
 - LACUNY Institute Greening Libraries/Greener Communities in October 2008 was very successful -- program indicates that Fred Stoss, Associate Librarian, University at Buffalo SUNY was the afternoon keynote speaker (<http://library.hunter.cuny.edu/lacunygreening.html>)
 - From Transaction to Interaction: Transforming the User Experience (UX) -- for librarians, IT, and media on Friday, April 24, 2009, keynote speaker Dr. William Gribbons (<http://library.hunter.cuny.edu/pdf/2009UXFlyer-3.pdf>)
 - ACRL Road Show -- in the planning, asking for SUNYLA co-sponsorship (<http://acrl.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/issues/scholarlycomm/roadshow.cfm>)

Other issues discussed included: Web site re-do, boosting membership, re-organizing Aleph committees, planning technology conference. Last week they asked about IDS -- I could tell them only that our college has joined ILLiad.

(Background: In October 2008, Jane Fitzpatrick of the CUNY Graduate Center and Vice-President of LACUNY invited SUNYLA librarians to volunteer for liaison between the two organizations; Lori Gluckman was previously. Jane was formerly at SUNY Maritime.)

5.3 NYLA – Wendy West

Wendy officially appointed as liaison. Wendy reported that NYLA is intrigued by this relationship but wants to what we want from them and how we expect the relationship to work. Wendy asked Dan Harms if he would be contacting them to make this a formal arrangement. Dan: Yes. A general discussion followed focused on information sharing, especially with regard to academic issues.

5.4 Nylink – Ann Gunning

Ann reported that they are still in negotiation with OCLC regarding changes in the business model. They will still be able to offer special pricing on FirstSearch packages and the prices should not go up for next year. They are pilot testing a new service for serials holdings maintenance using CUFTS.

Nylink Liaison Report SUNYLA EXECUTIVE BOARD / COUNCIL MEETING March 20, 2009 / Submitted by Ann Gunning

News:

LAND Delivery Service: New York Public Library joined LAND as a participant effective March 18. Continue to contact Jon Penn at Nylink with any LAND questions or concerns (800-342-3353; pennj@nylink.org) and/or visit Nylink's web site at <http://nylink.org/delivery/> for practical tools and information that support your use of LAND.

Nylink Serials Holdings Maintenance Service: Currently being pilot-tested by 5 libraries, this Nylink-originated service will offer comprehensive serials holdings maintenance. Designed to facilitate accurate inward and outward facing serials holdings, the service will also offer streamlined local holdings updates to common resource sharing platforms. The projected launch date is April 2009. The features include a hosted ERM, an e-journal aggregation knowledgebase, an A-Z list service, and participation in Nylink's group local holdings maintenance service. Optional MARC record services will also be available. More information available at <http://nylink.org/cts/NSHMS.cfm>.

Nylink and Media Flex Form Partnership: Nylink is pleased to announce a partnership with New York-based library services company Media Flex to market and support the OPALS™ OPen-source Automated Library System. More details to become available in the coming weeks. Read the full announcement on Nylink's *Status Line* blog at <http://nylink.org/SL/index.php/archives/112>.

Events:

A Conversation With Dave: Regional Meetings With Nylink's Executive Director David Penniman -- Meetings are taking place all around the state this week and next to share information and obtain feedback regarding current Nylink services, new services launching this spring, and Nylink's revised membership structure. Dave will be in Buffalo on March 23, in Rochester and Syracuse on March 24, in Albany on March 25, and at St. Lawrence University on March 27. We hope to have additional meetings in Binghamton and on Long Island. Complete details available at <http://nylink.org/events/regional09.cfm>.

Nylink's Annual Meeting moves from the Gideon Putnam Hotel in Saratoga Springs to the Wallace Center at the FDR Library in Hyde Park and will be a one-day (instead of two-day) conference on Friday, **May 8, 2009**. With the theme **"Disruptive Change at Libraries: Thriving and Reviving,"** the conference offers a lineup of speakers with ideas to inspire and invigorate. Keynote speaker Joe Lucia, University Librarian and Director of the Falvey Memorial Library at Villanova University, is recently known for his leadership in his library's development of the VuFind open source next-generation library catalog. Registration is now available at the Nylink web site at <http://nylink.org/events/thrive09.cfm>.

