

Agenda for Midwinter 2001 Publications Committee Meeting

RBMS Publications Committee
Saturday, January 13th, 2:00-4:00
Massachusetts room, Capital Hilton

1. Selection of recorder--Margaret Nichols
2. Review of Publications Committee charge (see below)--Nichols
3. RBM--Lisa Browar/Marvin Taylor
4. RBMS brochure and logo--Nichols
5. Newsletter--Daren Callahan/Manon Theroux
6. Web site--Christian Dupont
7. RBMS-L--Priscilla Thomas for Everett Wilkie?

The meeting is open to all interested conference attendees.

Background for no. 2 above:

In its Midwinter 2000 report on a proposed restructuring of RBMS, an Executive Committee subcommittee suggested that the Publications Committee rework its charge. Here is our current charge and related information, from the RBMS Manual:

--Charge: To investigate the avenues of print and electronic publishing open to the section; to implement and clarify the procedures required by ACRL and ALA for publishing within and outside their auspices; to assist the section and its committees with publishing projects that have been approved by the RBMS Executive Committee. In particular, to oversee the communication activities of the RBMS Newsletter, the RBMS Listserv, and the RBMS Website, as well as other forms of electronic communication; and to represent the section's viewpoints on publishing to ACRL and ALA.

--Comment: The Publications Committee is not meant to originate publications. However, it has assumed an active role in support of RBML both by suggesting topics and proposing authors for articles and by securing funding. The committee charge was revised by the RBMS Executive Committee on 8 July 1996.

--Coordination: RBMS section chair; editor of the RBMS Newsletter; the RBMS Webmaster; the editor of RBML, who is ex officio a member of the Publications Committee and the ACRL Publications Committee. The chair of the RBMS Publications Committee serves as liaison to the ACRL Publications Committee.