

GLA Leadership Conference Information Technology Interest Group Meeting

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This meeting of the Information Technology Interest Group (ITIG) focused on our involvement with the annual GLA conference, filling vacant officer positions, and investigating changes to our entry in the GLA handbook.

There seems to be an emerging concept of tracks (presentations, workshops, etc. scheduled in sequence or proximity and focusing on a specific audience or topic) at the conference specifically technology tracks.

The group brainstormed the concept of technology tracks and came up with the following samples:

*Tracks by type of library/audience (public, academic, school, special, etc.)

*Skill Level (nuts-and-bolts, beginner to advanced)

*Functions such as applications (PowerPoint, E-mail, Virus Software, FrontPage, etc.), Issues/Visions/ Services (ADA, Emerging Technologies, Filtering, CIPA, Wireless Services), and Web (Development and Use)

These are just initial ideas to get the group started and we are open to further discussion and refinement.

Our intention is to communicate with the other interest groups and committees to see what program proposals they are thinking of that have technology aspects. We also think it would be best to coordinate our ideas with the GLA conference committee to make sure we are working with GAIT as they schedule the 2002 conference in Athens.

The ITIG web site and e-mail will strive to be a central clearinghouse to recruit program proposals that support the conference at large. At the very least we should be able to identify programs in the schedule to provide even a “rough” list of technology presentations at the conference.

There were two officer positions open, vice-chair and secretary. Doug has previously sent out an e-mail to the GLA listserv soliciting nominations before the meeting. Nominations from the floor were solicited. Shannon Duffy from the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library was voted in as vice-chair and accepted later via a phone call. The secretary position is still unfilled.

The ITIG entry in the handbook needs to be edited to include web/internet aspects and also to re-define quorum at our next meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Doug Goans, Chair