Georgia Library Association (GLA), Mid-Winter Planning Meeting

Academic Library Division
Clayton State University, Downs Center for Continuing Education
11:00a.m. – 11:45a.m., Room 101
January 11, 2013

Introductions and Welcome

Kara Mullen, Clayton State University, Chair of the Academic Library Division for 2013, brought the meeting to order at 11:03a.m. She welcomed everyone and recognized attendees who were attending GLA Mid-Winter for the first time. There were several new attendees and Kara encouraged us all to network with them during lunch.

2013 Executive Committee

Kara Mullen, (Clayton State University), Chair
Rhonda McCoy, (Paine College), Vice-Chair/Chair Elect
La Loria Konata, (Georgia State University), Secretary
Sarah Steiner, (Georgia State University), ACRL Representative
Katherine Ott, (Clayton State University), Past Chair

ACRL Chapters Council Representative Report
Report from Amy Eklund, ACRL Representative, 2011-2012

Amy reported that this year had more of a transition than usual as she was not able to attend ALA. Sarah Steiner attended ALA in her place and has posted her report on the ALD website, see:
http://gla.georgialibraries.org/div_ald_ACRLreport_2012_0624.pdf . Amy highlighted things from the Chapter Council that were initiated and other things she is involved with - Chapter Council survey working group; and ALA Chapter Blog (http://acrl.ala.org/acrlchapters/).

The ACRL Chapters Council formed a working group and conducted a survey to explore the relationship with ACRL National and its chapters. For the report on the survey see: http://acrl.ala.org/acrlchapters/?p=180 . For the survey results see, http://acrl.ala.org/acrlchapters/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/CCSurveyResultsFinal.pdf The survey looked at funding situations for the chapter which shows dollar per member benefit by ACRL is not much. The purpose of the survey was to gage satisfaction with programs in general and promote the relationship in a more satisfactory way. One of the outcomes from the survey is that they determined that Chapters Council in conjunction with ACRL should provide orientation for Chapter leaders to inform them of the assistance that they can receive from ACRL. There used to be an orientation session as part of the Chapters Council meeting but that was when the meeting was four hours long. Now the meeting is 60 minutes or 90 minutes, so that portion had been cut. So, they are working on an orientation session which will hopefully lead to more engaged chapters though we have a very engaged chapter. To provide chapters with more support, ACRL is providing chapters with two complimentary registrations for the ACRL e-Learning Webcasts, http://www.ala.org/acrl/webcasts . Amy then reminded everyone of communication and information channels of what's going on at ACRL and Chapters' Council in particular:

- Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/ACRLChaptersCouncil
- Chapters Topic Newsletter which is linked from ALD's page, contains an archive of all the newsletters: http://www.ala.org/acrl/aboutacrl/directoryofleadership/chapters/topics/chaptertopics

I'm still blog co-administrator, so if you have ideas for blog posts that are mainly geared towards chapters' officers, but this is a wide academic audience, so please let me or Sarah know. It's been a privilege and honor to represent you, so thanks for the opportunity.

Kara restated that ALD does have two complimentary webcasts. We will have a host site and come together to view them. The caveat is that you cannot sit at your individual computer and watch. Kara read some of the upcoming webcasts:

February 2013
- The Crisis in Academic Libraries (and Why This is the Best Thing Ever) (February 12, 2013)
- When a Librarian met an Archivist: Collaborating to teach and promote the special collections and archives (February 19, 2013)

March 2013
- Oh, snap! Using popular culture to reach undergraduates in library instruction (March 12, 2013)
- Stealth Librarianship: Creating Meaningful Connections Through User Experience, Outreach, and Liaising (March 22, 2013)

April 2013
- Embedded Librarians: Integrating Information Literacy Instruction at the Point of Need (April 30, 2013)

The February webcasts will be a quick turnaround. We will need a host site and registration. We should take advantage of this opportunity. They are on Tuesdays afternoon at 2:00pm. Webcasts are 1.5 hours long. We will send something out to get feedback on which webcasts and location. The majority will rule. Someone asked about the location and how many can attend. Kara answered that it would depend on the size of the room where location is held. It was decided to have one on north side and the other on south side of state. Let's be mindful of the time of year for academia – don't want to have it around finals or instruction heavy time of year. Someone asked what was needed to host. Kara answered that you will need a projector and internet. It would be better if room is free, but we do have a budget line to pay for a space. Look for future communication on this. We have the ability to attend webcasts through August.

