



**Government Documents Roundtable of Ohio
Fall Business Meeting Minutes
State Library of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio
November 8, 2013**

(To be presented at the Spring, 2014 meeting)

In attendance:

Connie Burke, Audrey Hall, Beverly Gage, Jeffrey Hartsell-Gundy, Roger Kosson, Kirsten Krumsee, Shari Laster, Jeanne Laugendorfer, Cheryl Lubow, Amy McCoy, Lorna Newman, Carol Ottolenghi, Andrea Peakovic, SaraJean Petite, Mary Prophet, Mary Ann Ries, Akram Sadeghi Pari, Ella Shurr, Carol Singer, Peter Thayer, Linda Warren.

Welcome

State Librarian Beverly Cain welcomed everyone to the State Library, and thanked GODORT members for their dedication and efforts.

Program

President-Elect and Program Chair Shari Laster organized a virtual meeting with Mary Alice Baish, Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office. For the better part of two hours, Ms. Baish discussed “Partnerships, Collaboration, and New Opportunities” with GODORT members and answered questions.

Understandably, the recent budget brouhaha in Washington affected the GPO/FDLP. Ms. Baish began by mentioning her sorrow that the government shutdown had prevented her from attending the September 13 anniversary at the Bierce Library. She described the ways that the 16-day shutdown had challenged the FDLP. Ms. Baish said that several new courses of action have resulted from the lessons learned from the shutdown, including:

- Council and FDLP meetings will be scheduled in the winter and the spring;
- GPO harvesting of agency websites will be expanded;
- PURLs will be re-directed to GPO-harvested content;
- Links to Government Information Online will be expanded.

Ms. Baish briefly discussed the GPO’s branding campaign “Keeping America Informed.” She continued with a look at FY 2014 funding, the FDLP forecast (go to <http://beta.fdlp.gov/search?q=forecast+study&st=&f=2&ordering=0&Itemid=101> for forecast reports), and a look at Ohio GODORT’s responses to the survey. (Ohio’s state–focused depository library action plan is discussed later in these minutes.) Among other things, the forecast survey found that Ohio gov. docs librarians want:

- The opportunity to give feedback on GPO tools;
- Greater granularity when selecting titles;
- Tutorials for users and non-specialists.

(Many thanks to Shari Laster, Cheryl Paine, Peter Thayer, and Audrey Hall for compiling Ohio’s survey results.)

A *tooting-Ohio's-horn* moment came when Ms. Baish noted that she had started her career in New Jersey, which had (and has) a strong GODORT chapter. "I learned from the best that you have to have a strong state government documents presence," she said, and then congratulated the Ohio GODORT chapter on its depth and strength. She also praised Shari Laster's efforts at the national level as the Chair of the Depository Library Council.

To view the PowerPoint slides from the meeting, visit <http://icohere-meeting.net/GPOtrial/EA58D881864D>

Lunch

President Roger Kosson opened the business portion of the fall meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report (Carol Ottolenghi)

Carol Ottolenghi presented the secretary's and treasurer's reports. The secretary's report covered the 2013 Spring Business Meeting. Several minor corrections were suggested to rectify Ms. Ottolenghi's occasional veerings into creative spelling.

The treasurer's report stated that from May 15, to November 1, 2013, GODORT of Ohio's total income was \$365: \$345 in dues, and \$80 from lunch payments. The expenses attributed to this period are \$123.50 for lunch at the spring meeting, \$25.50 for breakfast, and \$50 for GODORT of Ohio's Secretary of State registration renewal. Mary Prophet moved that both reports be accepted after the spelling changes had been made. Mary Ann Ries seconded. The motion passed.

Report from the State Library (Audrey Hall)

Ms. Hall announced that she is 1) getting married, and 2) retiring soon. She introduced Kirstin Krumsee as the expected interim Documents Consultant at the State Library.

In other State Library news, the serial set has been shifted and tattered volumes have been replaced with "healthier" volumes from Cleveland Public's set. The U.S. Senate Library took 1600 of the volumes that were subsequently offered from the State Library's set. Practicum students assisted with many of the processing details.

Ms. Hall noted that, to date, the Statehouse had not responded to offers to display government documents. SaraJean Petite has posted Ms. Hall's display-in-a-bag on the GODORT website.

Report on GODORT Archives (Audrey Hall)

Ms. Hall noted that the archives are up-to-date, and that there have been no requests.

