

**Academic Library Division (ALD) Minutes
Virtual Business Meeting prior to the Georgia Libraries Conference
Wednesday, September 29, 2021, 12 pm**

Meeting Registrants (see list at end)

Welcome and Introductions

I. Current officers:

- Linh Uong, Chair
- Catherine Mancini, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect
- Kristina Lang, Secretary
- Lamonica Sanford, ACRL Chapters Council Representative
- Karen Doster-Greenleaf, Immediate Past Chair

II. The Agenda was shared by Linh Uong, Chair, attendees introduced themselves in chat, and the minutes from January 2021 were approved.

New Business

I. Ginny Feher, GLQ Editor

- Encouraged everyone in the Academic Library Division to submit articles to the Georgia Library Quarterly (GLQ). Information can be found on the GLQ interface and on the GLA website. Questions can be emailed to glq@georgialibraryassociation.org. The ALD Paper Competition is a great way to get involved. It is done and will be presented at the Georgia Libraries Conference (GLC), but it is never too early to start writing a peer-reviewed article. There is an award for this, and there are multiple ways to submit to GLQ (e.g., peer-reviewed articles, etc.). We created a new peer-review board and Ashley Hoffman is the new peer-review coordinator. If you email GLQ, Ginny will make sure that it gets to the right person to answer your questions. We send out a call for book reviews periodically and *My Own Private Library* (contact Kelly Williams). The in the Georgia Library Spotlight coordinator is Jillian Speck of the Georgia Library Association (GLA), and those are published on the GLA website and in the GLQ. GLQ always asked for revisions, so do not take it personally as this is a way to make you look better – to make you shine. They are here to mentor you and help you publish something that is really excellent. Ginny retired in January, so this is her last year as the GLQ editor, and she will be stepping down at the end of the year. Ashley Hoffman will be the new editor. Congratulations to Ashley. Ginny will publish one more issue and spend the rest of the year helping with the transition. If you have any questions, please send them to Ginny. Ginny, Ashley Hoffman, and Chelsee Dickson are presenting on how to turn an MLIS assignment into a publishable article on Thursday at GLC, and it will be recorded with Ginny and Ashley present to answer questions live.

II. Linh Uong, Chair

- Committees for Professional Development and Writing and Research: We spoke about these in January. We decided to permanently shelf the first one. PACE (Professional and Continuing Education IG) already does this for GLA, and ALD officers are ACRL members and receive daily/weekly posts from ACRL regarding this. Lamonica has been filtering through the posts and sharing any relevant webinars, meetings, and other continuing education events to the ALD list. So, we do not need to reinvent the wheel

and create our own separate professional development committee. For the second committee, we were considering a research database and research mentor program, but we are tabling this as well. Instead, Catherine had an idea for a set of one-shots (for mentoring or other topics), which might work better for planning and logistics than a whole mentor program.

III. Catherine Mancini, Vice-Chair

- Congratulations to our ALD Paper winner for this year, Sheeji Kathuria, who wrote an amazing paper this year titled, "Library Support in Times of Crisis: An Analysis of Chat Transcripts during COVID." You can listen to Sheeji tell us more about this paper at GLC on Thursday, October 7th from 2:30-3pm. Congratulations – excellent work from everybody who submitted a paper. I would also like to thank our reviewers who were our judges. They gave really thoughtful feedback in a way that they hope will help all of the submitters get their papers published. Sheeji's paper has already been published (earlier in the week, link from the chat: <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/10875301.2021.1960669>).

IV. Lamonica Sanford, ACRL Chapters Council Representative

- Lamonica reviewed her role as ACRL Chapters Council Representative. Her term is for three years and she attends the ACRL Chapters Council meetings as a representative for our association (for Georgia, which is one of 44 chapters). She said that we work to promote excellence and academic libraries through programming and professional development opportunities that fit our local needs as well as advocacy efforts. An ACRL membership is not required for ALD membership, but individual membership of ACRL is required to run for chair, vice-chair, or counsel representative so just keep that in mind if you decide to run for office. One of the perks of being an ACRL chapter is that we have the opportunity to sponsor two ACRL e-learning webcasts per chapter. We did that this year. On May 6th, ALD offered an ACRL webinar entitled "Navigating New Routes to Sharing & Evaluating Scholarly Work". This session offered an overview of current practices and emerging possibilities for the sharing, publication, and evaluation of scholarly work. On May 14, 2021, a virtual post-webinar debrief with members was held. This debrief conversation was led by Laura Burtle, Associate Dean of the University Library at Georgia State University where she provided context to the topic and moderated a discussion for ALD members. On July 8th, ALD offered another ACRL webinar to its members. The ACRL webinar entitled "Online library instruction: Best practices for live synchronous teaching" was presented by Jason Puckett, the Online Learning Librarian and Associate Professor at Georgia State University Library. The webinar offered participants suggestions on how to take advantage of the synchronous online classroom environment and addressed some of its advantages and limitations. As a follow-up to the webinar, on July 29th, ALD and the Reference & Instructional Services Interest Group (RISIG) co-sponsored a virtual meeting that focused on ideas, experiences, and suggestions related to teaching and providing reference online. Additionally, there is an array of resources for professional development and learning from ACRL on their website.
- Links from chat:
 - College & Research Libraries News:
 - <https://crln.acrl.org/index.php/crlnews/index>

