

LibFutures Steering Committee Meeting
February 2, 2005

In attendance were Robert Aspri (HELIN), Cheryl R. Banick (SCA-RICH chapter), Kathy Boyd (HELIN), Carol H. Brouwer (NSM representing CLAN), Peter Deekle (CRIARL), Donna Longo DiMichele (LORI Committee), Ronald Fark (Brown- LORI Committee), Michael Havenar (URI GSLIS), Phyllis Humphrey (RIEMA), De Johnson (RILA), Rolf Johnson (RICFB), Janet Levesque (CUM- RILA) David Macksam, Cindy Mulbach (St. George's School), Anne Parent (OLIS), & Ruth Sullivan (CCRI).

This meeting was postponed because of snow from January 26, 2005.

Program groups: Ron Fark prepared and presented a document outlining the purpose, charge, activities, output, outcomes and membership criteria for the database working group. The "one catalog" and "lifelong learning" groups will follow suit. Posting for working groups for the three key service areas will be posted at the same time on the OLIS and LibFutures websites; replies are to be sent to the chairs' email addresses by Feb 28th.

Working groups should have no more than eight members with broad representation of the Rhode Island library community; those on the steering Committee are not to serve as members of the working groups. Working groups will have only a few months to complete their tasks. Those selected as working group members will be invited to the next LibFutures meeting to begin their work.

Anne Parent informed the group that the Governor's appointments to the Legislative Commission are expected by February 6th. No commission meeting is scheduled as of yet.

3. Bob Aspri reported on the INN-Reach discussion, which took place at the ALA in Boston. Innovative can work with disparate systems for a statewide catalog, but a CLAN switch would simplify the process.
4. David Macksam addressed the role of Steering Committee delegates as official organizational representatives with authority and responsibility to act as conduits for information. Ideally, alternates would also be appointed.
5. With the full commission not yet in place, the commission meeting was not held.
6. Half day sessions with facilitator Maureen Sullivan are recommended for discussion of barrier issues. current roles, governance and funding.
7. Other business: Cheryl reported that Tim Spindler has spiffed up the LibFutures website recently. In addition to space for white papers, it was suggested that those who have provided funding and sponsorship of the LibFutures conference and town meeting be included, as well as a roster of Steering Committee members and their affiliations

along with links to their organization's websites. Copies of a posted bibliography were distributed.

Next meeting will be March 9, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. at Cranston Public Library.