

SCIL Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2010
Cal State Fullerton

Attendees:

In person: Marsha Schnirring (Occidental College), Coleen Martin (CSU Northridge), Gayatri Singh (UC San Diego), Talitha Matlin (San Diego Zoo), Dominique Turnbow (UC San Diego), Robin Lockerby (National University), Allie Carr (CSU San Marcos), Pearl Ly (CSU San Marcos), Adolfo Prieto (CSU Fullerton), Cynthia Bruns (CSU Fullerton), Stephanie Rosenblatt (CSU Fullerton), Joy Lambert (CSU Fullerton), Steven Deineh (Mira Costa College), Stephanie Brasley (CSU Chancellor's Office), April Cunningham (Saddleback College), Darren Hall (Marymount University), Melanie Sellar (Marymount University), Nancy Getty (Glendale Community College) and Nicole Carpenter (Santa Barbara Business College).

Agenda:

1. Welcome and Introductions

Meeting was chaired by Marsha Schnirring.

2. Minutes

Minutes for the May 2010 meeting at National University were approved.

3. Announcements and Updates

- a). Carl Research Award deadline is approaching Sept. 30
- b). Save the date Jan. 8, 2011 at the ALA Midwinter Conference, ACRL Instruction Section presentation by Dominique and Gayatri.

4. New Business

a). In an effort to develop education and outreach programming through SCIL, Allie brought up the idea of creating a list of instruction librarians "willing to be observed" by library school students. The group would like to target virtual library school programs that do not provide students the opportunity to observe and receive guidance from librarians in the field (unless students participate in internships). We'd like to put the information about SCIL librarians willing to serve in this capacity on the SCIL website. Everyone was asked to let fellow librarian colleagues know about the opportunity to participate with library school students in this manner. Taking it one step further, Marsha, Allie and others thought SCIL may want to develop/offer half day workshops for library school students about what it's like to work in different types of libraries; how to draft CVs, cover letters and prepare for interviews for library instruction positions. Stephanie R. thought we might want to ask CARL if it would be interested in putting an email call out to offer shadowing opportunities for different types of libraries. Shadowing in different libraries could be available during different months. Allie said she'd make sure SCIL's outreach programming in this area would not overlap CARL's upcoming mentoring program.

b). Jeanne Swedo emailed Marsha about creating a collaboration with secondary librarians. The group is open to this idea but would like to know more about the type of collaboration(s) she envisions. Marsha will follow up with Jeanne to get more specifics.

5. Continuing Business

- a). Allie previously investigated options for a SCIL summer social which ultimately did not take place. But the group would like to keep the idea alive for a possible social next summer.
- b). SCILWorks 2011 – Several issues were discussed in planning for the upcoming event.
- i. – date** – The group is strongly leaning toward scheduling the workshop on the Friday of the ALA midwinter conference so ALA attendees will have the opportunity to attend both events. If it is scheduled much later than early Jan., Allie might not be available. But Allie is still open to another date depending upon what location(s) is available.
 - ii – location** – Allie thinks the local city college would be ideal but no contacts there. UCSD might not have the space. National University is a nearby bus ride away. Robin will look into the possibility of National hosting. Also, Steven is looking to see if Mira Costa College may be able to host and Allie will investigate whether CSU San Marcos can host the event.
 - iii – theme** – Allie would like the program to explore the ACRL Info Lit standards. How do we work with other professional organizations to address updating these standards? The group talked about possible sessions that could be presented. Stephanie R. suggested the programming include sessions for those new to the field of librarianship as well as for seasoned librarians. Ideas about possible sessions were brainstormed: Allie thought of including a theoretical session(s) with a professional who teaches within a specific discipline; Dominique suggested a session about collaborating with faculty; Stephanie R. suggested we take it a step further and address assisting students with using the information they find. Standards 4 and 5 aren't really addressed. Marsha thinks we are talking about redefining the standards while we are teaching instead of trying to teach from the prescribed standards. The group thought new standards can emerge from talking and working with faculty. Nancy suggested we are talking about re-envisioning or reinterpreting the standards. Melanie commented how we are accustomed to not doing/saying certain things with faculty in reference with working with the standards. Instructional behavior with the old school standards included: finding, evaluating and citing. The group is talking about taking the standards farther and “disrupting” the standards to address the standards we do not typically address. It was suggested that everyone read the CARL Conference proceedings for ideas on creating sessions around this topic.
 - iv – proposals** – Stephanie R. suggested we open the call up nationally because it coincides with ALA Midwinter. (If we open the call up nationally, the group would like to ensure that local presenters are represented proportionately.) The call for SCILWorks proposals should go out by Oct. 4. Potential presenters will be asked if they are willing to turn their presentation into a Poster Session if not selected for a workshop session. The call will provide the specifications for participating in the Poster Session. If anyone wants to invite a speaker we can do this as a group. Presenters should be notified before Thanksgiving. Volunteers to read SCILWorks proposals include: Marsha, Stephanie B., Pearl, Nancy, Robin and Talitha will serve as a back up reader. Allie will coordinate the reading (but not read or vote on proposals.) Marsha has three matrixes for evaluating the workshops if others would like to reference these. The group would like to see the submissions read as blind submissions.
 - v. – organization of schedule** –To include both new and seasoned librarians in the conversation about the standards (concern was not all new librarians are familiar with standards) there will be a session and/or opening statement by Allie that addresses the current standards. The group also wants to

set aside specific time for Poster presentations. The group would like to see a session for lightening rounds known as Pecha Kucha. The Pecha Kucha session could be scheduled in the middle of the event right before lunch. The event would then end with a final session.

