

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 project 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 One: Recon Task Force Charge

- CPC appoints a Chair. The Chair will call meetings and maintain the records of the Task Force's discussions
- Janus Documents will be reviewed and revised. Impact, Recommendations, Benchmark statements will be drafted as needed
- Implementation Strategy, not to exceed 5 pages (plus attachments) and submit to CPC by final report deadline
- Establish priorities for major digitization projects
- Recommend the Task Force's status as temporary or standing committee

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 Roy Ziegler who will serve as the Liaison Coordinator to the CPC, Statewide Storage Task Force and Special Collections Subcommittee 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)
- Final report to include plan for implementation by Fall 2009

Membership:

The CPC selects task force members and appoints the Chair. The task force also seeks a channel of communication with the Statewide Storage Committee.

1. Lucy Patrick, FSU, Chair
2. Lee Dotson, UCF
3. Cathleen Martyniak, UF
4. Zita Cael, FAU
5. Priscilla Caplan, FCLA

CPC Liaison: Roy Ziegler, FSU

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.