

**Minutes of the ACRL College Libraries Section
Standards Committee
Annual Meeting, June 2005**

Present: Jules Tate (LSU-Alexandria), Steve Shaw (Prairie View A & M); Kristen Vogel (Illinois Wesleyan); Christine Whittington (Greensboro College); Gene Ruffin (GUCL); Debbie Malone (Desales University). Susan Marie Brown (Transylvania University) joined later.

1. We discussed the need for a white paper on computers to FTE. We decided to continue the excellent draft written by Bethany Levrault. Our goal would be to send the completed white paper to CLS Exec. Committee, and to ACRL as a proposal for guidelines. Debbie Malone volunteered to work on this project, and Jules suggested that Michael Miller (Queens College) might be willing to assist as well. Debbie will contact him. A draft should be prepared by midwinter, 2006.
2. We decided to table a discussion of accreditation of libraries to midwinter. Since ACRL was not supportive, we need to carefully consider the pros and cons.
3. The revised charge for the committee was discussed and approved. Jules will inform absent committee members. The proposed new charge reads:

To promote the implementation of the ACRL Standards for Libraries in Higher Education; to identify and track new concerns that arise regarding the Standards; to investigate mechanisms for evaluating the Standards for continuous improvement; and to serve as the CLS group primarily responsible for determining the need for additional standards and guidelines.

[This revision updates the name of the Standards as of 2004, and changes the last charge item from "for revising the standards once the time for such revision has arrived.]

4. We discussed the need for a white paper on Guidelines for Library facilities which would be useful to planners and design professionals as well as librarians.
 - a. Christine Whittington, Kristin Vogel and Gene Ruffin volunteered to work on this project.
 - b. Larry Boyer (Appalachian State) Chair of LAMA, Buildings for College and University Libraries committee' was unable to attend our meeting but he is interested in assisting in this work.
 - c. The old Community and Junior College Library Standards also had guidelines we should investigate.
 - d. After approval by the CLS Executive Committee, they will go to the ACRL Standards & Accreditation Committee.
 - e. Christine said that she will investigate software that assists in the design process.
5. Robin Wagner, CLS Chair, announced that ACRL was making \$50,000 available in the coming year to sections and committees for projects related to ACRL strategic goals.

