

Susquehanna Library Cooperative  
Directors Meeting  
Minutes – February 20, 2004

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Present:	Georgia Laudenslager	Pennsylvania College of Technology
	Kathleen Gunning	Susquehanna University
	John Pitcher	Bloomsburg University
	Tricia Haas	James V. Brown Library (NCLD)
	Susan Robishaw	Geisinger Health System
	Mike Heyd	Susquehanna Health System
	Nancy Dagle	Bucknell University
	Janet Hurlbert	Lycoming College
	Tara Fulton	Lock Haven University
	Jim Hollinger	Commonwealth Libraries

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J. Pitcher called the meeting to order at 10:00am in Conference Room A, Williamsport. Hospital.

**Minutes:** Minutes approved as written

**Treasurer's Report:** Report attached.

**C.E. Committee:** G. Laudenslager reported for R. Fisher that there has been no progress in planning CE activities since the last meeting. G. Laudensberger also reported that a librarian at PCT expressed an interest in a workshop on managing e-journals. S. Robishaw stated that she plans to take a CE course on managing e-journals at the Medical Library Association annual meeting in May. If she does, she would be willing to help provide a similar course in the fall to SLC members. G. Laudenslager has a proposed list of workshops from ACLCP. She will forward that list to the chair.

**WEB Development Committee:** Report attached. No discussion

**Commonwealth Libraries Report:** J. Hollinger reported that with the renegotiation of licenses for the Power Library databases, two additional databases were added: Chilton's Auto Repair and Business Source Premier Access PA members will soon be able to use NetLibrary. Checkout periods have yet to be determined. The Commonwealth Library was one of 11 states to apply for and one of 4 states funded by a National Endowment for the Humanities grant "Prime Time Family Readers" program. Brown Library will be a participant in the program. No one has been selected to replace G. Wolfe. The Commonwealth Libraries has cut staff, programs, and hours due to the reduced funding from the state budget.

**Ariel Grant:** All libraries have received the equipment, but no one is up and running yet. The main issues revolve around network security. Bill Barnes – Bloomsburg University (389-2813) and Dave Heffner – Lycoming College can serve as contacts at institutions where Ariel is functioning. S. Robishaw reported that the poster submission was accepted. The poster will be presented at the annual Medical Library Association meeting, Tuesday, May 25, 2004, in Washington, D.C. A poster mock-up was circulated among the attendees. Because the anticipated results will not have been met by the time of final submission to MLA on March 8, 2004, the committee proposes to make a second poster at a later date for SLC use. Per G. Laudensberger, RLG offers a store and forward service for some Ariel users. S. Robishaw will investigate.

**New Business:** Letter received from JoAnn Launt, Laurel Health System, advising of the withdrawal of Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital Library from the cooperative.

**By-Laws Change:** M. Heyd proposed changing the by-laws to a rotating chair, instead of an elected chair. This item will be added to the next meeting's agenda.

**Nominating Committee:** M. Heyd and T. Fulton will report a slate of officers at the next meeting.

**Next Meeting:** *Lycoming College 5/7/2004*

**Information Sharing:**

*J.V. Brown* – Promoting use of the video-conferencing equipment installed at 5 libraries, as a revenue generator (open for public use for a fee), to bring humanities lectures to patrons, and workshops and meetings

*PA College* – 4/23 workshop on Practical Fundraising, M. Sieminski seeks volunteers to pass petitions against the Patriot Act.

*Bucknell* – No openings, fully staffed

*Bloomsburg* – 3 persons retiring, 3 openings – Science, Social Sciences, Government Documents

*Lycoming* – Purchased J-STOR, finalizing building renovation plans, opening for instructional services librarian

*Geisinger* – 2 posters to be presented at MLA in May, including one for the Ariel project, will be using Pathlore for online interactive educational software, chose SoftLink for the online integrated catalog

*Susquehanna Health System* – M. Heyd provided a tour of his new library.

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