

DIGOR Business Meeting Minutes

April 2, 2009

Salem Conference Center

Salem, Oregon

In attendance: Arlene Weible – OSL ; Jey Wann – OSL ; Valery King – OSU ; Liz Paulus – Cedar Mill Community Library ; Jerry Curry – OSL (arrived later in meeting)

Agenda

[Note: no minutes were available to approve; minutes from the last business meeting (September 2008) will be posted for review and approval after the conference. -LP]

Treasury / Conference Update

Arlene reported the following statistics about DIGOR finances and membership:

Bank balance @ December 31, 2008 - \$1,114.76. She reported that DIGOR will incur some cost from the annual conference e.g. \$200 in bringing Patrice McDermott to speak, plus some related conference costs of approximately \$25-50.

Membership in Round Table: 22 members – total continues to decline. Attendance to DIGOR programs at conference seems to lower than in the past, but may be directly related to slashed travel budgets at state universities. The group discussed the limitations of MemberClicks and keeping track of membership changes (adds/deletes), and how it needs to be reviewed manually.

Arlene mentioned that the Awards Committee had difficulty in receiving award nominations for all categories. The groups discussed this issue briefly and agreed that DIGOR and its members should be more proactive in the next round.

Election of Officers

Ted Smith has graciously offered to serve as Chair-Elect; Liz Paulus will return as Secretary for the 2009/2010 period.

Fall meeting date and location

The group expressed a strong interest to take the Fall meeting site to the south, with first consideration to Klamath Falls or Ashland. It was suggested that the minutes be consulted to review what sites were visited in the most distant past as a criteria for selection. Arlene will follow up on possible locations and come up with options and dates.

Spring meeting 2010 (no OLA conference)

Laura Tucker at Lewis and Clark College has expressed interest in hosting a meeting, with possible topics such as:

- patent/trademark? (L & C's patent library)
- blogging et al used in serving patrons (Boley Law Library – Rob Truman and law library blogs)
- New Legal Reference Round Table

Training / taskforce update

Tom sent his report to Arlene which is included below

1. We sponsored a workshop for non-documents librarians on federal statistics. This was held on November 21, 2008, at George Fox University's Portland Center, and had 18 attendees, most from academic libraries. The morning session, treating the American Community Survey, was taught by Charles Rynerson and George Hough of PSU's Center for Population Research. The afternoon session, on federal statistics for social research, was taught by Valery King (OSU Libraries). The evaluations were generally positive. Attendees were canvassed on their interest in future workshops. The highest interest appeared to be in the following topics: business/economic information, legislative/regulatory information, environmental information, international statistics, and information of inter-governmental organizations (IGOs).
2. Tom gave a presentation to the Northwest Interlibrary Loan and Resource Sharing conference at PCC in September, on "hard-to-find documents" of IGOs.
3. Linda Clark, the Census Bureau's trainer from Seattle, will be holding three half-day workshops at the UO Library on April 15 and 16, sponsored by DIGOr and the UO Libraries. These will be open to the library community, and will deal with the American Community Survey and Census 2010 (two sessions) and the Economic Census and surveys (1 session).
4. Tom has agreed to give another presentation the the NWILL conference (although he may ask other DIGOr member to do it). The committee has been discussing useful topics for this presentation. A likely approach may be to introduce the ILL folks to the various depository programs or, more specifically, how to find federal depository collections in OCLC.

Possible topics for trainings outside of conference event

- Basic government documents (like Dena Hutto's presentation from several years ago)
- Regional Depository System (Oregon State Library and partner libraries)

Action items for group re: training and program ideas

--- Feed Tom ideas for NWILL 2009

--- Give Jey ideas for 2010 training opportunities/programming

FDLP Update

Arlene says that there is little to report; many elements at GPO are on hold until the appointment of the new Public Printer. There is some buzz around the new online interface for GPO, the FDSys portal, which debuted in the past couple of months.

ORDOCS Report

Jey notes several new faces around OSL and ORDocs in particular, including Heather Pitts, cataloging librarian, Sara Marsh, ORDoc specialist, and Brian McGuirk, Web Services Librarian. Jey says it's the first time in a while that they have been fully staffed and with people that are well-equipped to move ahead with ORDocs programs. They'll be working on new projects such as implementing Google Custom Search, developing the serials content in the Oregon Documents Repository, plus doing more harvesting of documents and websites outside the state CMS-supported departments (like the Secretary of State, the Legislature and more). There is also work around making sure OSL holdings are reflected in WorldCAT.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:15 pm.

Submitted by Liz Paulus April 9, 2009