The Kentucky Library Association
Government Documents Round Table Business Meeting
Kentucky Department for Libraries & Archives, Frankfort, KY
May 19, 2000

MINUTES

Present: Rachel Augello, Gary Austin, Vickey Baggott, Greg Blair, Brandon Burnette, Mildred Franks, Marcia Freyman, Brenda Fuller, Eileen Haddix, Kim Hamlett, Roxanna Jones, Jackie Kinder, Julie Lewis, Sandra McAninch, Rosemary Meszaros, Bruce Miracle, Matt Onion, Rae Sheperd-Shlechter, Ann Sullivan, Vida Vitagliano, Shirl Willis, Dee Wood, Pat Yannarella, Philip Yannarella

Welcome and Business: The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. with Chair, Matt Onion, presiding. The minutes of the October 15, 1999 minutes were approved as written. The Secretary-Treasurer, Dee Wood, reported the Round Table membership was at 31 members, and the treasury had a balance of $504.78.

KCVL/GIA Report: Gary Austin reported on the “Electronic Pathfinders” project in progress by the Government Information Access Committee for the Kentucky Commonwealth Virtual Library. The plan calls for creation of a Kentucky Statistical Abstract Online based on the federal Statistical Abstract of the United States subject headings, but providing mostly Kentucky statistics and with links that point directly to the information. Searchable links will then be made to local, state, federal, and non-governmental sources. Each page will be stored on the KCVL server. Librarians throughout Kentucky will be invited to choose a page/subject area to take responsibility for and to maintain. KCVL administrators also plan to take the government links and put them in with the Virtual Reference Desk links. Gary agreed to send more information to the Kyselect and LTD online discussion lists.

Regional Depository Librarian Report: Sandra McAninch reported that the UK Regional had a very difficult time passing its inspection due to staffing problems and other matters related to the new building, primarily microform storage. A letter from the Regional and WT Young Library administration had to be written in March to show the progress made to improve the weak points of the inspection. GPO was still dissatisfied with the progress because staffing and microform storage had not improved. There is promise for a new staff person, but the position has not been changed yet. Headway has been made with exchange lists. Anyone who submitted lists in 1999 will receive a reply by the end of June. The depository is still on manual check-in because of the migration to Voyager. The new system will be up by June 9, but Bulk import from Marcive will not go live until well after Voyager goes live. A backlog is expected. The budget problems in Washington, D.C. are not going well. The Senate Appropriations Bill is much more positive than the House Appropriations Bill. Continue writing letters, but send the long detailed correspondence to the House and short letters to the Senate. Call high profile persons to talk to House members. New depository contacts at this meeting are as follows. Anne Sullivan is standing in at KSU until a permanent person can be hired to replace Kevin.
Kretschmer. Mildred Franks is filling in for the retired Lee Caruthers. Rachel Augello is the new librarian at the University of Louisville. Vida Battaglia is the new cataloging librarian at Kentucky State Law Library and is temporarily standing in for Sally Howard, who has retired. Eastern Kentucky University has a vacancy due to Sharon Marsh’s retirement on June 30, and Vicky Baggott will leave Eastern Kentucky University for South Alabama University on May 26.

**E-mail Software Inventory Project:** Phil Yannarella reported that in 1998 Lisa Russell, formerly of the University of Louisville, made a survey and compiled the results into an inventory of e-mail attachment software used by Kentucky’s depository librarians. The list became out of date because many libraries upgraded their hardware and software since that time. Phil sent out a new version of the survey and discovered that not all libraries had the full Microsoft package. All libraries have Microsoft Word 97 to open e-mail attachments, and all but 3 libraries have Microsoft Access. Rae Sheperd-Schlecter was able to open attachments only by using her personal e-mail address. Sandra McAninch reminded everyone that the original reason for the survey was to find a uniform method for sending and receiving electronic exchange lists.

**State Publications Committee:** Bill Richardson was unable to attend the business meeting. Matt Onion explained the membership of this standing committee. The KDLA Coordinator of state documents is a continuing member, and there are 4 other members, appointed by the GODORT Chair in staggered 2-year terms, from fall to fall. Two members will go off the committee and two new members will be appointed at the Fall KLA/GODORT business meeting.

**State FDL Plan Revision Committee:** Roxanna Jones reported on the ad hoc committee to revise the Kentucky State Federal Depository Plan of 1990. The revision committee consisted of Dee Wood, Eileen Haddix, Vkey Baggott, Roxanna Jones, and Matt Onion (Chair). Radical revisions were made to the model of the 1990 plan. The new plan is a goals, outcomes, and suggested assessment tools model. The committee is concerned with the ability of all depositories being able to use the same assessment measures across the board. The plan needed suggested assessment measures for smaller and nonacademic depositories, devised by each individual depository. When the plan is agreed upon and approved, it will be distributed electronically and all depository directors will be given a letter to accept the plan. A copy of the plan and letters signed by the directors will be sent to the Government Printing office by Sandra McAninch. When all parts are completed, Matt Onion will mount an amended draft of the plan on the Ashland Community College website, by May 24, hopefully. The executive committee of GODORT will then get together by e-mail to make 1 more refinement of the plan based on final comments. Sandra McAninch reminded everyone that this is not a KLA GODORT activity. We’re simply using the GODORT arena as a meeting method because so many depository contacts are available at the same time. Also, each library’s director must sign off on this plan.

**New Business:** A draft letter of thanks to Governor Patton and a copy of his veto message on H.B. 130 is included in everyone’s handout. The letter has been written at the request of Tom Underwood to commend the Governor for his veto, which otherwise would have compromised our state documents collections and public reference services. It was agreed that a final letter be drafted and sent to the Governor with the vote of the GODORT membership. Sandra McAninch
made the motion to approve sending the letter; Vickey Baggott seconded the motion. Discussion by Sandra McAninch to copy the letter not only to Carolyn Tassie, KLA President and Tom Underwood, KLA Executive Director, but to include Jim Nelson, State Librarian and Richard Belding, Archives. The membership voted unanimously in favor of the letter.

**Announcements:** The Fall Conference Business meeting will be held on Friday, October 20, 2000. Matt Onion will give Round Table Mini-session titled “Best Documents in Print” at the Fall Conference.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted
Dee Wood
Secretary-Treasurer, KLA GODORT