

Janus Challenges Task Forces

Commons Area:

Each Janus Challenge Task Force is expected to be familiar with the background materials written by the Collection Planning Committee's Janus Challenges Working Group and to have a fundamental understanding of the original "Six Key Challenges for the Future of Collection Development" as presented by Ross Atkinson at the Janus Conference held at Cornell University in 2005. Links to these documents and resources are provided. Each Task Force is expected to review the impacts, recommendations and benchmarks for the six Janus Challenges. It is expected that the Task Forces will survey the current environment at each institution and be familiar with what is occurring nationally. Members are free to discuss any issues with those outside of a Task Force and may consider working with anyone who may be able to make a contribution. The **Benchmarks** provided in the Janus Challenges Working Group document were established as a way to measure progress and to keep the projects moving forward. The **Recommendations** are meant to be a representative, not exclusive, listing. Each Task Force is free to make changes as necessary while adhering as closely as possible to the **Goal** statement and reporting timeline. The overarching objective of this work is to develop a sustainable framework for greater resource sharing amongst our libraries. By creating a statewide asset between higher education institutions, efficiencies and economies of scale will surely benefit Florida's public good.

Challenge Two: Procon (Prospective Conversion) Task Force Charge

- The Task Force advises CSUL's Collection Planning Committee on the issues related to purchasing digital library resources with an emphasis on monographs. The CPC appoints the Chair. The Chair will call meetings and maintain the records of the Task Force's discussions
- Janus Documents relevant to Challenges Two will be reviewed and revised. Impact, Recommendations, Benchmark statements will be drafted as needed.
- The Task Force will develop a Principles and Guidelines document, not to exceed 5 pages (plus attachments), for how member institutions can cooperate more effectively outside of FCLA purchases. Submit to CPC by final report deadline
- Recommend to the CPC if this task force should be temporary or permanent

Reporting deadlines:

Within one month of the Task Force membership being named, the group will meet via conference call and establish a schedule for accomplishing the work of the group. The Chair will report back to Valerie Boulos, FIU, liaison to the CPC as needed.

- Status Report submitted to CPC (prior to August, 2008 CPC Conference Call)
- Final Report Submitted to CPC (prior to November, 2008 CPC Conference Call)
- CPC will establish digital as the preferred format for shared collections by July 2009 and will draft a position statement that articulates electronic as the preferred format
- This task force will help ensure that a new focus on migrating print to e-only state wide agreements will be emphasized no later than July 2009

Membership:

The CPC selects task force members and appoints the Chair.

1. Athena Hoepfner, UCF, Chair
2. Monica Metz-Wiseman, USF
3. Claire Dygert, FCLA
4. Peter McKay, UF
5. Natalee Hattig, FSU

CPC Liaison: Valerie Boulos, FIU

Supporting Materials:

Collection Planning Committee's Janus Task Force Report

Collection Planning Committee's Janus Task Force Briefing Document

Link to Janus Conference video: <http://hdl.handle.net/1813/5426>

Atkinson, Ross, "Six Key Challenges for the Future of Collection Development," *Library Resources & Technical Services* v. 50: no. 4 (Oct. 2006), 244-51