

# Technical Services Planning Committee Report

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## **SUS Technical Services Planning Committee June 5 status report to SUS Library Directors**

The Technical Services Planning Committee is in the process of setting its agenda for 1996/97. While still open for discussion, the following issues have been identified:

### **1. SUS Task Force on Staff Workstations (Jointly charged with Public Services)**

A Preliminary Report was prepared and issued for comment May 14, 1996. The final report is expected July 1. The report will detail the critical importance of providing staff with the workstation equipment to support enhanced library services. Also included in the report will be planning considerations and recommended specifications.

The TS Planning Committee will urge that this report be used as part of any SUS and local guidelines for deployment of 1996/97 library equipment funds transferred from FCLA.

### **2. Authority Subcommittee of the Technical Services Planning Committee Effective June 1, 1996 Phek Su of UF will co-chair this group with Nancy Williams.**

A new charge has been drafted for the subcommittee, requesting a report on options for cooperative authority ventures or projects by Fall 1996.

### **3. Recommendation to begin the process of defining a new library management system.**

To follow up on some of the discussion at the SUS Planning Retreat in April, a high priority for the SUS libraries is to revamp/replace the current library management system (now LUIS). As the FCLA/SUS Journal Article Delivery plan nears the end of its 5 year cycle, a new plan is needed, one more comprehensive in terms of the array of library services provided by the SUS libraries and supported by the FCLA.

### **4. Housekeeping**

Possible agenda topics which would benefit from SUS-wide consideration include: outsourcing

of cataloging, cooperative original cataloging, preservation, shared procedural documents via the Web.

TS Planning Committee Membership -- each institution is in the process of confirming its representative and the priority issues it supports for consideration.

**Note:** It is hoped that the Directors, through their direct interactions with their TS Planning reps, and the recommendations of the SUS Strategic Planning Committee can help energize the action agenda for this group for 1996/97.