

**ALA/GODORT Publications Committee Meeting**  
**ALA Annual Conference**  
**2:00 - 5:30 p.m.**  
**Friday, June 24, 2005**  
**Chicago Hilton and Towers, Lake Michigan room**

Members Present: Sherry DeDecker (Chair), Barb Mann (recorder), Linda Johnson, Lesley Pease, Brett Cloyd, Ann Miller, Andrea Sevetson, Brian Rossmann, James Jacobs  
Guests: Paul Arrigo, Joe Fitzanko, Helen Sheehy, Julie Linden, Susan Tulis, Aimee Piscatelli Quinn, Dan Barkley, Bill Sudduth

**Notable Documents Report** (Linda Johnson)

Notable documents appeared in the May 15 Library Journal. The panel recommended changes to the PPM, stressing documents that reflect the mission of the agency, as well as including more information, especially if available in electronic format. The panel asked that Publications recommend the inclusion/exclusion of databases from the criteria.

Ann asked suggested that databases be extended to web sites or mixed media. Helen suggested

Publications approved the PPM changes.

**Action:** Sherry will forward recommendations to Lesley after annual.

Linda will send thank you letters to all who submitted nominations. She also sent a congratulatory letter & a copy of the LJ article to every agency that had a winning document.

**Treasurer Report** (Ann Miller)

GODORT has received \$530 in royalties this year, from the Directory and citation guide. Advertising revenue for 2004 for DttP was \$12,120.75, with \$1139.50 outstanding.

Advertising as of 4/30/05: \$6043. There is an increase in the processing costs; previously \$200 was budgeted, it is now \$850 (\$4.50 per subscription).

Sherry asked where in the budget electronic access to DttP will appear. It will be included in the DttP billing from ALA Production services.

**DttP Report** (Andrea Sevetson)

Subscriptions are down to 240 as of May, from 301 in 2004; expected to increase through the year, as only 1 cancellation so far.

The committee discussed electronic access to DttP; soon-to-be free access from Stanford from v. 1-28; online access

the open access model for journals. In the interim, GODORT members have access to both print and electronic versions. Angie (ALA Productions) is following up on how we can offer electronic access to subscribers who are not GODORT members.

### **Web Administrator Report** (Lesley Pease)

PPM chapter links have been changed from numbers to names. The old PPM will be removed from the site and archived. Sunsite will not support blogging, so Lesley is linking to current news blogs. Lesley will strip out contact information from old directories.

The GODORT site has recently been indexed, updated every Friday. Sunsite has updated security on their site, supporting secure FTP. The committee discussed whether to explore other options for hosting the GODORT site. Move to ALA? Some other site?

**Action:** Lesley will discuss moving the GODORT page with web administrators group. The committee should send comments on the site to Lesley, especially as to using committee names instead of numbers for the navigational links at the end of each chapter.

### **New Business**

#### 1. Job posting for DttP editor

Barb submitted a draft job posting for the position, which will become vacant with issue 3, 2006. New editor should be in place by end of midwinter 2006.

The committee discussed increasing the stipend for editor from \$500/year to \$750. It was noted that the stipend amount is not in the PPM.

#### **Action:**

Sherry will bring copies of the ad to the GODORT Membership Meeting, and post to govdoc-l. Sherry will bring the stipend increase recommendation to the Membership meeting for vote. Sherry will add the stipend amount to the PPM.

#### 2. Editorial responsibilities for DttP advertisers

Barb suggested that we explore whether the DttP editor should edit content of advertisements.

Instead of that, Publications decided to add a sentence on the Advertising Rates page stating that ads will adhere to ethically accepted practices.   
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Paul will survey state associations, etc., and bring a business plan to Publications at midwinter 2006.

4. Aimee announced that Nancy Pearl has included government documents in her book More Book Lust.

The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m.