Nominating Committee
Rebeccca Rose, rarose@northgeorgia.edu from the University of North Georgia is serving as chair. If you are considering an opportunity to get involved, email her your interest. The Nominating Committee is looking for two officers: vice–chair/chair elect. This is a three year commitment as you will serve as vice-chair, chair, and past chair. The other position is secretary which is a one year commitment. This requires

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attendance at midwinter. Other communication is via email. Ballot for election is September 2013.

Academic Papers

Kara introduced Katherine Ott, katherineott@clayton.edu , from Clayton State University who is serving as Chair. Kara noted that this predates her, but there may be a discrepancy between when Academic Papers were initiated. We may be celebrating 20 years or 17 years. This is an opportunity for those who need to publish. Papers can be submitted to *GLQ* for consideration. Papers are limited to 2000 words. The timeline will be adjusted to where all information is available in program before COMO and readily available. Katherine Ott has graciously agreed to chair this. If you're interested in being a reader, let Katherine know. The group will select six papers to be presented at COMO and two will be given an award. Member asked if there are criteria to be considered a reader. Katherine Ott responded that we will have guidelines such as length of service and prior experience. These criteria have not been written yet and Katherine will speak with the chair to discuss what criteria can be set. There is a rubric for judging papers that was implemented in 2012 that worked pretty well and everything else is done on a number system.

GA COMO 2013

It will be in Macon again this year - October 9-11, 2011 at the Macon Marriott City Center, www.georgiacomo.org . Kara asked do we want to sponsor programs or have everyone send in proposals on their own. The floor was open for discussion on how we want to approach programming for the academic division. Member asked if application will allow a co-sponsor. Kara responded that that may be an option, but COMO group hasn't met yet as a group, but that's something for consideration. Liz Bagley mentioned that for 2012 the form did ask if you were sponsored by an organization. Kara asked if it meant more to have a session vetted by a member responded, "Yes." Kara mentioned that she is attending the COMO group meeting and will put this on the agenda. Member stated that it works well to promote something via newsletter. Liz Bagley suggested that Kara has a small group to vet proposals and then individual will submit proposal and Kara will let COMO planning committee know for the program.

Susan Morris mentioned that when she was vice-chair/chair elect of planning committee was to coordinate this and know how many peopled were interested in a program. Kara noted that this previous workflow probably should to be reinstated.

Another member, Shelley Smith noted that it would be good to have the group sponsor the proposal and this would be good for the person to add to his/her vita. Kara – when the form is available for proposals, the Academic Library Division will communicate that if you would like to have ALD sponsor your program, please submit proposal to ALD.

Ginny Feher added that she had once done a presentation that was sponsored by the ALD and was notified of sponsorship before the COMO proposal deadline and was able to note it in the proposal form.. Kara responded that as soon as the deadline is announced a call will go out to ensure that presenters have adequate time to prepare.

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Kyle McCarrell asked about the criteria for being sponsored by a division versus interest group. Kara noted that she hasn't seen anything in writing and asked if others knew. Sarah Steiner noted that things that seemed popular in this session were sent forth. Kara agreed that this will be the procedure adopted for this year as well. The floor was then opened for ideas for topics for COMO 2013.

Topic Suggestions for GA COMO 2013

- Sandra suggested *Salary, Work Life and Assessment*. She would love to see these as a track. There is an assessment and reference interest group, so there may be things already in the works. But, if there is a trend then there may be possibility.
- Ginny suggested having something on *Consolidation* where librarians at the consolidated universities present on the effects of the consolidation, such as the need to build relationships with librarians at the institution they are consolidating with.
- LuMarie suggested *Library Research Credit-Courses* to cover how other libraries are developing these courses, loosely termed, Info Lit 101.
- Karen suggested *Scholarly Communication and Open Access Week*. Are we doing events and how are we promoting these events? Someone else suggested *Institutional Repositories* which may be tied into Scholarly Communication and Open Access.
- A member asked that since topics are all so different, how are programs selected? Some are sponsored by a division or interest group. Is there a potential for other ideas, wild card slots to get covered that are good, but are not sponsored. Kara responded yes especially those things to which we are all shaking our heads *yes*. We all have our niche because of our job responsibilities and belong to different interest groups that some of these topics may fall under, so it's difficult to blend all of these topics because we all do not do one thing. Kyle asked if the interest group should sponsor the programs that are directly related to the group and have ALD just sponsors the papers. Sarah noted that interest groups aren't that active. Kara gave an example using assessment as a topic and connecting that to an interest group may be a way to reenergize interest groups as cosponsor.
- Sophia stated that it would be helpful if interest group or programs aren't scheduled at same time, so folks wouldn't have to choose between reference and assessment for example.
- Someone suggested *E-book Acquisitions* which will focus on the different models for acquisitions and the different platforms used. Do you want many platforms or rely solely on the Discover tool application?

