

# The Council of Connecticut Academic Library Directors 2000/2001 Annual Report

## THE ORGANIZATION

Membership in this organization is open to the directors of all Connecticut academic libraries regardless of the governance, source of funding, or constituency of the higher education institution.

## OFFICERS

Chair: Patricia Daragan, U.S. Coast Guard Academy  
Vice Chair: Donald L. Gilstrap, Norwalk Community College  
Secretary: Susan E. Cirillo, Southern Connecticut State University  
Treasurer: Karen Smiga, University of Bridgeport

## COMMITTEES:

### **Program Committee:**

Charge: To provide the programs for the CCALD meetings minus the fall and spring business meetings.

Membership:

Charles Getchell, Quinnipiac University  
Ron Epp, University of Hartford

### **Executive Board Nominations Committee:**

Charge: The committee will be responsible for identifying the slate for the new executive committee members each spring.

Membership: The committee will be made up of the vice-chair and two other members.

Donald L. Gilstrap, Norwalk Community College  
Deborah Sunday, University of Connecticut  
Loree Bourgoin, Lyme Academy of Arts

### **Consortial Purchasing Committee:**

Charge: This committee will act as a liaison between CCALD and NELINET (or to other consortia or vendors) to provide information and make recommendations to members of CCALD for consortial purchases. This committee will also serve as a lobbyist with NELINET and will seek partnership opportunities beyond the state of Connecticut. Additional responsibility added in May 2001: This committee will also provide oversight of iConn, addressing issues such as helping the membership assess the suite of databases currently chosen by the state and helping the membership develop a process to facilitate the choice of databases in the future.

Membership: The committee will be recruited and headed by the chair and will be made up of no more than 4 persons. The committee will have a mix of public/private, large/small representation.

Patricia Daragan, U.S. Coast Guard Academy  
Ron Epp, University of Hartford  
Phyllis Leonardi, Eastern Connecticut State (for Tina Fu)  
Judith Markiewicz, Tunxis Community College

## **CALENDAR**

Monthly meetings were held on the first Friday of every month (except for January, July, and August) at different campuses throughout the State. These meetings focused on scheduled topics of interest to the members and featured guest speakers and demonstrations. The meetings in November and May featured a business meeting instead a program.

- September: Inn at Chester, Chester  
Dr. Jonas Zdanys, Chief Academic Officer, Department of Higher Education, CT
- October: Quinnipiac University, Hamden  
Marshall Keyes
- November: Albertus Magnus, New Haven  
Business Meeting
- December: U Hartford, Hartford  
Ken Wiggins, State Librarian on "Future Libraries"
- February: Central Connecticut State University  
A special meeting of the membership and other Connecticut Academic library directors to discuss the process for choosing Tier Two (the Academic titles) of the Connecticut Digital Library Project
- March: Western Connecticut State University  
A second special meeting of the membership and other Connecticut Academic library directors to finalize the choice for Tier Two (the Academic titles) of the Connecticut Digital Library Project. At this meeting the directors voted to set aside 15% for smaller databases. Polling for this subset was conducted via the CCALD Listserve.
- April: Teikyo Post University  
Jack Ammerman, Librarian and Director of Educational Technology at Hartford Seminary spoke on "Staffing the Library in an Era of Outsourcing and Privatization"
- May: Connecticut College  
Business Meeting
- June: University of Connecticut  
Mary Lynn Kingston and an update on netLibrary

## **FINANCES**

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$7,937.82 as of 6/1/2001 after expenses for speakers, postage, and annual fees associated with the processing of Connecticut tax-exempt status.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2001-2002**

Officers for 2001-2002 nominated and elected at the May Business meeting are:

Chair: Tracy Ralston, Teikyo Post

Vice Chair: Linda Geffner, St. Joseph

Secretary: : Susan E. Cirillo, Southern Connecticut State University

Treasurer: Karen Smiga, University of Bridgeport

### **Faculty Reciprocal Borrowing**

Sam Brown oversaw the printing of an updated brochure entitled "*CCALD Reciprocal Library Borrowing Agreement for Faculty and Staff, 2000/2001*." Fifty copies were sent to each of the 30 participating CCALD member libraries.

### **Membership List Corrections**

Sam Brown kept the membership list current and informed Terry Ballard of any changes in the list so that the web page could be kept up-to-date

### **Internship Letters to MLS and LTA programs**

Patricia Daragan continued to inform MLS and LTA programs in the area about internship opportunities available at member libraries.

### **WEB site**

Charles Getchell continued to host the CCALD web site at Quinnipiac. His systems librarian and web master, Terry Ballard, continues to keep the site current for the organization.

### **Consortial Purchasing Sub-Committee**

One of the first acts of the new committee under guidance of the exec board was to send out a survey soliciting members for their opinion on what databases are needed most by their libraries. The committee decided not to act as a purchasing agent for vendors because most members use NELINET for that purpose. The committee decided to concentrate on being the communication point between the membership and the state for the Connecticut digital library (iConn).

### **Connecticut Digital Library**

The February and March meetings were devoted to providing advice to the CT Dept of Higher Education as to which databases would be most useful to Connecticut Academic Libraries. Debate was spirited. Tier Two and Tier Three databases were chosen by the membership. The state negotiated with vendors through late spring. As of mid-June the following databases were scheduled to be available in July: ABI Inform Global full text with images, ATLA Religion, CINAHL, PsycINFO, Lexis-Nexis Academic Universe, and Lexis-Nexis Statistical Universe Basic Power Tables.

Submitted by: Patricia A. Daragan

Executive Committee

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