

2009 Midwinter Education minutes

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ALA 2009 Midwinter Meeting

Sunday, January 25, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Colorado Convention Center, Korbel Ballroom 4B

Present: Jennie Burroughs, Jeffrey Elliott, Lori Lester, Tina Plottel, Linda Spiro, Carol Spector, Tim Dodge, Tom Twiss

I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Approval of Agenda – Approved with two additions under new business

III. Discussion session: Library school curricula on government information

To begin the discussion session, Karen Hogenboom, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, talked about her experiences incorporating government information into LIS courses on general reference, medical reference, and social science reference. She noted that effectively conveying useful skills and tools is a challenge because there is no way to convey the scope of government information in a one-shot session. Fifty to one hundred minutes of exposure is not enough. Also, she typically teaches in general classrooms, not tech classrooms, which makes it harder to demonstrate government information examples. She charged the group with thinking about how we can

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