

## SCIL Meeting Minutes

**March 5, 2010**  
**Occidental College**  
**Eagle, Rock, CA**

### Attendees:

**In person:** Marsha Schnirring (Occidental College), Coleen Martin (CSU Northridge), Alex Chappell (Claremont Colleges), Gale Burrow (Claremont Colleges), Nancy Getty (Glendale Community College), Susie Chin (Glendale Community College).

**Via teleconference:** April Cunningham (Saddleback College), Gayatri Singh (UC San Diego), Talitha Matlin (UC San Diego), Eric Garcia (CSU Northridge), Robin Lockerby (National University), Allie Carr (CSU San Marcos), Lia Friedman (UC San Diego).

### Agenda:

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Meeting was chaired by Marsha Schnirring.

#### 2. Minutes

Adjustments made to Dec. 2009 meeting minutes. The following librarians were added as attendees to Dec. 2009 meeting: Talitha Matlin (UC San Diego), Judi Windleharth (National University), Pearl Ly (CSU San Marcos). Minutes from the Dec. 2009 meeting at CSU San Marcos have been approved. These minutes have been posted to the SCIL website.

#### 3. Announcements & Updates

Poll taken as to who will be attending the LOEX conference: April Cunningham, Gale Burrow, Alex Chappell.

Poll taken as to who will be attending the CARL conference: Robin Lockesby, Coleen Martin, Eric Garcia, Talitha Matlin.

#### 4. New Business

a). SCIL archives- Marsha presented for Duffy Tweedy. The library at UC San Diego is housing historical library instruction materials for SCIL. The clearinghouse was/is a repository of instructional materials: outlines, lesson plans, handouts, evaluations, promotional materials, video and audiotapes, and all sorts of things. Contributions stopped around the turn of the millennium, but the depository still exists. It fills twelve file boxes. Duffy would like to find an appropriate permanent place for these materials. The material's possible value would be to a researcher looking into the history of library instruction as a goldmine of late twentieth-century primary sources. He's wondering if anyone from SCIL has ideas about permanent placement. The group thought to contact the two library schools in California to see if they are interested in primary source materials for library instruction history. Marsha will ask Duffy if he would like to contact UCLA about its interest. Marsha will contact UCLA about these materials in the event Duffy does not. If UCLA is not interested, the group suggested to contacting SJSU. Debbie Hansen does archival work there. Group members thought it might be good indexing project for an archival student.

b). New CARL-compliant SCIL website – Marsha presented for Tina Breitbach. Tina is asking for feedback concerning the changes to the site. How do SCIL Exec and SCIL Steering want to make the change to this new format? Here are the links to the website pages for review:

<http://www.carl-acrl.org/ig/scil/template12345.html> (main page)

<http://www.carl-acrl.org/ig/scil/about2.html> (about page)

<http://www.carl-acrl.org/ig/scil/eventsandreports.html> (events and reports)

(still working on including events from past years.)

<http://www.carl-acrl.org/ig/scil/minutes2.html> (minutes)

(still linking to past minutes.)

<http://www.carl-acrl.org/ig/scil/officers2.html> (officers)

In working with these pages, Tina really likes the new format; thinks it looks nice and the back end is a lot easier to edit. The only concern is that there isn't any SCIL branding so the SCIL site will look almost identical to all of the other interest group sites. Plus, all of the CARL information remains around the edges. SEAL South and CARLDIG inserted logos on their sites, which helps distinguish them:

<http://www.carl-acrl.org/ig/seals/>

<http://www.carl-acrl.org/ig/carldigs/>

The SCIL current logo/banner won't work, (could crop it and make something square). Although the current colors do work with the CARL website, the group thinks it may be time to update the logo. Allie offered to mock up a new logo and the group asks everyone to consider new logo ideas and provide mock ups or input for a logo.

c). Future SCIL program registration process – The group is considering using CARL's registration systems. The mailing in of checks and registration forms is old school. However, there could be a cost associated with using CARL's system since it involves credit cards. Members thought we might ask CARL if it would absorb the cost. Allie will contact Dominique Turnbow the Southern Interest Group Coordinator and UC Director-at-Large about this. Also, the group is reconsidering the workshop evaluation process. Members are looking for an alternative to the paper process. Going online is an option but this can be problematic because it is after the fact. The group thinks sending an email with a link (for convenience) to the survey could be the way to go. The group has decided to pilot the online evaluation for SCIL Works 2011.

## **5. Continuing Business**

a). SCIL Works Report – Christina Sheldon tabulated and compiled the results. This SCIL Works was very profitable and brought in more than twice the amount of the event's expenses. Thanks to the Chancellor's Office for hosting the event. There was no room fee and there were only food and signage costs. The profit of the workshop goes into CARL's fund. Allie suggested we ask CARL about creating a SCIL scholarship fund for one/two instruction librarians or library school students to attend a CARL conference. The group is considering a \$500 grant or the cost to cover CARL registration for two attendees. This could be win-win since the money funding the scholarship will go back to CARL. Allie will contact Amy Wallace at CARL about this possibility.