Nylink Achievement and Leadership Awards: Nominations are due April 3 for individuals and institutions from among Nylink's membership. Recipients will be honored at Nylink's Annual Meeting on May 8. Complete details regarding the nomination process are available at <http://nylink.org/membership/nc/ncawards.cfm>.

Annual subscription renewals:

OCLC Cataloging and Resource Sharing – Annual subscription renewal pricing is available and is loaded onto the My Nylink portal for review and confirmation by Nylink member libraries. Library directors along with designated cataloging and resource sharing contacts were notified by e-mail this week. Libraries will notice a decrease in their costs for the July 2009-June 2010 subscription year.

Electronic Resources renewals – Nylink is in the process of obtaining pricing for 2009-2010 and loading it into My Nylink so that our member libraries can review their subscription renewal costs there and take action on their renewals. Designated electronic resources contacts at our member libraries will be notified by e-mail once the renewal information is available. Here is some general information we have so far:

- **LexisNexis Academic:** LexisNexis has agreed to waive their 2.5% annual increase on LexisNexis Academic and all other LexisNexis Web products available through library consortia such as Nylink for the 2009-2010 subscription year. LexisNexis has also agreed to use the same FTE as recorded for the 2008-2009 renewal year (fall 2007 FTE). However, if your library's fall 2008 FTE is lower than your fall 2007 FTE, the lower of the two figures will be used to calculate your renewal price. In addition, Nylink will be able to offer LexisNexis Academic to our members at \$1.89/ FTE, which is \$.01 less per FTE than last year's renewal pricing. More information at <http://nylink.org/SL/index.php/archives/107>.
- **OCLC FirstSearch:** Nylink is again offering special discounts to individual institutions for the FirstSearch Base Package and the OCLC Collection package via the New York State Aggregated FirstSearch pricing program. Libraries typically realize an average savings of 32% off national pricing. OCLC has not increased the rates included with this offer for 2009-2010. Nylink also offers discounted group pricing for the MLA and GeoRef databases on FirstSearch. In addition, discounted group pricing is available to academic and community college libraries for Wilson Select Plus as an add-on to the Base Package or OCLC Collection, and for WorldCat.

FirstSearch per-search pricing is also not increasing for 2009-2010 with the cost remaining at \$525 per block of 500 searches for OCLC member libraries (i.e., libraries that participate in OCLC cataloging and/or resource sharing). The nonmember per-search price is \$600 per block.

FirstSearch price lists are available for viewing in My Nylink (click on "Price Lists" in the navigation menu).

5.5 NY3Rs – Tessa Killian

Tessa reported that CCDA will be cut 10.83% next year. Question from Bill Drew: Regarding ILLiad training & support being offered by RRLC, does this indicate a broad change in practice? Ann Gunning: No.

NY3R's Report

CLRC

- CLRC has been very busy with a new digitization initiative. The Council recently purchased CONTENTdm, which is being hosted by Syracuse University. Liverpool Public Library and Fayetteville Free Library have partnered with the Council on a pilot project to give access to local historical resources that would otherwise be unavailable on the internet. While this project is in its initial stages, the Council is very excited about this project and is anxious to see this project grow into a region-wide resource, with many libraries and historical associations participating.
- Virtual reference is in its second year in the CLRC region. We now have 6 academic libraries and both public library systems using Ask Us 24/7. Angela Thor, CLRC's medical circuit librarian has also been participating, answering medical queries from around the country.
- Upcoming Continuing Education events include:
 - 3/25/2009: Selling Yourself: Best Practices for Getting Your Foot in the Door (a resume/cover letter writing and interview skills workshop).
 - 4/20/2009: Recruiting and Managing Your Volunteers Effectively
 - 5/7/2009: Microsoft Transitions Class: Going From Microsoft 2003 to Microsoft 2007
 - 5/28/2009: Extensible Catalog (XC) Workshop
 - 6/5/2009: Annual Interlibrary Loan Workshop

Metro

[Digital Dilemmas Symposium: Challenges, Opportunities, Solutions](#)

When: Thursday, April 16, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Check-in and light breakfast begin at 8:30 a.m.)

