

# State Local Midwinter 2009 minutes

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GODORT State and Local Documents Task Force (SLDTF)

ALA Midwinter Meeting

Saturday, January 24, 2009 1:30-3:30pm

Sheraton Denver Hotel, Room: Tower Court

Kris Kasianovitz, Coordinator

Suzanne Sears, Coordinator-Elect

Annelise Sklar, Secretary

Jennie Gerke, Web Coordinator

## Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions: All introduced themselves

II. Attendance Sheet circulated by Suzanne Sears

III. Adoption of the Agenda: Jennie Gerke motioned to accept, James Jacobs seconded

IV. Approval of Minutes from ALA Annual Conference, July 2008: James Jacobs motioned to accept the minutes, Rebecca Blakely seconded

V. Liaison Reports (reports from Committees that have met and only items that are of direct interest or affect SLDTF; Liaisons please post reports to this section of the wiki)

- Legislation – There is talk about forming an ALA-wide interest group on the future of government information.
- Cataloging – nothing specific to state and local to report
- Rare and Endangered Government Publications – no report
- Publications – Will meet Sunday at 8 am. The interviews with the DttP editor candidates will be closed but the rest of the meeting is open.
- Kris also announced that she is looking for someone to take over the State and Local Documents Roundup column
- James gave a plug for the occasional paper series GODORT is starting and reminded people to think about publishing their work as an occasional paper.
- Nominations – nominations are still coming in. There is at least one person running for everything but nominating committee.
- Education – meets tomorrow at 1:30. The committee will be looking at the results of the competencies survey and teaching gov docs. Meeting Summary (submitted by Carol Spector, Liaison):
  - Discussion Session: Library School Curricula on Government Information. Karen Hogenboom provided a brief introduction and presented comments from Geoff Swindells. The committee broke into small groups for discussion, and then reconvened for summary and wrap-up.



## VII. Discussion

- Archiving the CA.GOV Domain Web Archiving Service from the California Digital Library (Tracey Seneca)

Tracey Seneca gave a PowerPoint presentation on the California Digital Library's harvesting of federal, California, and local government websites. CDL is part of the federal end of term harvest along with the Internet Archive, Library of Congress, GPO, and University of North Texas. Programmers are working directly with crawling software for extra control rather than a curatorial interface. The finished captures will eventually be available through the Internet Archive.

At CDL, the Web Archiving Service curatorial tool is still in development. Curators are able to capture web sites and evaluate results but public access is not yet available. Public access is scheduled for summer and the California state government will be the first available. The funding for local government websites storage is coming from each University of California campus. Each UC campus has an account with 1 terabyte and they have to decide what their priorities are. There is a Section 108 study group report that was a collaboration between librarians and publishers. The section on web archiving is only about 7 pages. The recommendations suggest that if a site is available free of charge without registration, librarians should be able to capture it. Sites can prevent crawlers with robots.txt files or ask to have items removed from archives unless they are public entities such as governments, political parties, etc.

- State and Local NGO's - What are they; Who is collecting; How can we better incorporate into our collections, reference and instruction.

Group discussion: One question for Tracy; What kind of archiving of born digital state government information are you doing, if any? Do you have a collection development policy that includes born digital government information?

- Romulo Rivera, Policy Archive

Romulo Rivera from PolicyArchive.org provided an overview of the PolicyArchive.org website. The site is a free archive of gray literature and a partnership with IUPUI. It has a Dspace back-end. The content is OAI-compliant and harvestable. The papers are arranged using PAIS categories. Currently their main issues are sustainability and marketing the site itself (most document hits come via search engine). They are partnering with foundations to archive/curate the foundations' publications with custom sites. They have just started promoting themselves using Facebook and Twitter.

## VIII. Adjourn

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