

ALA Annual 2016 (approved) Minutes
ALA Annual 2016, Orlando FL
Sunday, June 26 1:00 – 2:30
Hyatt Regency Orlando: Bayhill 30

Present: Rachel Dobkin, Karen Hogenboom (chair), Linda Spiro, Nathan Wolfe, Vicki Tate (visitor),
Greg March (visitor)

Absent: Julia Stewart, Howard Carrier, Alison Regan, Robbie Sittel, Stephanie Martin

Welcome and introductions

Adoption of agenda

Updates from GODORT Steering : Steering has written goals for each part of GODORT (committees, task forces, and officers) and drafted a new mission statement. Small groups of Steering members are currently working on organizing the goals into the themes identified in the GODORT reorganization report.

Liaison reports (education-related items):

Federal Documents Task Force – Rachel Dobkin

The GODORT reorganization will transform the Federal Documents Task Force to a discussion groups or interest groups with a single coordinator-How will this affect GODORT's work related to Federal Documents? In addition, the liaison positions will be eliminated. How should we ensure effective communication between the Education Committee and the task forces?

Not Present: International Documents Task Force – Stephanie Martin; State and Local Documents Task Force – Robbie Sittel

Discussion and possible revision of draft five year goals and committee charge:
drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B_WDTNnC4TPdb3V1Y3dWQXJBaUE&usp=sharing
Top priority is to craft competencies-- recommended skills and knowledge for librarians working with government information. While the content may be similar, these are not the same as the government information competencies for library school/i-school students submitted last summer to the ALA Education/Accreditation Committee by the ALA Committee on Legislation-Government Information Subcommittee. Our Education Committee competencies will be more specific and will guide Education committee programs and resource development as well as list resources that can be used to increase competency in the areas highlighted. Tiers of competencies are important to avoid overwhelming those who are not specialists in government information.

To this end: what information should we share, where should it come from, and how should we make it available? Perhaps the GODORT wiki could be a more efficient platform for collecting and disseminating resources/best practices for librarians working with Government information. Should we organize it by subjects like a Lib Guide? How do institutions share internally their best practices? Could Membership committee help with outreach?

The revised charge was edited for grammar and will be voted on by the committee virtually. Our goal of proposing programs was revised downward from three to two programs over the next five years, and it was suggested that an intern or Emerging Leader could help with the review of the GODORT Exchange.

Heartfelt thanks to outgoing chair Karen Hogenboom for her hard work in the committee and her contributions to Education goals of the reorganization process.