The evaluations for the workshop showed high scores for the program theme, room arrangements, schedule and location with 5.88 as the average rating (out of 7). The presentation ratings were 6.1 (out of 7). Overall comments/issues to consider for next time:

- Specific poster session time would allow attendees to better explore posters
- Suggested ideas for future SCIL Works: Connecting/collaborating with faculty; Designing library information competency sessions; Online LI techniques

b). CARL Pre-conference – Allie continues to draft guiding questions to drive the discussion at the CARL Preconference session. Twelve people are registered as of 3/2/10. Conference registration is low. Allie is hoping for a showing of 20 attendees for the preconference session. She anticipates that the evaluations for the conference will be done through Survey Monkey (but not certain).

Marsha would like to see if we could experiment with running a back channel at the next SCIL Works. This limited internal blog is similar to a chat in a web conference. Utilizing this

technology is useful when there is a large group that wants to participate. The group thinks it's a good idea because it would allow people with the opportunity to express their ideas when they otherwise would not be able to. The SCIL preconference session is too small to warrant a back channel. But Marsha will write up a proposal for utilizing this technology for the next SCIL Works.

## 6. Upcoming meetings and programs

a). CARL Pre-Conference Workshop, Thursday, 4/8/10, 1:30-5 p.m. *Disturbing the Sediment: Dusting off the Information Literacy Competency Standards*. Gale wondered if a person could attend this session but not attend the CARL conference. This seems logical since they are separate fees. She will check with Amy Wallace and report back to the group.

b). CARL Conference SCIL Dutch Treat IG luncheon - The group is still looking for someone to be the point person for the Dutch treat lunch at the CARL conference on 4/10/10, 12-2. This is the luncheon for each specific interest group. Marsha will contact Brett to see if he is willing to be the point person. In the meantime, Marsha will contact Dominique Turnbow and confirm SCIL's participation.

c). Next SCIL Business Meeting will be on Friday, May 7 at National University (south of Clairemont Mesa Blvd)

d). SCIL train ride – Attendees of the most recent SCIL Works came up with the idea of a train excursion. They'd like to create a social opportunity with a Summer train trip. People participating could get on the train at different stops – creating a progressive train ride experience. Participants would have lunch in a central location before heading back home the same day. Marsha will put it on the steering list to see if we can work the logistics out. A June or July date is the anticipated timing for the event.

## 7. Round Robin

- Gayatri Singh of UC San Diego reported a protest march concerning the racial climate on her campus in addition to higher student fees. Coleen Martin of CSU Northridge also reported a march concerning budget cuts and its impact on students. Approximately 1,000 or more students participated at each campus. Marsha commented that this financial crisis is an opportunity and can be used as a springboard for promoting information literacy. This has been done in the past with the issue of immigration. Lia said her library currently has race and gender pages addressing these issues.
- Allie Carr of CSU San Marcos attended a Friday Forum led by Joan Kaplowitz at UCLA. It was only \$55 and covered a wide range of topics. There will be instruction forums, as well as other information literacy topic forums. The forum she attended was very applicable and useful.
- Robin Lockesby of National University was to present on a Second Life panel with Esther Grassian on 3/5/01.
- Marsha Schnirring of Occidental College briefly reported about a grant proposal that Occidental College has out to the Mellon Foundation. More details about the College's efforts will be reported at the next business meeting. Also, Occidental has a new president that is moving forward to make the library the intellectual center of the campus. They are in the concept stage of creating an Academic Commons on campus. This could be a four to five year process.
- Nancy Getty of Glendale Community College is working with faculty members through an Information Competency Colloquium (four 2-hour meetings this semester) which is sponsored by research across campus. This creates an opportunity to open up the conversation concerning information competency skills, assignments and infusing information competency skills into assignments. Nine faculty attended last session. They expect 6-7 for the next session. In the past, English department instructors made up the majority of attendees. Now more instructors from

other areas such as the social sciences are participating. Gale suggested she considering talking about this at a future SCIL Works.

- Susie Chin of Glendale Community College launched her first hybrid class. It meets once a week with an optional chat. She is noticing how the medium requires her to rethink the design of the curriculum. There are 20 students and they are using Blackboard.
- Gale Burrow of Claremont Colleges reported about the new café in her library. Due to this, their paper periodicals are now off-site. If there is a print article that a user wants, s/he can order it through interlibrary loan if they don't have it online or go to the off campus site for the print copy.

**8. Meeting adjourned at 12:09 p.m.**

Minutes recorded by Coleen Martin