



Board Meeting Minutes
Friday, September 14, 2007
Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton
SEFLIN Conference Room 451, Wimbish Wing
8:30am-12:00pm

Members Present: Barry Baker, Chair (UCF), Julia Zimmerman (FSU), Kathleen Miller (FGCU), Lauren Sapp (FAMU), Derrie Perez (USF), Antonie Downs (FIU), Shirley Hallblade (UNF), Dana Sally (UWF), Judith Russell (UF), William Miller (FAU), Jim Corey (FCLA), Richard Madaus (CCLA)

Welcome and Introductions. Barry Baker welcomed all attendees.

1. **Agreement on Agenda.** The agenda was approved.
2. **Minutes** of June 1, 2007. The minutes as previously distributed were ratified.
3. **Schedule of next meetings.** Meeting dates and locations were approved with the following changes as noted:
 - A. December 7, 2007 – Florida Gulf Coast, Ft. Myers with CCLA—[CSUL meeting will end at 3:00 p.m on December 6; FCLA Board meeting will be 3:00-5:00 p.m.]
 - B. March 14, 2008 – University of Central Florida, Orlando [changed from March 7 due to scheduling conflict]
 - C. June 13, 2008 – Florida State University, Tallahassee [changed from June 6 due to scheduling conflict]
 - D. September 5, 2008 – Florida A&M University, Tallahassee
 - E. December 5, 2008 – with CCLA to arrange
4. **Report of the FCLA Director.** --Jim Corey
 - A. **Budget & Planning**—the budget cut for FCLA is \$552,000 and will be prorated across all areas of FCLA activity. This will affect money available for SUS library licensing and equipment. FCLA will continue to pay for DLLI courier and OCLC telecommunications costs.

The \$5.9 M request has been approved by the BOG so it will be in the Legislative Budget Request. Each SUL will be invoiced in January for a portion of Claire Dygert's salary, by previous agreement. She is gradually becoming involved in licensing negotiation activities.

- B. **Library Services**—3 schools are switching to ALEPH v. 18 this week. More work is being done on v. 18 authority control and self-check out. The next flurry of work will be on Endeca. There is much work now on Digitool also, converting documents from DLXS to Digitool, and also involving opening Digitool to new submissions. The goal is to increase Digitool's capacity by a factor of 10 to handle more documents.

- Resource Licensing efforts are continuing, with final costs unknown as yet.
- COOP: FCLA is getting Metalib 4.0 onto the COOP machine, and a Digitool backup machine has been ordered. There are no plans for an Endeca backup machine yet. FCLA first has to determine what size machine is necessary to handle the Endeca load.
- Verde and Aleph: FCLA prepared a long list of what does not work on Verde, and shared it with other customers, which did not make ExLibris happy but the company is working through the problems. FCLA has hired Jean Phillips, formerly of U-Maryland, to work on Aleph, with which she has extensive experience.

5. Report of the Collaborative Ventures Steering Committee. --Jim Corey, Richard Madaus, Barry Baker

This group composed of the executive committees, staff and directors of FCLA and CCLA met at Miami Dade College in August, and will continue to meet once or twice a year. It is a replacement for the Aleph Implementation Steering Committee (AISC). The AISC Joint-Use subcommittee will become a subcommittee of the Collaborative Ventures Steering Committee (CVSC). The Joint-Use Libraries Subcommittee is being co-chaired by Barry Baker and Pat DiSalvo.

At the Miami meeting, Richard Madaus stated that the idea of demonstrated cooperation between SULs and community college libraries is again potentially under scrutiny in Tallahassee and that we should proactively be creating a document on the extensive history of cooperation we already have, and our ongoing efforts in that direction. Richard is working on a draft of that document.

There was some discussion about the possibility of a Giant Union Catalog (GUC), which is easier for the community colleges to have given their data structure. There is no reasonable way for the SULs to create a GUC with the community colleges using ALEPH, but there may be using Endeca or Primo. There was also some discussion of using open-source products for a union catalog, though Jim Corey says that this is premature. Fedora is an open-source product which could eventually replace Digitool; Lucene, an open-source search engine which is the guts of Primo, could eventually replace both Endeca and Primo. Using open-source products would eliminate annual maintenance costs to commercial vendors but of course entail labor, development, and maintenance efforts (and costs) internally.

There was some discussion about having one joint SUS catalog a la Ohiolink, which is a centralized Innovative Interfaces catalog of 39 million records, not de-duped. Users search either their own institution's catalog or a union catalog, and can order online what their institution does not own. Group sentiment was in favor of one joint catalog for the SUS eventually. Jim feels that the Ex Libris product does not work well for this purpose for the SULs given our data structure. Richard stated that the community colleges are using the unmediated borrowing aspect of Ex Libris, and offered to incorporate some of our records for experimentation.

6. Report of the State Librarian. No report.

7. Report of the CCLA Director --Richard Madaus

Richard Madaus reported an inflationary increase of 4.9% this year in the CCLA operating budget, however, it was offset by a 4% budget cut. CCLA currently has 15 open positions and will not be filling some of these due to budget cuts; CCLA has hired Karen Schneider in the position of Product Development Consultant.

Community College enrollment is up 7% statewide. The Community College Council of Presidents is intent on maintaining an open-door policy despite budget cuts. There is no community college chancellor right now, but Dr. Willis Holcombe (former Broward Community College President) starts as interim on Oct. 1. Richard expects a tough budget situation for the next 2-3 years.

All community colleges are going to Aleph v. 18 over Christmas.

CCLA is favoring Primo over Endeca as the first product released. Primo will be CCLA's venture in the "discovery tool" realm. V.18 will still contain an Aleph based OPAC, however, the future of the OPAC as a long term product is not determined at this time.

CCLA is using PlanView for project management, time reporting, and examining costs; ASERL and SOLINET have expressed interest in learning more about the CCLA implementation of this product.

8. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.