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Public Services Working Group Minutes

March 17, 2011

Conference Call

Members attending: Susan Tulis (chair, SIC); Jane Currie (LUC); April Levy (COL); Sean McCarthy (IIA); Matthew Rutherford (NBY); Bruce Stoffel (ISU); Michele Ukleja (WRH)

Members absent: Sue Franzen, (ICC); Lisa Janicke Hinchliffe, (UIU)

Staff attending: Elizabeth Clarage and Jennifer Masciadrelli

Minutes from the February 17, 2011 meeting were approved.

Final plans for 4/11 open house at WIU:

A "save the date" notice was posted this week by Elizabeth.

Maximum attendance has been set at 50 (excluding those attending from WIU).

The working group decided to limit registration per institution to five in a first round of registration to give every CARLI member institution an opportunity to be represented. If space remains thereafter, registration will be accepted on a first-registered/first-accepted basis.

Elizabeth expects the open house registration form to be posted on the CARLI website by the end of March. The exact date is uncertain, because the CARLI webmaster has been out of the office.

The working group reviewed the revised agenda as proposed by John Stierman and colleagues at WIU. The working group found it acceptable.

Susan asked Bruce to contact John Stierman to inquire whether asking registrants about their break out session preferences would help with event planning. Bruce will report back to Susan and Elizabeth.

Bruce and Susan will send an initial round of emails to prospective attendees from the WIU vicinity announcing the open house and another round of emails announcing opening of registration.

Ethnographic methods webcast/podcast project

The working group reviewed the webcast/podcast project proposal compiled by Susan, Lisa, and Elizabeth. Five podcasts are planned: reasons for doing ethnographic research, conducting ethnographic interviews, photo diaries and journals, cognitive maps, and mapping diaries. Each podcast will include three sections: an introduction to methodology, a mini case-study, and suggestions/tips for getting started. Beginning sentences and the ending slide will be standardized.

The working group then discussed still-to-be-decided issues.

"Do it Yourself Ethnographic Research" was suggested as a series title. Adding the word "library" to the series title was suggested. Susan asked members to think about a title for further discussion via email or at the next meeting. Susan will talk with webcast/podcast presenters to get their input on target production length while at the upcoming ACRL conference.

Working group members agreed that presentations would be developed over the summer and then released over time beginning in the fall, with presentations 1 and 2 released before the others.

April and Jane volunteered to serve on a PSWG subgroup to oversee the project. Any other members interested in joining the subgroup should contact Susan.

New business

Susan asked returning members to consider volunteering to serve as 2011-2012 PSWG chairperson and to contact Elizabeth or Jennifer if willing to do so. A new chairperson is traditionally announced in May, with transfer of leadership from the current to the new chairperson occurring in June.

Susan asked for suggestions for 2011-2012 PSWG programming. She explained that planning would need to start soon if the group wants to sponsor an activity or event in the fall. Elizabeth reviewed the brainstorming list from the August 2010 meeting minutes. The group discussed methods of obtaining input from public services library staff from across the state. The group decided to survey persons attending the WIU open house regarding their programming ideas and preferences. Sean, Matt, and Susan volunteered to draft a survey for review by the larger working group.

The meeting adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

Meeting Dates: Next Meeting: Thursday, 21 April 2011, 1-3 p.m., Conference Call Thursday, 19 May 2011, 1-3 p.m., Conference Call Thursday, 16 June 2011, 1-3 p.m., Conference Call