

**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 03/03/06, Friday, at the Bankier Library,
Brookdale Community College (BCC), Lincroft**

Attendees (alphabetical listing): Caroline Geck, Ruth Hamann, Theo Haynes, Leslie Murtha, Ellen Parker, Annemarie Roscello, Karen Topham

- Members decided that at each meeting the group should focus on generating one quality question to ponder; discuss at future meetings; and forward to appropriate blogs, such as <http://njacademiclibrarian.blogspot.com>. Therefore, the minutes will no longer emphasize meeting highlights but will instead showcase an important question relevant to bibliographic instruction. The most important question formulated at today's meeting is:

What are podcastings' potential instructional uses?

- Members brainstormed possible uses of podcasts in library instruction. Many questions were raised in this discussion, though, including:
 1. Which campus groups will best be served by podcasts?
 2. How will podcasts be perceived by Middle States Accreditation (MSA) teams?
 3. How do we know if a podcast already exists? Are there podcast libraries?
 4. Will students be involved in podcast creation?
 5. Will creating a good podcast involve extensive storyboarding and time?
 6. Podcasts are already being integrated into WebCT. Can podcasts be integrated into other digital applications?
- After the meeting, Karen e-mailed the committee an interesting LIRT article with additional podcasting resources. The URL for this article is <http://www3.baylor.edu/LIRT/lirtnews/2005/dec05.pdf>.
- After the meeting, Caroline e-mailed the committee podcasting resources from her NJLA-IT meeting. The URL for these items is <http://njla.org/sections/infotech/links.html>.
- Karen reported ACRL/NJ Chapter Executive Board Meeting news, including feedback about the 2006 VALE Users' Conference and planning surrounding the upcoming 2006 Annual NJLA Conference. The User Education Committee has no programs planned for the 2006 Annual NJLA Conference.
- The new NJ-ACRL User Education top positions were agreed upon and start as of July 2006. Theo will serve as President, Caroline will serve as Vice-President, and Ellen will serve as Secretary.

- Members discussed how future meetings could be run. The question of tape recording future meetings was raised, but not all members were enthusiastic about having all their comments recorded.
- Members discussed the User Education Committee's homepage located at <http://www.njla.org/njacrl/usered>. Annemarie mentioned that she would like to see the resources section updated with materials and web links discussed at User Education Committee meetings and possibly have a section at the bottom of the minutes listing important resources discussed at each meeting. Hopefully these recommendations will start in July with the new User Education Committee position changes.
- The next User Education Committee meeting will be 12 noon, Friday, April 7th, 2006 at the Busch Faculty Dining Club, Busch Campus, Rutgers University.

Submitted: 04/05/06 by Caroline Geck