Welcome
Gene Ruffin, Chair of the Academic Library Division opened the meeting at 11:00 am. He introduced the current members of the Academic Library Division and acknowledged the helpful assistance of the past chair, Cathy Jeffery. The current officers are listed below:

- **Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect:** Lorene Flanders
- **Secretary:** Lisa Smith
- **ACRL Chapters Council Representative:** Rubye Cross
- **Selected Papers Review Committee Chair:** Eva Lautemann
- **Nominating Committee**
  Gene solicited volunteers from the attendees to form a nominating committee to nominate next year’s officers. He will coordinate the nominating committee. Laura Burtle and Andrea Stanfield volunteered to put together a slate of officers for next year’s Academic Library division.

Academic Papers
Eva Lautemann will send out announcements as the date approaches for proposals to the Academic Papers. Everyone is encouraged to participate.

Ideas for COMO presentation topics (COMO 2009 will be held on October 7-9 at the Georgia Convention and Trade Center in Columbus, GA)

- Presentation on the “Library Experience,” similar to the Academic paper delivered by Charles Forrest.
- How the current economic crisis can help create usage of the library
- Panel discussion by participants from various leadership institutes.
- Future technology needs for academic library to help those libraries that are developing formal technology plans.
- Bibliographic Instruction: Explore ways to reach out to create BI sessions and other outreach issues related to information literacy.
- Panel discussion by campus leaders from outside the library to discuss their view of the library, e.g. SGA presidents, Academic Vice Presidents/Provosts, etc.
- Marketing the library: Exploring ways to marketing library services to reach today’s students
- Presentation by Camila Alire (ALA President-Elect for 2008-09) and Bede Mitchell on the 2007 visit to Russia by a delegation of academic librarians.
Ideas for the Academic Library Division Luncheon Speakers
Lorene Flanders has an idea for a speaker focusing on Native American history. Callie McGinnis shared an idea for a speaker also: Cathy Fussell, the director of the Carson McCullers Center for Writers and Musicians (http://www.mccullerscenter.org/).

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20am.