Minutes for 1/21/2000

Richmond Academic Library Consortium

John Tyler Community College

January 21, 2000

In Attendance:

Dan Bedsole (Randolph-Macon College), Robert Benedetto (Union Seminary), Nancy Brantley (Library of Virginia), Virginia Cherry (Richard Bland College), John Duke (VCU), Gary Graham (JTCC), Linda Luebke (JTCC), Tim Williams (JSRCC).

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by Virginia Cherry at 10:00 a.m. Minutes of the October 15, 1999 meeting approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report - Paul Porterfield

Paul Porterfield (via email) reported that the only business since the last meeting is the payment for the PBX teleconference "Libraries, Copyright, and the Internet." The total cost was $275 distributed to RALC schools at the cost of $5.00 per tape. Paul will present the budget for the next fiscal year at the April 14th RALC meeting.

Committee Reports:

Tech Services:

Nancy Brantley is having a Technical Services meeting on February 4th at The Library of Virginia. The Library of Virginia is having a book repair workshop (SOLINET) and Nancy would like to include RALC.

User Services:

Tim Williams reported that he and his co-chair, Andy Morton (MCV_VCU), will work toward planning a user services mini-conference for sometime in April. Various Directors gave suggestions, including using concurrent sessions of 1/2 day programs.

Film Coop:

In the absence of Dywana Saunders, the new chairman of Film Co-op, Virginia reminded everyone to send their RALC statistics to Dywana at University of Richmond. It is important that everyone submit this information in order to determine usage of shuttle and also usage of audiovisual materials.

Old Business:
**Bylaws Change:**

Tabled pursuant to the "Future of RALC" Committee deliberations.

**Future of RALC Committee:**

John Duke suggested that the committee should look at what RALC can do that is not begin done for us by other consortiums. Library Directors are reminded to send a representative to the RALC Directors' meeting if they are unable to attend.

**Online Catalog Search Engine Committee:**

John Duke volunteered to serve on this committee. It was recommended that Charles Lewis, Tom Campagnoli, Nancy Brantley and Elizabeth Suddeth be asked to serve on this committee. Gene Damon will be asked to chair the committee.

**RALC Home Page:**

Hong Wu is on maternity leave but is monitoring and maintaining the RALC Website. If you have any suggestions, please send to her. Our thanks to Hong for her commitment and time to our RALC Website. Her excellent work is appreciate.

**New Business:**

**Nomination:**

By early February, Virginia Cherry will send out an electronic call for nomination of vice president by early February.

**Executive Board:**

Virginia Cherry, Vonita Foster and Paul Porterfield will meet prior to March 1 in order to discuss the budget.

**Announcements:**

Dan Bedsole announced that the Randolph Macon Directors search was continuing, they were to interview 4 candidates next week.

Nancy Brantley announced that The Library of Virginia has an exhibit "Voting in Virginia".

John Duke reported that VCU is renovating the first floor of Cabell, putting out an RFP for document delivery service, looking at patron generated ILLs, and searching multiple databases using OCLC SiteSearch software (information integration tools for building electronic collections and access and share resources).

Gary Graham announced that the new Midlothian Campus of JTCC will open in May for the Summer 2000 session.

**Adjournment:**
Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Vonita W. Foster, Secretary