Fee: \$125 METRO members and students; \$175 nonmembers

Location: William and Anita Newman Conference Center at Baruch College, 151 East 25th Street in Manhattan

Register for this symposium: <http://bit.ly/xJF0>

Digital Dilemmas is a full-day symposium that brings together nationally recognized experts who will outline the primary challenges facing libraries in a digital world; provide an understanding of the digital information economy and its effect on scholarship; and suggest future opportunities for libraries.

The symposium, which is hosted by METRO and sponsored in part by OCLC, will provide librarians and library administrators with the opportunity to learn from leaders in the field and network with colleagues from the region working to address these challenges and seize potential opportunities.

Presenters include Clifford Lynch (Director, Coalition for Networked Information), Evan Owens (Chief Technology Officer, Portico), Roger Schonfeld (Research Manager, Ithaka), Patricia Aufderheide (Director, Center for Social Media, American University), and Dan Cohen (Director, Center for History and New Media, George Mason University).

View a detailed description of the symposium agenda: <http://bit.ly/110erG>

For more information, contact Jason Kucsma, Emerging Technologies Manager, at (212) 228-2320 Ext 23 or jkucsma@metro.org.

Southeastern NY Library Resources Council

Digitization:

SENYLRC continues to add collections to Hudson River Valley Heritage (HRVH) <http://www.hrvh.org/> Coming soon - our first school contribution from the Trinity Pawling School. Working on a new exhibit page for the Hudson Valley Atlas Collection

The HRVH Historical Newspaper project is underway, using an enhanced Greenstone open source platform. The Kingston Daily is the pilot paper to be digitized. The pilot project will be complete in a few months with ten years, 1903-1912, of The Kingston Freeman digitized and online.

Voices of the Hudson Valley is an oral history planning grant. We are currently analyzing the results of a regional survey on oral history collections owned by libraries, archives, museums, and historical societies. The pilot project will be to reformat and produce some of the oral history holdings at the Stone Ridge Library.

Continuing Education

Information Commons 2.0: Lessons Learned and Moving Forward,

Thursday, May 7, 2009 at The Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home in Hyde Park, NY.

Register online at www.senylrc.org/reg/.

Morning keynote speaker, Dr. D. Russell Bailey, is the co-author of Transforming Library Service through Information Commons: Case Studies for the Digital Age. The 2008 ALA publication showcases the 20 year-old movement as an exciting model of library innovation that blends new technologies and human expertise across newly reconfigured spaces to better help the library user in pursuit of learning.

Speakers for the event include

Dr. D. Russell Bailey, Director of the Phillips Memorial Library at Providence College as our keynote speaker;

David Murray, Executive Director, Bankier Library at Brookdale Community College, Lincroft, NJ;

Gail Wood, Director of Libraries, SUNY Cortland

Randall Ericson, Couper Librarian, Hamilton College, Clinton, NY.

These library directors will share lessons learned from the process of implementing an information commons in their respective libraries. There will be ample time for audience members to ask questions. We also are inviting a small number of architect firms and space designer experts to showcase their concepts.

5.6 SAC – Dave Ritchie

Comment from Bill Drew: He still dislikes the “diversifying” project excluding recreational use, one person’s recreation is another’s research. Dave: Perhaps this could be addressed by changes to the ILLiad request form to allow the requestor to state whether it is for research or recreation.

Report to SUNYLA Council and Librarians from the SUNYConnect Advisory Council Liaison, as of March 19 2009

February meeting – The February 2009 SAC meeting followed up by tweaking the draft pilot proposal “Diversifying SUNY Collections”, which is to be part of the SAC presentation at the April 20th SUNY Council of Library Directors meeting. (See below.) Along with that piece, another initiative that came out of the January “conversation” was Cyril Oberlander’s preview of what the “Getting It” purchase-on-demand workflow enabler that IDS is developing might look like. This and an updated Illiad patron info form might provide an efficient mechanism for making the “Diversifying” pilot work. (See below.)

