NMRT Board Member Progress Report

1. Office Name: Member Services Director

2. Office Term: 2009-2011

3. What kind of interaction have you had with your committees thus far this year? What support have you been able to provide them?

Web Committee: Gave updates about holding Collage training for new members and had web pages updated upon requests. The committee will soon take course to fix problems in preparing for the migration to Drupal.

Mentoring: According to the chairs, the Committee is running smoothly.

Footnotes: The March just came out on time and looks great.

RRS: One of the committee member, Laura McKellar DeLancey, resigned before Midwinter. Other committee member took over her work.

From one of the Chairs: “The conference service at Midwinter went well. We recruited many reviewers. The only thing was not so many people came to the Placement Centre. I was there for a couple of hours and found the whole Placement Centre was very quiet. I thought that was because this year the Placement Centre was hiding at the end of the Convention Centre building. Another reason might be less junior people attend Midwinter. I believe we will get more attention at Annual Conference.”

I volunteer each conference at the RRS booth and was very surprised at the low turnout in San Diego as well. The directions were misleading, as there was a computer café around the corner that said ‘career center.’ But overall, the placement center as a whole is getting smaller and smaller, as fewer recruiters are coming to the conference. This may be worth looking into depending on how ALA Annual goes. In the past, the Annual visits are quite high.

4. What would you still like to accomplish in your office before the end of your term?
- Find ways to help market the RRS Service at Annual in order to reach a larger number of potential job hunters.
- Continue to find ways to increase cross-committee collaboration on marketing and publicity for events.
- Think about current projects and programs look into new areas of development and expansion.

5. Date of report: March 10, 2011

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