

**GLA Technical Service Interest Group (TSIG) Minutes**  
**January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

The meeting was held at the Harry S. Downs Continuing Education Center on the Clayton State University Campus in Morrow, Georgia at 1:30 p.m.

**Attendance**

Amy Eklund (Georgia Perimeter College)  
Guy Frost (Valdosta State University)  
Laura Herndon (Clayton State University)  
Cathy Jeffrey (Clayton State University)  
Linda Jones (Columbus State University)  
Adam Kubik (Clayton State University)  
Youngli Ma (Southern Polytechnic University)  
Shelley Rogers (University of West Georgia)  
Sofia Slutskaya (Georgia Perimeter College)  
Beth Thorton (Athens Technical College)  
Ariel Turner (Kennesaw State University)  
Linh Uong (Northeast Georgia Regional Library)

**Welcome**

Guy Frost, Chair, called the session to order.

**Old Business**

Laura Herndon passed out the minutes from the last meeting.

**New Business**

The agenda of discussion items was as follows:

- Collaborative Technical Services
- The University System of Georgia is looking for a new Integrated Library System
- The impact of institutional mergers
- The need to prepare for a shared catalog
- RDA Training
- Call for COMO 2014 topics

1. Collaborative Technical Services

Guy invited Cathy Jeffrey to speak on the Collaborative Technical Services Committee as she is the committee chair. The committee has submitted their portion of RFP (request for proposal) to the team leaders, who met and combined the various committee drafts into one document and are now reviewing the draft before its release back to the team members.

## 2. New Integrated Library System

The schedule for the NextGen catalog system has been released. There will be demos of six catalog systems to be considered before implementation planning in December 2014. Five million has been requested for Galileo in FY15. Another five million will be requested for the NextGen catalog in FY16 (it was heard that only 2½ million was approved for FY15). The best case scenario would be mid 2015 for actual implementation.

## 3. Institutional Mergers

Kennesaw and Southern Polytechnic will be the next merger to occur. It was stated that there will definitely be more mergers in the future.

## 4. Shared Catalog

A shared database will either need more service site staff for maintenance or the maintenance duties might be spread out among the various institutions. However, sharing maintenance among different institutions could be problematic if someone talented in a certain area is replaced by someone not as experienced and efficient.

## 5. RDA Training

Guy asks that everyone please respond to the University System of Georgia survey on use of RDA Toolkit because Merryll Penson, Executive Director of Library Services (GALILEO) wants to know how much it is being used. Some people believe they do not have access and may not understand how to access the toolkit. Guy will contact the individual institutions he hasn't heard from. However, there is some difficulty in finding the right contacts due to the recent mergers.

Guy has two focuses in training: 1. the 3xx access fields have been updated and expanded; 2. the relationship between appendix I and J. There are many changes with genre headings. Attention to the 3xx fields will be imperative as subject headings in music will be discontinued.

Since many can't attend the conferences we need either more online training or to go out to them. Regional training could be used or perhaps paying for Guy or another instructor to go from institution to institution conducting training.

We need a clearer idea of when everyone is migrating to RDA. Some states, like Florida, have set an official date for everyone to be cataloging in RDA. Linh Uong said that the PINES public library systems are working on RDA guidelines, but implementation is up to each system with a tentative date as early as Sept. 2014 and as late as Sept. 2015. The non-PINES library systems like those around Atlanta (ex. DeKalb and Cobb County) are on their own, but may wish to follow PINES.

## 6. COMO Topics

A call for topics via email generated several ideas such as BIBFRAME, MarcEdit, the changing roles of technical service personnel, cross-training, creative collaborations across departments, and an E-Resource panel or roundtable.

Olga Russov will move forward with the roundtable on E-Resources Acquisitions and Management. Someone from LC could be tapped to do a BIBFRAME webinar on the impact on NextGen systems. Susan Wynne and Adam Kubik might collaborate on biblevel data change (batch transfers) at GUGM. There was much interest from the group in Cathy conducting a workshop on MarcEdit tweaking of marc records before dumping (importing) into the catalog. It was suggested that Adam could follow with a Toolkit cleanup workshop – possibly back-to-back sessions.

Other possible topics were broached. Beth Thornton suggested that working with RDA copy for smaller libraries and those who don't catalog often would be a good RDA topic. Linh suggested a follow up to Susan Wynne's Tips & Tricks session. Sofia Slutskaya spoke of the need to promote Technical Services to the rest of the world, such as reference librarians and non-catalogers.

### **General Discussion**

Guy will going to Belize for a weeklong RDA workshop. After he returns he'll be able to focus on COMO, GUGM and virtual training

GLA board member Kara Mullen introduced herself to the group. She was asked to not put the Technical Services sessions back to back again at the upcoming COMO. Kara replied that there is now a big opportunity for changes now that GLMA is separated from the conference and there will be more voices and eyes looking at the scheduling.

There is both a Pinterest and Facebook site for the Technical Services Interest Group. Guy is dubbing COMO presentations to add via social media links and SlideShare to the GLA webpage.

Pinterest <http://www.pinterest.com/glatsig/>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/150109465199446/>

SlideShare [http://www.slideshare.net/GLA\\_TSIG](http://www.slideshare.net/GLA_TSIG)

The Technical Services Interest Group will need volunteers for the elections at the next COMO.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was concluded at 2:29 p.m.

### **Next Meeting**

COMO, Augusta, Oct. 1-3, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Herndon  
Secretary