OhioLink / Digital Commons Working Group (Shari Laster)

Shari Laster reported on OhioLink's ongoing decommissioning of individual Digital Resource Commons. Fortunately, the Ohio GODORT content has been moved to the

OhioLINK central DRC site, under “Government Documents.” The persistent URLs have been migrated and the GPO digitization registry entry has been updated.

Ms. Laster notes that this new arrangement is better for GODORT because we are still in control of the content, but the site design and features are handled centrally by OhioLINK. One added benefit is the implementation of IIP, which allows for seamless panning and zooming features when previewing TIFF images.

The group discussed a number of potential, related practicum projects last year but was unable to proceed until the future location had been secured. Our next steps will be:

- Agree on a collection and digitization protocol;
- Cooperate with KSU SLIS to develop a practicum program;
- Explore project-based grant funding.

Ms. Laster encourages GODORT members to contact her to get involved!

Following Ms. Laster’s report, members discussed how to locate Ohio administrative regulations that were in effect prior to the advent of the Ohio Administrative Code. A task force was created to search for pre-OAC regulations and digitize them. Task force members are Kirsten Krumsee, Amy McCoy, Carol Ottolenghi, Akram Sadeghi Pari, and SaraJean Petite. If you have copies of old Ohio regulations, please contact one of the task force members.

Ohio GODORT Website Report (SaraJean Petite)

SaraJean Petite discussed how the new system was working, and that members could sign up for notifications when the site was updated. (Ms. Petite promised no spamming.)

Visit our website and see what’s up! <http://ohiogodort.org/>

ALA GODORT Report (Shari Laster)

Shari Laster reported that:

- ALA has an FDLP Task Force created by the ALA Committee on Legislation. The task force issued a report just before the Annual Conference, and GODORT members are encouraged to review the report and provide feedback to GODORT Steering;
- GODORT members are also encouraged to read the NAPA report on GPO, issued in January 2013;
- Two resolutions were forwarded to ALA COL, one of which passed and is included below. The resolution was adopted by ALA Council. It reads:

ADOPTED, ALA CD# 20.5, Resolution Urging Congress to Designate the Government Printing Office as the Lead Agency to Manage the Lifecycle of Digital United States Government Information, which read: “That the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members:

1. Urges Congress designate the Government Printing Office the lead agency to develop a United States federal government-wide strategy for managing the lifecycle of digital government publications, documents, information, and web sites;

2. Urges Congress authorize the Government Printing Office to develop and administer standards and procedures for the United States federal government which include rules for dismantling sites and archiving web content, including the preservation of all pertinent data protocols, documentation, and software programs for evaluating and manipulating the content for permanent public access;
3. Urges Congress require that the Government Printing Office consult with the United States federal publishing agencies, the National Libraries, and professional library and archiving groups in the development of these standards and procedures;
4. Urges Congress to provide the Government Printing Office sufficient funding to handle the archiving of web content, to perform its duties on an ongoing basis and additional funding as necessary to fully assist agencies when they are forced to decommission a web site.”

Membership Committee Report (Lorna Newman)

Lorna Newman requested that the Secretary send her a copy of the membership roster. Ms. Newman also reported on her speaking engagement at a recent Kentucky GODORT meeting.

New Business

State Action Plan Revisions (Roger Kosson)

Roger Kosson noted that congressional districts have changed, and that the Plan should be revised to reflect that. The original State Plan committee members – Mary Prophet, Carol Singer, Audrey Hall, and Cheryl Paine – will undertake the revisions.

State Action Plan Implementation Team Created

Ohio’s depository library state-focused action plan includes:

- Reviewing and improving their web-presence to better serve users;
- Creating a marketing toolkit;
- Cataloging tangible resources for a strong retrospective collection and future cooperative collection development;
- Exploring database solutions for processing and offers needs;
- Building a sustainable digital collection for Ohio’s interests.

Shari Laster proposed creating a team to implement the State Action Plan. Mary Prophet, Peter Thayer, Shari Laster and Andrea Peakovic volunteered. Shari Laster moved that the Team be formed; SaraJean Petite seconded. The motion passed.

Joint Publication Research Service Project (Mary Prophet)

Mary Prophet reported that many tangible JPRS documents are not available online in the Readex collection. She has been providing the vendor with fiche to digitize, but does not have all needed dates. Lorna Newman said that she was currently weeding her fiche collection, and would forward discarded fiche to Ms. Prophet.

The Spring 2014 GODORT of Ohio Meeting will be Friday, May 16 at the Ohio Attorney General’s Office, State Office Tower, 15th floor, 30 E. Broad St., Columbus.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Ottolenghi
Secretary/Treasurer