

LES Planning Committee Meeting

ALA Midwinter Conference Seattle

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Minutes:

Members Attending: Kathleen Kluegel <kkluegel@uiuc.edu> Chair, Elisabeth E Pankl <epankl@lsu.edu>, Diane Warner Diane.Warner@ttu.edu

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I. Reviewed the ACRL Standards and Accreditation Committee's suggestions for revisions to the Research Competency Guidelines. Kathleen Kluegel and Kathy Johnson had met earlier in the conference to identify the path forward for these draft guidelines. The members of the Planning Committee agreed to the following work outline and timetable:

1. A more extensive bibliography including several of the reference works on doing literature criticism research will be compiled by Kathy Johnson, building on the work she has been doing on *The Book*.
2. Kathleen Kluegel will develop a paragraph or so within the proposed guidelines explaining the relationship of the guidelines with the ACRL Information Literacy Standards that are being developed, perhaps including statements about the way it is being used with faculty.
3. Kathleen Kluegel will develop an expanded cover letter for the ACRL Standards and Accreditation Committee and the ACRL Board on the evolution and development of the current proposed guidelines.
4. The draft guidelines will be published in the next edition of *Biblio-Notes* to bring them to the widest possible audience in LES.

This work will be accomplished soon in order to meet the *Biblio-Notes* deadline and the subsequent deadlines for ACRL SAC and ACRL Board for consideration of the guidelines at ALA Annual in 2007.

II. Review the LES Strategic Plan and identify if/how it needs to be updated.

Kathleen Kluegel brought forward an idea on increasing membership involvement in the strategic planning process. In mid-April, she will send a note to LES-L asking the members to identify a single element of the current strategic plan that they feel is the most important and a possible strategy to achieve it and post it to the list. Alternatively, they can identify a particular element in the strategic plan that they feel is completely

unimportant and should be dropped. This online discussion will provide the members of the LES Planning Committee with useful information to consider in their revision of the strategic plan at ALA Annual.

- III. Discuss the honoraria policies of ACRL to see if we can draft a revision to correct perceived discrepancies to bring to ALA Council. One particular concern is for people who have an MLS but are not employed as librarians and would not ordinarily attend the conference. Actual policy is:
<http://www.ala.org/ala/acrl/aboutacrl/resourcesforwork/guidetopolicies/chapter6budget.htm#six13four>

This item needs further research before it can be brought to LES Exec or other body for consideration. Kathleen Kluegel volunteered to contact some ALA staff members to identify the current implementation of the policy. She will distribute the information to members of the LES Planning Committee for review at ALA Annual.

IV. Implementation of the LES Action Plan

It was determined that the implementation of the LES Action Plan is the purview of the LES Executive Committee. Millie Jackson has the lead role in developing the MLA session proposal for LES. Kathleen Kluegel will contact a local faculty member to explore interest in participating in the MLA session.

V. Review of the role of the LES Section Historian

Because the respective roles of the LES Secretary, LES Historian, and LES Web Master appear to have some overlapping responsibilities in the areas of retention, access, and archiving of LES materials both physical and digital, this action is on hold pending a policy review by Kathy Johnson.

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Kluegel