RBMS Collection Development Discussion Group Sunday, July 12, 2009 8:00 am-10:00 am Hyatt Regency Chicago, Columbus Hall H

Minutes

A small but enthusiastic crowd of both RBMS members and ALA members from other sections joined co-chairs Ron Lieberman and Lois Black to explore pressing issues in collection development. The primary discussion topic, identifying potential transfers from the general collections, occupied much of the session. Particularly relevant was mention of the RBMS "Guidelines on the Selection and Transfer of Materials from General Collections to Special Collections". Discussion about the "Last Copy in Illinois", an initiative to preserve a copy of every book in the state followed. Finally, the session concluded with a look at off-site storage and Special Collections.