Technical Services Interest Group (TSIG) Minutes
GLA Midwinter Planning Conference
Clayton State University, Morrow, GA
December 5, 2008, 1:15 PM

Present:
Heidi Benford (Clayton State University)
Rubye Cross (Georgia Tech)
Amy Eklund (Georgia Perimeter College)
Jack Fisher (Valdosta State University)
Laura Herndon (Clayton State University)
Adam Kubik (Clayton State University)
Cathy Jeffrey (Clayton State University)
Karen Manning (Georgia Tech)
Daryle Maroney (Georgia State University)
Tessa Minchew (Georgia Perimeter College)
Joan Osborne (Gwinnett County Public Library)
Shelley Rogers (University of West Georgia)
Thom Shelton

Welcome & Announcements
Tessa Minchew, outgoing TSIG Chair, called the session to order, welcomed
everyone, and thanked the current officers for serving over the past year. She
introduced the officers for the current year: Adam Kubik, incoming chair; Daryle
Maroney, vice-chair/chair-elect; and Amy Eklund, secretary. She then asked
attendees to sign in on two roll sheets, one for the GLA Interest Groups Council and
one for TSIG.

Statement by Incoming Chair
Adam Kubik, incoming TSIG Chair, greeted the group and introduced himself as a
catalog librarian at Clayton State University. Adam thanked Tessa for her service as
chair.

Suggestions for COMO 2009 Programs
Adam then asked for suggestions for programs for COMO 2009.

Jack Fisher suggested a Technical Services Pecha Kucha; the Pecha Kucha done at
COMO 2008 was very successful. The pros and cons of the Pecha Kucha format
were discussed, and Cathy Jeffrey wondered whether enough topics could be found
to do another one in 2009. Tessa volunteered to put together the Pecha Kucha for
2009, including some questions from the audience if there weren't enough topics to
fill the entire allotted time. If there are any further suggestions for the Pecha
Kucha, contact Tessa (Tessa.Minchew@gpc.edu)

The Ask Technical Services session was then discussed. Cathy Jeffrey gave some background on the evolution of this session. For COMO 2009, the meeting attendees discussed having a more focused discussion during the Ask Technical Services Session using topics solicited in advance.

Shelley Rogers inquired about having a guest speaker for technical services, either at the Ask Tech. Svcs. session or a stand-alone session; she mentioned Janet Swan Hill as a speaker possibility. Cathy brought up funding issues; TSIG has no budget for guest speakers, so funding from GLA would have to be obtained, and the speaker would need to have broader appeal beyond Technical Services to obtain this funding. Daryle Maroney suggested a speaker from Vanderbilt University who could speak on the future of catalogs and open-source catalogs.

Cathy suggested that Technical Services programming at COMO needed to draw in more public library staff. Jack Fisher said he had been to a conference in North Carolina that had technical services programs which catered to a wider variety of technical services staff and that he would look through his conference programs for ideas.

Cathy and Tessa mentioned that COMO lacked acquisitions programming in the past few years. Shelley suggested an acquisitions panel, with acquisitions representatives from several different types of libraries.

Other suggested topics for COMO 2009:
- New series tracing policies due to MARC field 440 being made obsolete
- RDA
- Status of Technical Services in library education
- Technical Services workflow issues under tighter budgets

Next Meeting
GaCOMO, October 7-9, 2009, Columbus, GA
Meeting adjourned at 2:00PM

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Eklund
Secretary