vi – scholarships – CARL will not provide SCIL with money to fund instruction scholarships since CARL's focus is broader than instruction. However, CARL indicated that SCIL could work the cost of the scholarships into the event budget and fund scholarships that way. The scholarships will go toward participation in SCILWorks and the SCIL Spring program. Dominique will go to the CARL board concerning the event "formula" to find out whether it's a requirement for SCIL to utilize (given SCIL's events are profitable). The group would like to fund three scholarships (up to approx. \$500 for all): one for a library school student, a second for an instruction librarian that has been working in instruction for up to three years and third for a seasoned instruction librarian (more than three years in field). Allie and Dominique will lead the scholarship project putting together criteria and call as well as organizing those reading the submissions. Stephanie R. and Talitha will read submissions. Dominique will take the SCIL scholarships program to the CARL executive board for approval.

c). SCIL Elections – As former chair, April will lead upcoming SCIL elections. She will also investigate the protocol for updating the SCIL bylaws concerning the election procedures and place the change request on the ballot if this is the protocol. Those working on the elections committee with April will be Allie, Stephanie R. and Gayatri. The positions up for election are for chair elect, secretary, registrar and treasurer. Talitha will serve as publicist for another year. People can nominate others as well as themselves.

6. Upcoming meetings and programs

a). Next SCIL meetings: Friday, Oct. 29 – CSU Northridge, 10-1 – 2011 meetings will be discussed at this meeting.

Friday, Dec. 3 – Loyola Marymount University, 1-2:30 - meeting will be held following the CARLDIG morning program which and focus on details for the 2011 SCILWorks.

7. Round Robin

a). April (Saddleback College) is working on a chapter for a book and distributed a survey for feedback from those librarians in attendance. She may contact us in the future for follow up.

b). There is an instructional librarian position open at the Claremont Colleges.

c). Marsha (Occidental College) reported on a successful week-long Digital Scholarship Institute with faculty that took place at her college over the summer. Also, the Occidental College Librarian, Marsha, Occidental's organizational and architectural consultants, and colleagues from several other institutions are on the panel at ACRL concerning Occidental building an academic commons.

d). Nicole (Santa Barbara Business College) is new to SCIL and to her position at the business college. She is to create curriculum for library assistants to utilize at five different campuses. She sees SCIL as a resource to support her in this area.

e). Steven (Mira Costa College) is new to SCIL and enthusiastic to participate. He met several SCIL members at the CARL Conference.

- f). Nancy (Glendale Community College), Robin (National University) and two other colleagues were accepted for a panel about collaborating with faculty at the next ACRL Conference.
- g). Robin's university/library (National University) is up for WASC review Part II in Nov. Robin is also involved with using Task Stream an accountability management system in an effort to align the university's mission with the implementation of ACRL standards.
- h). Adolfo (CSU Fullerton) is on the CARLDIG planning committee.
- i). Cindy (CSU Fullerton) joined SCIL because SCILWorks events are always the best.
- j). Coleen (CSU Northridge) reported that Karin Duran of CSU Northridge passed away last June. There is an event to celebrate her life on Sept. 28 at the Oviatt Library. Details and RSVP info can be found at the Oviatt homepage.
- k). Pearl (CSU San Marcos) has applied for an EDD doctoral program.
- l). In working with Info. Lit. for the CSUs, Stephanie B. (Chancellor's office) now has the opportunity to work with a digital learning project (DLO). Funded by a grant, she will focus on DLOs that evaluate and will collaborate with Cal Poly Pomona. She is also co-author of an info lit and public policy article with a librarian at Cal State L.A.
- m). Talitha (San Diego Zoo) is working at the San Diego Zoo and will be developing research workshops for animal experts. She will also be doing outreach with high schools.
- n). Gayatri (UC San Diego) reported on an info lit tutorial that can be used for feedback but not for collectable data by many campuses. The tutorial was originally developed at UC Irvine but other academic libraries are using sections of it that pertain to their users such as the finding and evaluating info sections of the tutorial. Libraries can link to particular sections.
- o). Allie (CSU San Marcos), Stephanie B. (Chancellor's office) and another colleague are writing a paper that will be presented at ACRL. Their research covers the different perspectives of research needs among students, librarians and faculty.
- p). Darren (Marymount College) reported his institution is going from offering a 2-yr degree program to offering 4-yr degree programs. This is impacting the curriculum for library instruction.

8. Meeting adjourned at 1 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Coleen Martin