SUNYConnect Financial Plan follow-up – Library director Jon Grennan had asked SAC to consider whether the LAND costing model needed some work, citing the pressures on his campus to economize, and he proposed including the low volume at some campuses as an additional factor in the allocation of costs. Since SUNY is charged the same for each campus in the present LAND contract and since the current proposed financial plan is predicated on an “actual-cost” model, SAC decided to put this on its agenda to analyze and work on during this coming year.

“Diversifying SUNY Collections” draft pilot proposal – The major tweaks that have been made in the proposal are the following (one of them almost certainly prompted by the discussion on the SUNYLA list):

-- specifying that the requested title will have been specifically requested by a SUNY faculty member or student via Interlibrary Loan; and

-- clarifying that the requested title support an independent research need of the requestor by defining the terms

“Independent - meaning not an assigned reading or textbook that students are expected to purchase” and “Research need - meaning not recreational use”.

“Getting It” purchase-on-demand workflow enabler – I include below, with his permission, an image taken from Cyril Oberlander’s January presentation to SAC. This is a possible mock-up of what I could describe as a “command center” screen might look like for an ILLiad request which has been flagged (because it fits certain parameters) for staff review for possible purchase on demand. Along with making some changes to the Illiad patron form to optionally solicit more info from the patron at time of request, IDS will be developing “Getting It” as a add-on function for Illiad for Summer 2009, as you can see from this website link: <http://idsproject.org/Tools/GIST.aspx>

In the mock-up below, Cyril shows:

TOP - the Book Request info in the top left box, the availability in the local catalog and perhaps the SUNY Union catalog in the “Local Info” top center box, and WorldCat availability as well as purchase prices from Amazon and Barnes & Noble in the “Auto-Search” top right box;

MIDDLE “Get/Deliver” section – here are the links and greater details from the “Auto-Search” box above;

BOTTOM “Next Steps” section – includes patron info and preferences, and functions.

| Transforming Workflow— Personalizing like RSS | | | |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">Book Request (Edit)</p> <p>Digital Libraries: integrating content and systems <u>Standard #:</u> OCLC: 70264471 Req. by: Cyril Oberlander, Faculty Purchase Request? N/A Source: WorldCat.org</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Local Source (Edit)</p> <p>Digital Libraries: integrating content and systems. 2006 Checked Out: Due Never Hold: 1 Times Checked Out: 5 3 copies in SUNY CCD / IDS Project <u>Create Hold?</u></p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Auto-Search (Edit)</p> <p><u>Worldcat</u> OCLG# (6 records, 80 holdings) (MEW) <u>Purchasing Sources</u> Amazon Buy for \$99.94 Barnes & Noble Buy for \$59.95 <u>Search Engine</u> <u>OAI Repositories</u></p> | |
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| Next Step (Edit) | | | |
| <p><u>Cyril Oberlander</u>: cyril@geneseo.edu, W: 434-243-2282, F: 434-924-4337, <u>Mail</u>, AIM: <u>electroniccyril</u> <u>Chat</u> No Fees, prefers electronic delivery, away December, 2006. Edit Process: <u>Fill Electronic</u>, <u>Cancel</u>, <u>Contact Cyril</u>, <u>Contact Source</u> <u>Add Note/Task</u></p> | | | |

Aleph and E-Resources - Since John Schumacher shares an OLIS update and E-Resources update as part of his OLIS report, I have not repeated those here.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Ritchie
 SUNYLA Liaison to SAC
 3/19/09

6. Old Business

6.1 AskUs 24/7 Resolution – Bill Drew

Approved.

