

ALL-SIS Collection Development Committee Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2008

Those present:

- Ajaye Bloomstone LSU Law Library
 - *Courtney Selby (chair)University of Tulsa Mabee Legal Information Center
 - *Casey Duncan University of Texas Tarlton Law Library
 - Marie Hamm Regent University Law Library
 - Marlene Harmon UC Berkeley-Boalt
 - *Edward M. "Ted" McClure Phoenix School of Law
 - *Barbara Monroe Georgetown Law Library
 - *Karen A. Nuckolls University of Kentucky Law Library
 - Eric Parker Northwestern University
 - *Michelle Pearse Harvard Law School Library
 - Latha Rangarajan University of Detroit Mercy Law Library
 - *Sara Repinski University of South Carolina Law Library
 - *Merle Slyhoff Biddle Law Library, University of Pennsylvania
 - *Jane Woldow Vermont Law School
- (*indicates 2008 committee member)

- Merle Slyhoff began the meeting by reporting on the projects undertaken during the 2007-2008 academic year.
 - The committee has been working toward a more rich and relevant web site (<http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/committees/colldev/index.asp>). Three new lists of collection development resources have been prepared for the committee web site. The lists were prepared by Sara Repinski, Karen Nuckolls and Marlene Harmon. Lists will be consolidated and forwarded to the new chair for inclusion on the web site.
 - The committee will continue to make all information on the collection development committee site available to all members of AALL. Because we have a commitment to working with TS-SIS for the collection of acquisitions policies, TS-SIS will place a link on their site to the committee's Collection Development Policies list.
 - The Collection Development Roundtable will be Monday, July 14th from 12:00-1:15. Participants will discuss Collection Development Tools and use the results of the conversation to augment resources listed on the committee's web site. Specifically, the collection developments contact list will be expanded to include information about the particular jobbers/vendors used by various law library collection development librarians.
 - Connie Lenz will be having a meeting of collection development librarians from the top 25 law schools during the 2008 annual meeting. They will discuss the function and purpose of the group and report back to the committee chair with information about the direction of the group.
 - Courtney Selby reported on the completion of the updating project for the collection development policies and contacts pages on the committee site. The project was undertaken by Courtney and Paul Howard and updates to the site were completed by Diane Murley, ALL-SIS webmaster.
- Merle Slyhoff turned the meeting over to Courtney Selby for discussion of projects and program ideas for the upcoming year.
 - Barbara Monroe proposed a project for the 2008-2009 academic year matching libraries in other countries with potential donor libraries inside the United States. The project's objective would be to help find international libraries in which to place many of the excess donations received by American academic law libraries. Corporate sponsorship could be considered for covering the cost of

postage/shipping. Barbara agreed to move forward with the idea, possibly contacting IALL to see if they have some helpful resources. Mention was also made of the Tribal Libraries book donation program, which serves a similar function with respect to tribal libraries in the United States. Contact for this program is Faye Hadley at the Univ. of Tulsa. A preliminary task force to pursue this project will be headed by Barbara Monroe & Michelle Pearse.

- Collection Development Policies & Contacts pages will be updated again in the spring of 2009. Ted McClure, Jane Waldo & Casey Duncan will undertake this task. Courtney will forward copies of the e-mails and spreadsheets used for the project during the last two years for the group's use. This year's updating will include additional questions not included last year. These questions will relate to the collection tools being used by collection development librarians. This information will be added to that gathered in the roundtable and included on the committee's site. Some discussion arose about the possibility of adding this information in the form of a wiki. Courtney will check with Chris Siwa at AALL to determine if this is something that can be done.
- Merle Slyhoff & Sara Repinski agreed to begin work on a project related to the "greening" of collection development. (additional volunteers for this project are Matthew Wright of UNLV, Kory Staheli of BYU and Pat Roncevich of Univ. of Pittsburgh) The project will focus on reducing the amount of excess marketing mailing done by vendors in favor of more environmentally friendly options.
- Courtney will contact the other SIS chairs to determine if any other SIS has a committee on collection development. It was noted that TS-SIS does have a committee on acquisitions. If such committees do exist in other SIS's, it is hoped that we can share information for mutual benefit.
- The following program ideas were offered for next year's conference. It was noted that program proposals are due by August 15th, and that our proposals should be ready to be reviewed by ALL-SIS for sponsorship prior to this deadline.
 - A program focused on weeding (specific to serials and/or periodicals) was generally discussed. This will be fleshed out by Karen Nuckolls, Marlene Hammon, Michelle Pearse & Courtney Selby. Peggy Johnson was discussed as a possible speaker, but further conversation was deferred to the 4 volunteers.
 - A program focused on law libraries and e-books is already being developed by Merle Slyhoff. The program would look at how e-books are being used in libraries and how collection development librarians will be impacted by their inclusion in the collection. Gordon Russell was mentioned as a possible speaker.
- All volunteers agreed to continue the projects assigned during the meeting. The meeting was adjourned.