Technical Services Interest Group Minutes December 1, 2006 GLA Planning Conference

Member present
Adam Kubik (Clayton State University)
Emily Prather (Georgia College & State University)
Cathy Jeffrey (Clayton State University)
Betty Paulk (Valdosta State University)
Isoke Ambidwile (Georgia Institute of Technology)
Rubye Cross (Georgia Institute of Technology)
Karen Manning (Georgia Institute of Technology)
Carolyn Fuller (Henry Co.)
Jack Fisher (Valdosta State University)
Elaine Yontz (Valdosta State University)
Patty Phipps (Georgia Institute of Technology)

Each attendee introduced themselves.

Patty Phipps solicited ideas for the GaCOMO 2007 conference concurrent sessions. Based on information from the September 2006 meeting there was interest in preservation. Cathy Jeffrey was asked to volunteer to present a session on RDA (Resource Description and Access). There was also brief discussion about a session that might provide tips, tricks, and shortcuts for the Voyager system. There was also some discussion concerning authority control and whether that would be an interesting session to offer especially in light of recent Board of Regents inquires into the value of authority work. Cathy Jeffrey stated that cataloging issues, especially those related to the Evergreen system, might be of interest to a broad range of public, school, and academic librarians. Carolyn Fuller commented about Evergreen and issues with the circulation portion that would be of interest to public libraries. The topic of Evergreen and next generation ILS and/or catalog systems was of general interest to all. Patty Phipps brought the discussion around to authority control again and the possibility of a session of the Gary Strawn software but there was comment that the session might be too Voyager specific to draw general interest. Patty Phipps asked if anyone had a new product or approach to workflow that might provide a session. Carolyn Fuller brought up the idea of outsourcing technical services work especially when a new branch library opens. Cathy Jeffrey and Betty Paulk discussed briefly PromptCat as an outsourcing topic. Carolyn Fuller agreed to look into putting a panel discussion together that could present on outsourcing. Patty Phipps discussed the idea of TSIG identifiers on the program to promote interest in the session. There was brief discussion about the tracking in the PDF version of the conference program and that a place (box) should be made available on the form to sign up for sessions where you could indicate a presented by.... or targeted audience.... Most agreed that the application form for sessions needed some revision to allow more information to be included. Patty Phipps will email ideas presented at the meeting to members via email and hopefully the ideas will be commented on and new ideas presented.

Meeting adjourned at 2 PM Jack Fisher for Elizabeth Winter Next meeting: Ask Technical Services, GaCOMO October 2007