- College & Research Libraries (journal):
 - <https://crl.acrl.org/index.php/crl>
- RBM: A Journal of Rare Books, Manuscripts, and Cultural Heritage:
 - <https://rbm.acrl.org/index.php/rbm> · ACRL Toolkits: <https://www.ala.org/acrl/proftools/toolkits>
- ACRL Presents Webcasts:
 - https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLxXeYesBGzGg5OxaiPd_gfHmW8vS-f9sL

VI. Demonstrations

- ALD page <https://gla.georgialibraries.org/>
 - Look under “About” on the GLA webpage. It has our names and email.
- GLA Sign In, GLA Forums
 - If you are a member you can click on that to sign in to your GLA account. You can see your profile, and you can look up the forums and the directory. There are forums for all of the divisions and interest groups. This is something that we encourage you to use. If you subscribe, you can get a daily email digest that shows when someone posts in the forum. There are topics that you can subscribe to.

VII. Announcements

- Division and Interest Group elections: Nov. 8-28, 2021. You should get an email with a ballot to vote for the folks running for the different offices for the Academic Library Division.

Open the Floor to Questions

- Questions from Chaun Campos: The Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Task Force is considering a name change for a shift to division in the future. Would you like to be included in a quick questionnaire so you can see the options? Also, did everyone see the emails that were sent out where we scheduled brief 15-minute check-ins where different group leaders could come together for discussions on the results of the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Survey?
- Catherine answered that yes, she is interested in in this group having a voice in that and asked Chaun to type the questions in the chat (below) and created polls with these. (The results were nine yeses, and one no. One person received the task force emails and another did not.)
 - Do you all want to be included in the EDI Task Force’s name change?
 - Did y’all receive the emails that the task force sent out?
- Additional information from Lamonica with links from the chat: *ACRL Report - COVID-19 Protocols in Academic Libraries in Canada and the United States* (August 2021):
 - https://www.ala.org/acrl/sites/ala.org.acrl/files/content/issues/value/ACRL_VAL_COVID_Protocols.pdf
 - <https://www.ala.org/acrl/issues/value>

- Catherine read Carol Stanley’s question about registration numbers for GLC and answered that she thinks we are on track to have pretty good numbers.
- Anne Barnhart, from the University of West Georgia, spoke about her GLC session about an asynchronous online mini course that she created with her colleagues in the midst of the pandemic. They won the ALA Library Instruction Roundtable Innovation in Instruction award for it. It is Creative Commons licensed and under GitHub, and she will be presenting a session, “LibraryDen: a tool for learning about research and information literacy pedagogy” with a professor from the school’s media program who has used it each semester with her students. They have fantastic assessment data for the learning outcomes from the pre-test to the post-test, and it is Creative Commons licensed and works really easily in D2L. The session will be on October 7th at 10 AM.
- Laura Burtle is presenting with the chair and vice-chair of the ILL Interest Group. This session is called “Evolving ILL: Beyond CONTU to a Modern Interlibrary Loan.” They are really looking at ways to encourage the libraries in Georgia to all move away from following the CONTU guidelines for interlibrary loan and finding a new path forward on using the law instead of the guidelines, and they are using this a kick-off to start talking about that. It’s a pre-recorded session at 3 o’clock on Wednesday, but if you have a conflict, you can watch it at another time. They will be setting up a live ILL Interest Group Meeting to continue the conversation afterwards.

Next Meeting

GLA Midwinter Planning Meeting (to be announced)

Meeting adjourned at 12:38PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristina Lang
Secretary

First and Last Name	Name of Institution
Amanda Nash	UNG
Amy Chew	Valdosta State University
Angela Megaw	University of North Georgia
Ann Mills	Kennesaw State University
Ashleigh Cofer	Columbus Technical College
Ashley Hoffman	Kennesaw State University
Braegan Abernethy	Georgia State University
Catherine Mancini	Georgia Tech
Chaun Campos (she/her)	Georgia State University
Chelsee Dickson	Kennesaw State University
Christian Lear	Kennesaw State University
Cynthia Prosser	UGA Libraries
Danilo M Baylen	University of West Georgia
Deborah George	Gwinnett Technical College
Emily Rogers	Valdosta State University
John Mack Freeman	Georgia Institute of Technology
John Shaffett	Shorter University
Jolene Cole	Georgia College
Kat Greer	Agnes Scott College
Kristina Lang	Georgia State University
Laura Burtle	Georgia State University
Leslie Drost	Kennesaw State University
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Michelle Lee	Kennesaw State University
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Sheeji Kathuria	Georgia State University
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Shelley Rogers	University of West Georgia
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