

**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 12/17/04 at the Banker Library,  
Brookdale Community College**

Attendees (alphabetical listing): Caroline Geck, Mark Graceffo, Ruth Hamann, Theo Haynes, Annemarie Mascarenhas, Ellen Parker, Karen Topham

**Meeting Highlight:** Annemarie baked good and very colorful holiday cookies for this meeting. Annemarie reported that the User Education Committee's proposal for hosting a program about plagiarism at the 2005 NJLA conference has been accepted.

- Annemarie reported NJ ACRL Board discussion updates:
  - A research forum is being planned for the upcoming 2005 NJLA conference focusing on qualitative analysis for librarians. This forum will offer panel discussions with Dan O'Connor and other scholars in the qualitative analysis field.
  - Submissions are still being accepted for the 2005 Research Award. The 2005 award will be presented to the winner, April 13<sup>th</sup>, at the NJLA conference. The final day for submissions is February 4<sup>th</sup>. More information about this award is available at: <http://www.njla.org/njacrl/research.html>
  - The 2004 winners of the NJLA Technology Innovation Awards will be speakers at the 2005 NJLA conference. Plus, submissions are still being accepted for the 2005 Technology Innovation Awards. The 2005 awards will be presented to winners, April 13<sup>th</sup>, at the NJLA conference too. The final day for submissions is January 31<sup>st</sup>. Award nominees will be asked to present their research project and findings, March 10<sup>th</sup>, at Monmouth University. More information about this award is available at: <http://www.njla.org/njacrl/techinnov.html>
- Karen reported that she has not yet received confirmation to use Brookdale Community College facilities for the User Education Committee's summertime programs. However, backup locations include Passaic Community College at their Wanaque location and also Bergen Community College.
- The tentative dates for the 2 day summertime programs are August 11<sup>th</sup> and August 12<sup>th</sup>.
- It was agreed by the committee members attending today's meeting that there was good turnout at the User Education Committee's 2004 summertime program. Approximately 68 librarians and teachers participated in last year's activities.
- Marketing and publicity efforts for advertising the 2005 summertime programs will be aimed for the beginning of April which is well before the elementary and secondary school year ends. Professional development credits will again be awarded to 2005 summertime programs participants.

- The committee members attending today's meeting continued to brainstorm potential themes for the 2005 summertime programs. A theme of avoiding plagiarism across the curriculum was tentatively agreed upon.
- The committee members attending today's meeting also brainstormed about possible keynote program speakers for the 2005 summertime programs, especially individuals who are experts in the plagiarism field or who would be willing to tailor a speech about a plagiarism focused topic. Certain names were immediately eliminated because of pricing concerns.

Caroline mentioned that she had recently attended the 2004 Rutgers SCILS Alumna of the Year Award honoring Kathy Schrock. Kathy Schrock gave 2 separate symposium speeches at her award ceremony entitled, "Planting the Seeds of Change: the New Information Literacy Skills" and "Technology Gadgets." The accompanying symposium descriptions and PowerPoints are accessible from Kathy Schrock's homepage located at <http://kathyschrock.net>. Caroline was very impressed and felt that Kathy Schrock could probably customize a workshop symposium about technology gadgets and plagiarism.

Other speakers considered for the committee's summertime programs include:

- Ian Jukes
- Jamie McKenzie
- Pamela Snelson, currently running for ACRL President
- Donald McCabe

Annemarie will contact the AASL office and inquire how much Jamie McKenzie was paid as a speaker at one of their past events.

- The next NJ ACRL User Education Committee Meeting will be held January 6<sup>th</sup> beginning right after the end of the VALE conference. The next future meeting date will be February 18<sup>th</sup> at Brookdale Community College beginning at 10 a.m. Other dates considered for future meetings include March 11<sup>th</sup> and May 20<sup>th</sup>. Locations have not yet been determined for these last 2 proposed meeting dates.

Submitted: 01/03/05 by Caroline Geck