

Approved, December 18, 2007

SENYLRC
Technology Review and Advisory Committee
DATE: November 20, 2007
MINUTES AND ACTIONS

Attendees: John Barrie, Elaine Goldman, Beti Horvath, Anne McCarthy Kennedy, Colleen Lougen, Ellen Rubin, Matt Smith, Laurie Shedrick, John Shaloiko, Tessa Killian, Zack Spalding, Judy Fischetti

Excused: Kari Mack, Amy Schuler, Stuart Moss

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- ◆ Jarrod Roth, from Cengage (formerly Gale), gave an online demonstration of the Gale Virtual Reference Library (GVRL). The demo included how to create sub-collections, the benefit of using sub-collections and the difference between e-book and e-reference. J. Roth focused on two GVRL titles: Worldmark Encyclopedia of the Nations and Encyclopedia of Science, showing new features including: searching within results, enhanced sidebar functionality, as well as new toolbox, and accurate MLA and APA citations.
- ◆ The committee discussed technology related continuing education programs. John Shaloiko reviewed the plans to hold workshops for learning Microsoft Excel and Word. Trainer Ian Becker, Marist College, will teach 6 half day programs in Excel and Word. The committee discussed whether to hold one or two classes per day. J. Shaloiko described the plan for a Next Generation Library Technology event, focused on open source software and next-generation user interfaces. Speakers would include keynote speaker Marshall Breeding, John Stromquist regarding WALDO's movement toward open source ILS, a speaker from the University of Rochester regarding their eXtensible Catalog Initiative and a representative from Deep Web Technologies. A possible date is May 7, 2008.

ACTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS:

- ◆ John Barrie moved to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2007 meeting. Beti Horvath seconded. The motion passed as moved.
- ◆ The committee recommended that the Microsoft workshops be held on six different days.
- ◆ The committee recommended pursuing the proposed Next Generation Library Technology event.

OTHER MEETING NOTES:

- ◆ The committee needs to recommend Cengage titles and Tessa Killian will then obtain prices.
- ◆ Erin Kennedy, CQ Press will make a presentation at the next committee meeting.

NEXT MEETING: December 18, 2007

LOCATION: SENYLRC

RECORDER: Judy Fischetti