

**Association of College and Research Libraries, New Jersey Chapter
New Jersey Library Association, College and University Libraries Section**

**User Education Committee
Minutes of Meeting on 08/11/05 at Bankier Library,
Brookdale Community College (BCC)**

Attendees (alphabetical listing): Caroline Geck, Ruth Hamann, Annemarie Roscello, Karen Topham

- **Meeting Highlights:** The committee further clarified plans for the upcoming program on October 21st. According to the recently created registration flyer, the title of the program is "Quarantine the Plagiarism Plague: Collaborative Consciousness Raising." Invited speakers are "Vibiana Bowman, editor of *The Plagiarism Plague* with chapter authors, including Fran Kaufmann, Luis Rodriguez, Leslie Murtha, Robert Lackie & Michelle D'Angelo-Long." The speakers will focus on "practical ideas for academic and high school librarians for talking to faculty about preventing plagiarism" and will offer tips and strategies on "how to plan your own 50-minute workshop."
- Committee members agreed that the topic of plagiarism is a relevant topic in today's world, especially considering the recent resignation of Melissa Elias, the Madison Board of Education President, who was accused of plagiarizing a commencement speech given previously at a college ceremony by columnist, Anna Quindlen.
- Ruth stated that the upcoming User Education Symposium is an important professional development opportunity for individuals, who have limited access to out-of-state conferences. Ruth also mentioned that upcoming annual VALE conference is another venue to network with others in the field. Ruth is accepting poster session proposals for the 2006 VALE Conference.
- The committee plans to advertise the fall program in the online NJLA newsletter. Annemarie reminded committee members that if they are a member of a national library association, such as ACRL, they only need to pay \$60 to renew their NJLA membership.
- Caroline inquired if Ruth and Annemarie could present their 2005 LOEX conference presentations again at the 2006 VALE conference for individuals that did not have the opportunity to attend LOEX.
- Annemarie stated that the committee should investigate video gaming in relation to educational software and web-based tutorials and inquired if the User Education Committee would be interested in presenting a poster session at VALE about gaming theory applied to instructional technologies.
- Caroline said that she had the opportunity to hear Helen Barrett discuss the use of digital stories in education at Kean University. Helen Barrett's website is located at <http://www.electronicportfolios.org>. Ruth stated that another interesting digital project is the International Children's Digital Library, <http://www.icdlbooks.org>

- Committee members brainstormed a preliminary schedule of activities for the Quarantining the Plagiarism Plague Symposium:
 - 10:00 a.m.–10:15 a.m. Introduction by the BCC vice president
 - 10:15 a.m.–10:45 a.m. V. Bowman
 - 10:45 a.m.–11:15 a.m. Panel Discussion
 - 11:15 a.m.–11:45 p.m. Question-and-Answer Period
 - 11:45 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Lunch
 - 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. R. Lackie and M. D'Angelo-Long
 - 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Hands-on Workshop (Sarah)
 - 3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Recap and Evaluation Survey

- Karen said she would confirm with potential speakers, arrange lunch, and contact Julie Still about issuing four professional development credits for attending the Quarantining the Plagiarism Plague Symposium. Annemarie stated that she would contact her colleague, Sarah about hosting the afternoon hands-on workshop.

- The next User Education Committee meeting is planned for September 16th at 10 a.m., Bankier Library, Brookdale Community College.

Submitted: 09/15/05 by Caroline Geck