

Librarian's Meeting Notes

April 8, 2003

11:00 a.m.

Room 135

Attending: Rick Bearden, Dick Perrin, David Scott, Ray Dickinson, Assistant Dean Joe Weber, Amanda Myers, Yuri Konovalov, Ann Breitenwischer, Leah Monger, Anne Kelly, Keith Upton, Melinda McMartin, Dean Richard Cochran, Paul Kammerdiner

Announcements:

- Amanda gave a positive update on the ongoing saga that is the Faxon mess. The good news is that many publishers have joined the EBSCO agreement and our liability is currently just under \$30,000. This number could go down as more publishers sign on.
- Rick mentioned that a representation from Gale will be coming soon to discuss the possibility of replacing some of the Access Michigan databases that will be going away. MLC is working with FirstSearch on either package or "pay per search" arrangements for those databases as well.
- Joe mentioned that the orientation packets are in the process of production and that we may be asked for input of materials. He has also created a Grants team to look at the grant writing process.
- Two other teams are in the formation stage. One on developing the Professional Development plan, and the other for Marketing. If you are interested in serving on one of these teams, please let Joe know before he twists arms!
- Rick asked for those with dial-up connections from home to test the database usability, to ensure that everything (printing, searching, etc.) is working as advertised.
- New web site will be "unveiled" after finals are over
- Waiting for wiring harnesses for the new copiers. Company is slow in delivery
- Yuri has formed a group to look at the display of call numbers of electronic publications in the OPAC.
- Melinda mentioned that the records survey is well underway

Business/Discussion

- There was no official business at the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 with no objection

Respectfully submitted:

David Scott