ACRL/NJLA User Education Committee and VALE Shared Information Literacy Committee October 14, 2011 10:00am-12:00pm UMDNJ Newark and Stratford Via Videoconference

In attendance: Leslin Charles, Bonnie Fong, Ruth Hamann, Lynee Richel, Roberta Tipton, Nancy Weiner (Newark) Claire Clemons, Leslie Murtha (Stratford) Mina Ghajar via conference call.

- 1. Meeting called to order at 10:35am after experiencing technical difficulties. Meeting conducted via conference call with attendees in Stratford.
- 2. Minutes from August 11 meeting approved.
- 3. VALE Liaison Nancy Madasci was unable to attend the meeting.
- 4. VALE SIL Committee Update
 - a. Leslin returned to the discussion of VOILA and it was decided that the content would be removed from the VALE SIL website. Bonnie noted that there are 26 items in VOILA and some are website links and others are PDF documents. Once the items are removed, thank you letters will be sent to those who contributed, indicating that we are moving in a different direction.
 - b. Bonnie Fong and Megan Dempsey will be working on keeping the VALE SIL content up to date on the VALE website.
 - c. The Committee will also need to decide what type of content we want to include on the website. It was suggested that everyone review the VALE SIL website for additional discussion.
- 5. NJLA User Education Committee Update
 - a. Nancy reported that at the last CUS Executive Board meeting she shared information from the Virtual Reference Task Force regarding QandANJ. The service will continue until the end of the year and some libraries have made contributions to help continue the service. The task force is looking at other models and may seek private funding to continue offering the service.
- 6. VALE Conference/NJLA Conference Update
 - a. The deadline for submitting proposals for VALE was October 3. There were nearly thirty proposals submitted and notification of acceptance will go out shortly. Claire noted that she submitted a proposal.
 - b. The location of the NJLA Conference has not been decided yet but the possible dates for the Conference are May 14, 15 16 or May 21, 22, 23 or June 4, 5, 6. Nancy noted that potential conflicts with commencement for the May dates are a possibility and that this would be conveyed to the Conference Planning Committee.
 - c. All committee members were encouraged to submit proposals and to consider topics that would have crossover appeal to public librarians. Ma Lei already submitted a proposal about using the new American Factfinder. Proposals need to be sponsored by a committee, so start thinking about possible topics.
- 7. NJLA User Education Meeting Location

- a. Nancy reported that a location for the November 11 User Education Committee Meeting had not been secured and asked if anyone would be interested in hosting. Leslin offered to reserve rooms at Berkeley College, one at the Middlesex Campus and one at the West Paterson Campus for the meeting. Nancy will send out a meeting reminder with the locations in the next few weeks.
- **8.** Meeting adjourned at 11:35am.

Respectfully submitted by,

Nancy Weiner