

CLS Continuing Education Committee

Date: Nov. 20-22, 2002

Members: Charles Getchell, Carolyn Gaskell, Debbie Malone, Jon Sparks, Lynn Shepherd, Rick Dyson, Sharon Britton, Susan Whyte, Laura Rein

Virtual Meeting Guest: Debra Rollins

This virtual meeting was held primarily through an exchange of email. Additional discussion took place on Quinnipiac University's Blackboard course management software where Information Service technicians set up a 'course' for the ACRL/CLS/Continuing Education Committee.

- Charles Getchell opened the discussion with the topic of sponsorship of a tour of Toronto college libraries at the upcoming ALA-CLA Annual Conference 2003.
- He also moved for acceptance of the last meeting minutes and asked for a volunteer to distill this meeting's minutes. Laura Rein moved to approve the last minutes and said she would take care of the minutes for this meeting.
- Lynn Shepherd asked what kind of library tour would appeal to conference attendees. She pointed out the difference between college and university libraries in Canada and suggested a tour of selected U of T libraries and the Information Commons.
- Carolyn Gaskell expressed interest in touring the Robarts Library and the Royal Ontario Museum Libraries.
- Laura Rein responded that she liked the idea of touring the Information Commons and perhaps one other U of T library.
- Jon Sparks agreed with Laura's idea and said his preference would be to visit the John P. Robarts Research Library since it contains the largest single collection.
- Charles Getchell raised the question of the logistics of two distinct tours. He agreed that the Information Commons was a good choice for the tour.
- Several members discussed the possibility of utilizing ACRL's WebCT course management software instead of Quinnipiac University's Blackboard. While the current use of Quinnipiac University's Bb is fine (as long as Charles is Chair) there is reason to consider ACRL software/space. Susan Whyte is working to contact Margot Sutton at ACRL to learn more.
- The main topic of discussion on Blackboard was working, at some point in the future, with Bill Nelson and Bob Fernekes, and providing an online tutorial for interested CLS members. The Committee will continue this discussion in the months and meetings ahead.
- Committee Chair Charles Getchell called it a 'wrap' and we were done.

Minutes submitted by: Laura Rein