

**Library Cluster Meeting Minutes**  
**Ybor City Campus**  
**August 22, 2005**

**Attending:** Alicia Ellison, Wendy Foley, Jeneice Sorrentino, Jeremy Bullian, Jacquelyn Cress, Vic Harke, Dan Hood

**Visiting:** Karen Griffin

The meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m.

The April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005 minutes were approved assuming two minor spelling errors were corrected before publication.

**Administrative Update: (Karen Griffin)**

After reviewing library policies at other community colleges in Florida, Karen noted that nearly all had either free access or lower fees than HCC for community borrowers. Wendy moved to drop the \$25 fee, and Alicia seconded. Discussion ensued with Alicia citing the ability of borrowers to simply inter-library loan items from HCC to their local public library. The cluster voted unanimously to drop the \$25 fee. With the fee abolished, the library operations manual will need to be altered to reflect the change. Jeneice will make the necessary changes and forward the updated operations manual to cluster members for approval.

Karen discussed the necessity for each campus to post collection assessment reports on the Libraries web page. Discussion followed about which programs were reviewed last year and whether collection assessments were completed. Since the librarians at each campus had already done the social sciences, discussion ensued about which discipline should be tackled next. Karen will forward a program review schedule to the group.

Finally, Karen thanked the cluster members for their participation in the day's events. The format for the learning outcomes meetings was different from past years with librarians attending each of the other general education clusters' meetings. Regardless, Jackie and Alicia mentioned making a meaningful contribution to the discussion in the cluster meetings they attended. In the future Karen will inform clusters 1-6 that a librarian will be attending their meeting for a specific purpose.

Everyone thanked Karen for promoting the libraries throughout the 2005 faculty in-service. Vic said he enjoyed his presentation at the adjunct orientation the week before.

**Pornography/Library Issue: (Vic)**

Via email, Karen asked librarians from the 28 other community colleges in Florida about their policies relating to pornography viewing in the library. After receiving some replies, it seemed the answers varied. Reporting anything looking like child pornography to the police remained a common trait, however. Karen will share these emails and responses with the cluster as soon as possible.

Vic generated discussion about intellectual freedom, and some valid points were discussed. Among them, Karen noted that there are some legitimate tie-in's for pornography in the classroom. The study of taboo language (slang/dialect-specific words for copulation) is just one example. Karen stated that Dr. Carley did not support filtering similar to what is used in public libraries.

Jackie related her ordeal with pornography at the Dale Mabry campus. She posed concerns about what the librarians are expected to say or do when pornography viewing is reported. She would like to know if the college's lawyer has a position on this issue.

Regarding non college affiliates viewing pornography, Wendy noted that HCC students should have first priority to use library computers. In times of high computer usage, she suggested giving preference to valid HCC students. At least at Brandon, during some periods of the day, it is difficult to find a free computer.

Vic expressed an interest in creating a written policy regarding pornography in the HCC libraries. For the time being the librarians will attempt to hash this out via email discussion. If the issue cannot be settled via email, discussion will continue at the next cluster meeting. Dan is in possession of the college's internet usage policy; he will forward this document to the other cluster members as soon as possible. Wendy indicated that the Acceptable Use sub-committee of the Library Cluster was pre-empted by Academic Affairs. However, she would send the draft Acceptable Use policy that the sub-committee had approved.

### **IT3 Newsletter: (Alicia)**

Alicia informed the cluster of her position on a committee to revamp the IT3 newsletter. The new version will be available only on the web. An article about the HCC libraries' databases authored by Vic Harke will appear in an upcoming IT3 newsletter. Alicia urged everyone to consider submitting work for publication. The deadlines for submissions this academic year will be:

October 21

December 2

February 17

April 21

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Information Literacy Committee: (Jackie)**

As discussed at the previous cluster meeting, customization of the TILT Survey will likely be a monumental task. After further research and consideration, Jeremy and Jackie recommended scaling down the project with hopes of making it more manageable. A meeting will be scheduled to reevaluate the goals and objectives regarding implementation of TILT at HCC.

**Databases: (Karen)**

Near the end of the spring semester, Dr. Carley procured \$5,000 for ebooks. With the cluster's disjointedness caused by some of the librarians taking off for summer break, Jeremy and Alicia were tasked with selecting titles to be purchased. The short notice meant they would have no time to confer with the other librarians (some of whom were already off for the summer) so they chose some Gale Reference titles. As of this date, we do not yet have access to these items.

**Cluster Meeting Schedule for Fall Semester: (All)**

The cluster will attempt to meet:

9/16/2005 @ Brandon Campus, 1:30 p.m.

11/4/2005 @ Plant City Campus, 1:30 p.m.

12/9/2005 @ Ybor City Campus, 12:15 p.m.

**Roundtable: (All)**

Jeneice noted that the Ybor Campus Library hosted a reception for the Board of the Tampa Hispanic Heritage Inc. The Ybor Campus Library is home to this organization's historical repository.

Wendy mentioned an SGA-funded performance of Langston Hughes by performer Bob Devin Jones at the Brandon Campus Library on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

Jackie noted that the Dale Mabry Campus Library will be hosting events for Library Sign-up Week and Banned Books Week in September. Plant City will also have a Banned Books Week promotion.

Vic noted their loss of adjunct librarian Maria Cart at the Dale Mabry Campus. She will be serving as a librarian in the county school district.

Alicia is chairing the screening committee for the Plant City Campus librarian. There will be four other members of which 2 will be librarians, and two will come from outside disciplines. Also, Alicia will present the faculty development website at All College Day this Fall.

Dan will present a workshop at All College Day about using blog and rss technology for professional development.

Jeremy asked the cluster members for help creating a literature review concerning "best practices" for the QEP committee. Craig Johnson would also appreciate the librarians' help with research relating to the QEP. The deadline for the QEP draft is late September.

Dan distributed a survey from the instructional technology committee.

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dan Hood