Nominations for Speaker

- Joe Murphy, Librarian & Technology Trend Spotter (http://joemurphylibraryfuture.com/)

- Rick Brag, Author (http://www.randomhouse.com/knopf/authors/bragg/)

- Todd McCaffery, Fantasy Writer (www.toddmccaffrey.org)

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- Judson C. Mitcham, Georgia Poet Laureate
  (http://northdruidhills.patch.com/articles/mercer-instructor-former-emory-prof-named-georgia-poet-laureate)

- Steven Bell, Associate University Librarian at Temple University
  (http://stevenbell.info/) suggested by Sarah who noted that if we ask early enough we may get on people's calendars. Someone offered to help and can let Rhonda know. Need someone to put together the verbiage to attract the person the right way, so if you have connections or gift of writing, please let Rhonda know.

- Natasha Trethewey, United States Poet Laureate from Emory University
  (http://www.blueflowerarts.com/natasha-trethewey)

- Jeff Clemmons, Historian and Author who wrote *Rich's: A Southern Institution* (http://www.amazon.com/Jeff-Clemmons/e/B008OLM1MM/ref=ntt_athr_dp_pel_pop_1)

- Karen Mayfield

You can continue to send ideas to Rhonda McCoy at rmccoy@paine.edu . She will be spearheading this with the Public Library Division's chair, Brigid Broderic, and will be looking for a speaker for the Academic/Public library COMO luncheon speaker. The Academic Division and Public Library Division alternate selecting the speaker and this year's selection belongs to ALD.

The floor was open for general discussion. Seeing none, the meeting was adjourned at 11:41am.

Respectfully submitted,

La Loria Konata, ALD Secretary

Addendum

ACRL Chapters Council Representative Report from, Amy Eklund, ACRL Representative (2011-2012)

I was, unfortunately, unable to attend ALA Annual Convention this summer due to unforeseen circumstances. However, Sarah Steiner (past ALD chair and incoming ACRL Chapters Council Representative) was able to represent the Academic Library Division in my stead. Her full report of the meeting is linked from the Academic Library Division webpage, so I hope that you'll take the time to read her report because it contains much important information about what's going on at ACRL, and I'll only be highlighting information here that relates to Chapters Council initiatives.

First of all, I wanted to invite you to look over the report of the Chapters Council survey working group. The full report is linked from the ACRL Chapters blog (http://acrl.ala.org/acrlchapters), under the June 7 entry titled "Report on the ACRL Chapters Council Survey". The survey was conducted to explore the relationship between ACRL and Chapters, and in particular, gauge the membership's satisfaction with the current funding situation for the chapters. Some valuable information was gained from the survey, and I wanted to share a couple of immediate outcomes. First, it was determined that Chapters Council in conjunction with ACRL should provide an orientation session for new Chapter leaders to inform them of the assistance they can receive from ACRL and the importance of engaging with Chapters Council. Hopefully this orientation will lead to more engaged chapters throughout the country. Secondly, as a result of the desire for greater fiscal and educational support from ACRL to chapters, ACRL agreed to provide chapters with complimentary group registrations to two ACRL e-learning webcasts through August of this year. Since this is a pilot program this year, Chapters Council will be attempting to continue the program by submitting a resolution to ACRL Board after ALA Midwinter. Sarah is going to discuss the webcasts opportunity with us further later in this meeting.

Finally, I would like to again draw your attention to more sources of communication and information from ACRL Chapters Council. The blog (http://acrl.ala.org/acrlchapters/), the Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/ACRLChaptersCouncil), and the Chapter Topics newsletter (which is linked from the ALD homepage, http://gla.georgialibraries.org/div_ald.htm) are all worth a follow, a "like", or a perusal when you get a chance. If you are interested in submitting a blog entry or have an idea for a blog entry that would benefit a national academic librarian audience, I am still co-administrator for the Chapters Council blog, so please let me know.

It has been a privilege and an honour to represent the ALD in this role, and I thank you for the opportunity and your support. I know that Sarah Steiner will be a wonderful representative and please contact her if you have anything you'd like her to bring to Chapters Council's attention going forward.

Respectfully submitted,
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