SUNYLA AskUs 24/7 Resolution

WHEREAS, SUNY libraries may have an unfilled need to provide reference services to their patrons when the library is closed; and

WHEREAS, due to current and future budget constraints, there is a need to find a low cost way to provide reference services outside of normal operating hours; and

WHEREAS, joining Ask Us 24/7 will lead to collaboration amongst SUNY libraries to make the transition easier and the service more effective for the specific needs of SUNY; and

WHEREAS, AskUs 24/7 is now available to all libraries in New York State at a very reasonable rate; therefore be it RESOLVED, that SUNYLA supports the use of AskUs 24/7 as one viable avenue for extending reference services beyond normal operating hours; and be it further

RESOLVED, that SUNYLA urges library directors to seriously consider subscribing to AskUs 24/7 when it becomes available through the local 3Rs council; and be it further

RESOLVED, that SUNYLA endorses the AskUs 24/7 policy that this service is intended as supplement to rather than a replacement for traditional reference services.

6.2 SUNYLA Advocacy Task Force – Dan Harms

Dan asked for interested parties. Bill Drew said yes and suggested someone from NYLA be included, either Wendy West or someone else. Maybe consider past Presidents as well.

6.3 Survey of Delegates, Chairs, etc. – Dan Harms, Logan Rath, April Davies

Dan, Logan, & April shared current draft of the survey questions. Logan will do a direct send to the delegates (getting the email addresses from Bill Drew). Suggestion from Jill Yaples: Distinguish between release time and time to participate. [Note: Logan and April discussed the survey in more detail immediately following the meeting and shared it with survey-guru Stephan Macaluso to get his ideas.]

7. New Business

7.1 Archives Report – Dan Harms

Dan has the stuff now. UB is open to getting more from us. Suggestion from Bill Drew: We should post UB's finding aid on our website. Question from Logan Rath: Could we see if e-delivery of items in the materials housed at UB is possible? Suggestion from Marianne Hebert: We should review our archives collection development policy. Further discussion followed. Dan asked for people to serve on a task force as this is clearly not just a matter of dropping the boxes off at Buffalo. Marianne volunteered. Dan will put out a call for other participants.

7.2 CCD Grants – April Davies

April shared a draft of a letter (below) of concern regarding the CCDA program. The letter was prompted by discussions at February meeting. Question from Marianne Hebert: Asked for more info regarding 'maintenance of effort.' April: Must maintain 95% of the average of last 2 years' acquisitions budget. Comment from Bill Drew: Saw the letters from the State Library recently and thinks they said something about relaxing this requirement for the coming year. April & others: Haven't gotten any info on this at their campuses. General discussion that even if this has happened, we should still do the letter so as to go on record about the issue. Comment from Bill: Should be cc'd to director of NYLA, all the 3R's, state librarian, SCLD, etc. Approved in concept, April will send to Dan for final polishing and he will send out.

Dear [whomever],

On behalf of the SUNY Librarians Association, I am writing to express our concerns regarding the Coordinated Collection Development Aid (CCDA) program.

In these trying economic times it is no surprise that libraries throughout SUNY and beyond are experiencing dramatic budget cuts. Unfortunately, these cuts will make many libraries unable to meet the "maintenance of effort" requirement of the CCDA program next year. We are **concerned/worried** that libraries will, in a sense, be penalized for the global economic crisis by losing their eligibility for this important grant program.

As these budget cuts are systemic and not an effort to reduce budgets because of CCDA grant monies received, we urge **[the state library / 3r's / commissioner / who?]** to waive the maintenance of effort requirement for the coming year.

Thank you for your time and attention,

Daniel Harms
President, SUNYLA

7.3 Friend of SUNYLA

Approved unanimously. Name and letter of nomination not included here to help preserve the surprise.

7.4 LACUNY Partnership on ACRL Road Show

Kadri Niider reported that LACUNY wants to host an ACRL Road Trip on Scholarly Communication 101 (link to more info is included in the LACUNY report) and would like SUNYLA to "be a participant." This would entail providing two volunteers and splitting the cost of refreshments. General discussion followed. Joanne Spadaro: SUNYLA should have a table with info about SUNYLA at the event. Logan Rath: We should ask for a discount and/or reserved spots for our members. More assorted discussion. Motion made to just say yes since this would be beneficial to our members and the cost will be low. Approved.