



**Government Documents Roundtable of Ohio
Fall Business Meeting
King Library, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio
November 9, 2012**

In attendance:

Audrey Hall, Jeffrey Hartsell-Gundy, Doreen Hockenberry, Roger Kosson, Jeanne Lagendorfer, Shari Laster, Amy McCoy, Lorna Newman, Carol Ottolenghi, SaraJean Petite, Carol Singer, Peter Thayer.

Welcome

GODORT President Jeffrey Hartsell-Gundy thanked everyone for coming, and introduced Aaron Shrimpton, Assistant Dean of Reference and Collection Services, King Library, Miami University. Dean Shrimpton welcomed GODORT, and noted that – although the exact dates were in question – Miami had been a depository library for over 100 years.

Programs

“How to Weed 75,000 Government Documents in Less than One Year”

Bowling Green Librarians Carol Ann Singer and Jeanne Langendorfer tag-teamed their presentation in much the same way they tag-teamed their weeding project. The project took on added urgency when the space allocated to government documents was cut significantly. They discussed staffing issues, naming conventions, cataloging, and the importance of writing the process down as part of legacy planning.

“Identifying Micro for Weeding”

Lorna Newman of the University of Cincinnati explained how she weeds her print and microfiche collections as the GPO catalogs online resources. She advised us to let the GPO know about resources that we find online because the GPO will catalog them for us.

“The Ohio Attorney General’s New Website”

Carol Ottolenghi gave a brief tour of the Attorney General’s website (www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov). Information on the site includes AG Opinions, the charitable organization database, consumer court decisions, the Sunshine Laws Manual, Compatible Public Office manual, the Administrative Law Handbook and the Nonprofit Handbook.

Ms. Ottolenghi also told the group that the Attorney General’s Office is thinking of supporting the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act (UELMA). She asked for GODORT of Ohio’s support. Lorna Newman asked what was needed. Ms. Ottolenghi said she would post something to the listserve.

Lunch

Clyde Award Presentation

In recognition of Doreen Hockenberry's retirement as the Head of the Government Documents Department at Alden Library at Ohio University, and in appreciation for her contributions to GODORT and government documents librarianship, GODORT of Ohio presented Ms. Hockeberry with the Clyde Award. A fabulous picture of Ms. Hockenberry and Mr. Hartsell-Gundy was taken.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

SaraJean Petite presented her last secretary's report, which covered the 2012 Spring Business Meeting. Several minor corrections were made. Peter Thayer moved that it be accepted as corrected. Carol Ann Singer seconded. Ms. Petite indicated that she would make the corrections.

Carol Ottolenghi presented the following Treasurer's report. From May to November 2012, GODORT of Ohio's total income was \$630: \$380 in dues, and \$250 from ProQuest's lunch sponsorship. The only expense attributed to this period is \$195.03 for the purchase and engraving of the Clyde Award.

Report from the State Library (Audrey Hall)

There have been several staff changes at the State Library. Katie Campbell has resigned. Ashley Clark, a long-time State Library staffer who had just gotten her MLS, will replace her. In addition, Judith Cosgray has joined the State Library as a full-time outreach person to state government. Ms. Hall noted that it has been a while since there was a full-time outreach person.

The library for the U.S. Court of Appeals in Cincinnati will soon cease to be a depository library, and holdings will appear on upcoming needs-and-offers lists.

The following librarians are new coordinators of government documents:

- Laura Ray, Cleveland State Law;
- Carol Zsula, Cleveland State Schwartz Library;
- Kelly Broughton, Ohio University;
- Amy McCoy, University of Akron Law Library;
- Robert Schirmer, University of Findlay Shafer Library;
- Deb Thompson, University of Rio Grande.

Report on the State Action Plan (Audrey Hall)

There have been compliments on the State Action Plan and Ms. Hall said that they were "all due to Shari Laster, who wrote most of it." Ms. Hall said that the Plan is online, and that she also will post it on the State Library's site, www.library.ohio.gov.

Survey deadlines have been extended to November 30, 2012.

There was discussion of the needs-and-offers list, the digital resource commons, and a marketing tool kit (more on these below). GODORT of Ohio will pull together a task

force to work on and with the marketing tool kit; watch the listserve for your opportunity to be part of it.

Shari Laster requested that the State Action Plan be a recurring agenda item for the foreseeable future.

