

LIBRARIANS' MEETING
Tuesday, May 28, 2002

Announcements -- Kathy

In a recent Council of Library Directors meeting, Kathy learned that the proposed interface between NOTIS and BANNER is almost complete, with some problems yet to be solved. The good news is that we will not be collecting fines anymore (nor, at a later date, lost book fees). This is also the bad news for evening and weekend patrons who want to free their accounts immediately. There will also be no way to forgive fines. Advanced posting will be needed before the changeover. Since patrons will continue to request change for the copy machines on evenings and weekends, we will still need the cash register.

Kathy distributed information about a proposed numeric data center, which collects data sets and has links to business research and government information.

The link between FirstSearch and ILLIAD is still up in the air. OCLC is being pressed to provide multicampus deliveries instead of just to Tampa, which would be an unsatisfactory arrangement since all requests would have to be evaluated in Tampa and sent back to the other campuses.

Kathy announced that this year, instead of the Library State of the Union program, Tampa is going to have poster sessions about various library services. All USF libraries have been asked to participate.

After the new Tampa Library director, Phyllis Ruscella, arrives, Jim Gray will become director of Technical and Administration Services.

Great Explorations is one of many organizations sponsoring summer camps at USF St. Petersburg this year between June 10 and August 2. Each of the librarians present signed up to research and supply books on several different topics for the Great Exploration classes.

Kathy asked all to think of projects for Dan. Jackie said she would have him assist more with shelf reading.

Jerry responded to a request about the latest merit reviews. He will make copies of the write-ups from the committee for each individual librarian. A discussion followed on merit review procedures.

Deb and **Jim** said the committee is still working on the campus merit review, with regard to changes in committee representation to include 2 librarians, terms of office, and questions about who will have approval authority, among others.

Jackie's report on an information literacy seminar included the various methods by which libraries are trying to get information to their patrons, their versions of what we call bibliographic instruction. Representatives from both public and academic libraries attended. SPC seems to be quite advanced, and even requires that a course in information literacy be passed before graduation. Tampa is having an assessment meeting this month. It was agreed that most of the developments described would require more staffing and more funding than we currently have.

Kathy announced that there is an immediate need for another writing tutor for the Writing Lab. The person must have a master's degree in English.

Jim and **Mica** recently attended an informative workshop on grants, during which participants were given parameters and told to create grants based on them. The correct use of goals and outcomes was stressed. Mica said she appreciated the tips on choosing grants.

The web tutorial course **Signe** developed fell through. The software necessary to support it was not updated by the office she worked with in Tampa.

Jerry will attend a workshop on Digital Inclusion in Orlando.

Deb is working on FLA Conference Planning.

Jim is preparing for this Sunday's "Tale of Two Cities," a comparison of St. Petersburg and Tampa, given by Ray Arsenault and Gary Mormino.

Karilyn will be attending the copier contract meeting in Tampa, which will cover bid results from copier vendors.

Karilyn also reminded all to get your collection orders to her soon, because the order deadline is June 15. Rec Reading orders are now done through amazon.com.

In answer to Jim's question, **Signe** said it is improbable that stats on circulation records will be included when the new LMS comes in.

All present complimented **Mica** on her wonderful library displays.

Following a discussion of ways to make more room for expansion of the collection, which included purchasing additional shelving, **Kathy** announced that we will now longer be receiving the \$9,000 addition to our OPS . SPC has decided to discontinue this funding, although they will still be giving smaller amounts for AV services and ID cards for their students.

To do:

1. Merit pay revisions: **Deb, Tina, Jim**
2. Suggest best e-mail decision, reconfigure old computers when new ones are installed, make Explorer the default browser **Complete?**
3. Circulation policy list for community patron categories: **JJ**
4. Orientation for ADA equipment: **Berrie**
5. Spring FARs—**all**.