

**GODORT of Ohio  
Fall Meeting  
October 27, 1995  
Denison University**

The meeting was called to order by President Nani Ball (Miami Univ.- Middletown).

Minutes of the Spring 1995 meeting were approved without correction or amendment.

The treasurer's report was approved.

Nani Ball (Miami) announced that George Barnum (Case Western Reserve Univ.) had taken over as editor of *Docs Prescriptions*; deadlines for the coming year are in the latest issue.

**CLYDE AWARD PRESENTATION**

The Fifth Clyde Award was bestowed upon George Barnum (CWRU) in recognition of his years of outstanding service to this organization and the docs world.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Newsletter**

The newsletter committee will meet eventually to discuss format changes. Mark Gooch (CSU Law) volunteered to replace George on the committee.

**Resource Sharing**

Because the State Library decided not to participate in the DOQ selective housing project the idea was tabled. The SLO has selected and will house the cds for all 50 states.

It was noted that there will be several complete sets of the U.S. Geological Survey Digital Raster Graphics (DRG) cds scattered throughout the state.

**Speaker's Bureau**

Kathy Webb (Univ. of Dayton) was not present; Mark Gooch (CSU Law) reported that, as yet, no one has volunteered their services as a speaker.

**Union List**

Rosemary Harrick (Kent State Univ.) was not present; consensus is to wait until the end of the 1996 selection cycle before investigating any further.

**GODORT of Ohio E-Mail List**

Diane May (Kent State Univ.) was not present, but has volunteered to be the keeper of the list. Forward messages, ideas, etc. to her and she will post for the group. Evron Collins (Bowling Green State Univ.) suggested that those who attend Depository Library Council meetings could post summaries, and "hot

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gossip". We can also use the list to post meeting reminders and "Needs and Offers". There was brief discussion about creating an interactive listserv such as govdoc-l but it was noted that such an enterprise would be complicated and time-consuming.

#### OhioLINK/III Interest Group

The group won't be meeting today as had been tentatively scheduled.

Karen Kottsy (Univ. of Cincinnati) and Anne Flint (OhioLINK) reported on various topics:

Kathy Webb (Univ. of Dayton) and the CIRM (Cooperative Information Resources Management) Committee recommended that OhioLINK contract with Legislate; however because this service is quite expensive a special task force will be investigating the possibility of going with CQ Alert.

It was noted with dismay that the decisions regarding government documents in OhioLINK have been based on cost rather than quality.

The attitude of the staff at AutoGraphics has been improving, however, and they are consulting with documents librarians as they develop their products.

#### Traveling Display

Mary Prophet (Denison Univ.) reported that she is working to improve the portability of the unit, which is beginning to show its age. Evron Collins volunteered to help create an updated map showing the locations of Ohio depositories.

#### Membership

No report; Mary Prophet (Denison) said that she had too many other commitments to be the Chair of this committee; Coleen Parmer (BGSU) is also on this committee.

#### State Plan

Clyde Hordusky (State Library of Ohio) said that the plan must be completely rewritten but he hasn't had time to tackle it. Julia Baldwin (Univ. of Toledo) volunteered to help work on the section of the plan dealing with the proliferation of electronic sources. Karen Kottsy (Univ. of Cincinnati) offered to contact Robin Haun-Mohamed at GPO to see if we could look at another state's plan to use as a model.

#### Inspection Update

Jeff Wanser (Hiram) reported that they "passed with bruises" and that much was the same from the last inspection. Recurrent problems include: lack of adequate space, no handicapped access, lack of bibliographic control, and insufficient staffing. Hiram got credit because of the new building and the recently signed

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contract with III. Given the staffing situation, they will be reducing the percentage selected.

Megan Mitchell (Oberlin College) reported that Oberlin passed. Trouble spots included the library's policy of requiring a valid ID from all guest users, and restrictions on unaccompanied minors. Oberlin will be re-formulating its access policy to address these issues.

Cynthia Hall (Porter Public) passed her first inspection. Of note were their promotion activities, which included an appearance by the mayor at their "inauguration" and a cake with the depository logo. She asked for some assistance with handling microfiche.

George Kline (Toledo-Lucas County Public) reported that they didn't pass inspection are currently on probation. Trouble spots include: bibliographic control, map storage, space problems. The good news is that the inspection report got the attention of the library administration. There will be having a follow-up visit in November. If the levy on the ballot passes there should be money for a new addition to the building in the near future.

Julia Baldwin (Univ. of Toledo) recommended that libraries with inspections looming take the time to do the optional self study.

#### **DEPOSITORY LIBRARY COUNCIL REPORT**

George Barnum (CWRU): There were fewer GPO staffers than usual; major focus of the meeting was the conversion of the Federal Depository Library Program from mixed formats to all electronic.

Congress won't pay for paper or fiche distribution; as yet there has been no revision of Title 44 and no more effort to require agencies to comply with the existing law.

The Public Printer is going ahead with a study recommended in a bill that hasn't yet passed. Assumptions of the study are: that the FDLP will be primarily electronic; that the law will be revised to clearly include electronic information and that program participation be required (really); that the FDLP will be restructured; that funding will not exceed current levels.

Sooner rather than later the suggested minimum technical guidelines will become requirements.

Generally speaking there was lots of complaining going on and worrying about how libraries will cope; it is also assumed that some libraries will drop out of the FDLP

Item Number creation will continue to occur in an ad hoc manner; because titles are coming into the program in various unpredictable ways there is not enough time to survey libraries in advance.

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SPRING MEETING will be held at Hiram College.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Karen Kimber (Wright State Univ.) will chair and Kathy Webb (Univ. of Dayton) will assist.

**OHIO FIVE CONSORTIUM**

Margie Powell (College of Wooster) talked about the new consortium of five private liberal arts colleges funded through a Mellon grant: Kenyon, Denison, Wooster, Ohio Wesleyan, and Oberlin. The Library representatives have been meeting in various sub-committees (Directors, Circulation/I.I., Reference, Technical Services/Cataloging, Government Documents). Margie is the chair of the government documents sub-committee which has initiated a zero-based study of collections and item selections, and has worked out an agreement for selecting the complete set of the Digital Raster Graphics cd-roms.

**HARVARD CONFERENCE**

Margie Powell (Wooster), George Barnum (CWRU) and Mary Prophet (Denison) will be presenting a panel discussion on the future of government information in academic libraries at Harvard at the end of March.

There was no new business and the meeting adjourned.

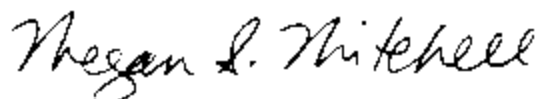
Lunch on our own

**AFTERNOON PROGRAM**

We had "tour" of the planetarium.

Mary Prophet (Denison) presented a slide show and discussed her sabbatical research on posters issued by the GPO between 1935 and 1950.

Respectfully submitted,



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Secretary/Treasurer