Report on the Inventory of Projects Preserving State Government Information
(Audrey Hall)

Ms. Hall reminded us of the ALA's GODORT collection of state agency databases at http://wikis.ala.org/godort/index.php/State_Agency_Databases

There is currently a dearth of reported projects, so if your Library is preserving specific batches of state government information, please contact Ms. Hall at ahall@library.ohio.gov.

Web Committee Report (SaraJean Petite)

The transfer to the new website is complete. Ms. Petite is loading GODORT of Ohio forms onto the new platform and will test them before freeing them for membership use.

Bylaws Committee Revision Report (SaraJean Petite)

While existing bylaws updates were being incorporated into the online version, discrepancies were uncovered. These have been corrected. The revised and corrected version will be presented for a vote at the Spring Meeting.

Ms. Petite suggested considering an additional change that would ease the transition when a new treasurer takes over. Current bylaws do not specifically permit the outgoing treasurer to put transfer banking rights to the in-coming treasurer. Spelling out the banking succession will make that transition easier for the bank and GODORT. Ms. Petite, Jeanne Lagendorfer, Peter Thayer and Carol Ottolenghi will work on the wording.

Fall FDLC Meeting Discussion (Shari Laster and Audrey Hall)

All four sessions of the forecast survey project are available in the iCohere archive. This is phase 1 of the project. Phase 2 will identify issues and further investigate them via follow-up questionnaires, interviews and focus groups. Phase 3 will interpret and report the data, and develop a national plan for the FDLP.

The GPO expects to release a white paper this spring comparing survey results to current statutes and regulations. The goal is to review potential changes to administrative rules and statutes.

The GPO has ebook distribution agreements Barnes & Noble, Apple and OverDrive.

New FDsys collections will include additional courts, Treasury documents, and bound Congressional Record issues. Training modules are being recorded, and will be made available when completed.

The National Bibliographic Records Inventory, an LSCM initiative, combines several previous attempts to create a full inventory of all FDLP documents.

The DSIMS development team is cleaning-up records.

The new FLDP.gov site should launch in November 2013. A new “Ben’s Guide” will follow.

“Government Information at Your Fingertips” is the new FDLP promotional campaign slogan. New promotional materials are available and a webinar is forthcoming. Interested librarians may join GODORT of Ohio’s soon-to-be developed marketing team. Details will be posted on the listserve.

Librarians are encouraged to subscribe to the FDLP Connection, which is now a significant GPO communications tool.

ALA GODORT Report (Shari Laster)

The new interest group structure has been formalized. The first group is Information Technology, which replaces GITCO.

Last Spring’s webinar was judged a success, and the Education Committee will organize additional ones.

ALA plans to capture future programs digitally, and make the accessible for a small fee.

Digital Collection Project Report (Shari Laster)

The OCLC record for the full WRA collection is 793658312. Many of the individual titles are also catalogued.

Denison University and Kenyon College are selecting a collection for digitization. A second site administrator is needed. All training and work may be done remotely – this is a great chance to hone digital collection skills. Contact Ms. Laster for more details at laster@uakron.edu.

OhioLink is prioritizing its initiatives to ensure the sustainability of the consortium. It is not clear how this will affect the DRC.

OhioLink Report (Shari Laster)

OhioLink was not able to obtain the 1940 Census record collection.

The MoU between FDLP libraries and the Ohio Regional Depository storage facility clarifying de-duping procedures and document ownership has been approved by Audry Hall and the GPO. **(Has OhioLink approved this? Is it official now?)**

Ms. Laster said that depository libraries using the storage facility does not require libraries to contribute records. She encouraged all libraries to join, and noted that each individual depository library must enroll separately. For example, law school libraries are not automatically enrolled when their schools' main libraries enroll.

Membership Committee Report (Jeffrey Hartsell-Gundy)

GODORT has identified 112 "persons of interest." (And what an interesting choice of words *that* is).

Fall Meeting attendees discussed the difficulty that many people have in traveling to meetings. It was suggested that:

- GODORT of Ohio hold only one meeting per year;
- Virtual meetings be held using the GPO's iCohere platform.

Further discussion will be part of the Spring Meeting.

New Business: 2013 Spring Meeting

The GODORT of Ohio Spring Meeting will be at the State Library on May 17, 2013.

Adjournment

Sarajeon Petite moved that the meeting be adjourned. Shari Laster seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Ottolenghi
Secretary/Treasurer