**ACRL/NJLA User Education Committee and VALE Shared Information Literacy Committee**

**February 14th, 2014 10:00am-12:00pm**

**Adobe Connect Virtual Meeting**

**In attendance:**  Cara Berg, Leslin Charles (Co-Chair, VALE SIL), Heather Dalal (Co-Chair, ACRL/NJLA User Ed.), Megan Dempsey (Co-Chair VALE SIL), Jaime Donnelly, Eleonora Dubicki, Bonnie Fong, Mina Ghajar, Ma Lei Hsieh (Co-Chair, ACRL/NJLA User Ed.), Michelle Martin (Liaison, VALE Executive C’tee), Leslie Murtha, Amanda Piekart, Lisa Price, and Mike Sagente.

Ma Lei Hsieh chaired this meeting.

1. Welcome and introductions completed. Several members may have been unable to attend because a number of institutions were closed or delayed due to snow.
2. Minutes of the November 8. 2013 meeting were approved.
3. VALE Executive Committee Update – Michelle Martin

Since our last meeting, there have been (2) Exec. Committee meetings.

1. December 12:

* MOU between VALE and NJEdge was voted on and approved.
* VALID update is that Kauli OLE 1.0 was being tested by Grace Agnew, Kurt Wagner and Guy Dobson were working with Vu Find for the merged database, and an RFP was going out shortly.
* Elsevier update – renewals complete, agreements not yet received by members.
* State library update:
* Library Link NJ update

1. January 31:

* New VALE members welcomed: Erin Cartwright, Ocean CC, Scott Muir, Rowan U., Jessica Schmidt, Jersey College, Gary Schmidt, FDU, Carol Van Houten, Hudson CC, Luis Rodriguez, Raritan Valley CC.
* (2) Retirements announced: Andrew Scrimgeour, Drew U. and Anne Ciliberti, Wm. Paterson U.
* VALID retreat planned for 2/14/14.
* Library Link – Makerspace awards were announced (Rutgers and Caldwell College were two of the 15 awarded).
* NEW: Much discussion about the Middle States Commission on Higher Education revised “Characteristics of Excellence” omission of information literacy. Request was made by members to reach out to educational and business communities to advocate for information literacy in the standards. MSCHE Town Hall meetings scheduled for 3/15 (Albany) and 3/27 in Philadelphia.
* Scott Muir introduced as new member of Exec. Comm.. (as representative of Research institute) Paul Glassman stepping down and William “Chick” Chickering, Rider U., serving out the remainder of his term. Also, Andrew
* Tabled discussion from a.m. meeting was addressed, with Mark Thompson expressing the need for additional assessment and pedagogical tools from VALE for community colleges. Michelle Martin offered to help Mark with a focus group or taskforce to research further.

1. VALE SIL Committee Update – Leslin/Megan
   1. Megan and Leslin will attend the upcoming Vale Chairs Meeting at Rutgers on March 6th. At that meeting we will report on the progress of our annual report:
      * Collaborate for a research project across academic institutions to determine student IL skills in NJ. Davida is leading this endeavor and will be discussing it at today’s meeting.
      * Graduate Library Programs and Information Literacy/Teaching. We will report on the collaboration with SCARLA as they gave us input in the Poster Session that was presented at the VALE Users Conference 2014: LIS Students: Step Into the Ring of Academic Librarianship: Becoming the Best Candidate.
      * Professional Development. Have had 3 presentations this year.
      * Information Literacy Progression Standards. We are on hold with this pending the new standards from ACRL.
   2. Coming out of a professional development session we have interest in the Transition from High School to College. A subcommittee has been formed. The members are Marta Deyrup, Beth Bloom, Bobbie Tipton, Theo Haynes, Leslie Murtha, Leslin Charles, Erleen Harris, and Mina Ghajar. Leslin will send out a call to convene the meeting by end of February.
2. NJLA User Education Committee Update: Ma Lei/Heather
3. NJLA accepted 8 proposals from CUS, 2 from UserEd, Wed. 6/4

* Heather Dalal and Sharon Yang, *Where are we now? What types of academic libraries provide virtual reference?* 9-9:50am.
* Amanda Piekart,: *Cultivating Inspiration: Creative Solutions to Empower the future of Our Instruction Librarians*, 11:30-12:20

1. Deadline for poster proposal – Feb. 28 to <http://njlaconference.info/faq-page>

* Any proposals not accepted for breakout can be submitted as posters
* Presenting at Research Forum – Lisa Price & Jenny Pierce; Heather Dalal & Art Taylor (a professor)
* Ma Lei Hsieh sent publication for Research Award
* Technology Innovation Award – Heather Dalal submitted for library promotional videos; nominees will present 3/21 @ Rutgers Scholarly Communication Center; awarded at conference

1. From ACRL meeting:

* ACRL free webinar at Rutgers, still in planning stages
* ACRL/NJ Legislative rep posts monthly blog about ACRL legislative agenda <http://cus.njla.org/legislativeupdates>
* New member of NJLA User Ed Jose D. Romeo of Hudson CC

1. Middle State Characteristics of Excellence – Heather Dalal had sent an email to members about Steven Bell’s post; there were no additional comments
2. Professional Development “Strengthen Communication with Faculty: A Guide for Outreach Librarian” Cara Berg, Felician College
3. Old Business
   1. Report from Graduate Library Programs and Information Literacy/Teaching Sub-committee (Heather/Poster group: Leslin/Jaime/Amanda/Lynee)

* Heather reached out to nearby organizations that might be interested in partnering – no response from Metro BI or ACRL-NY Info Lit; ACRL DelVal responded, has no such committee
* A concern about email problems at Rider was raised, may have caused emails to not deliver to organizations. Cara Berg will resend the email to Metro BI and ACRL-NY Info Lit contacts
* Members agreed the subcommittee’s work should not be postponed waiting for a response and the group should move forward
  1. Special project across college, update (Davida)
* Davida shared the CFP <https://docs.google.com/file/d/0B6Yk6RnlaHWMLURwREx2U0tOYkk/edit>
* We will get “proof of concept” for research project with initial set of student papers. Mina, Cara, and Heather think they can get papers this semester. Heather has Fall 2013 papers. Lisa Price may be able to get graduate student papers, will check with supervisor
* Student permission will need to be obtained and all students must be over age 18
* We’ll plan a summer workshop preferably in June to train readers to use rubric
  1. Google group which would allow task forces to work together easily. Lisa and Heather will investigate the emerging technologies that will facilitate our communication in the committee (update).
* No further update. Members should let Heather or Lisa know if they are not receiving emails
  1. Vale Users Conference (Megan, members)
* No information from survey results available yet
  1. Subcommittee to connect with high school librarians
* Leslin will send out their report

1. New Business
   1. Sharing/Planning for NJLA Conference

* Already discussed during User Ed Committee report
  1. Professional Development for April 2014
* Lisa Price and Jenny Pierce may be able to present on their topic that was submitted for the NJLA Research Forum. Lisa will confirm with Jenny
  1. Summer workshop ideas, date, volunteers?
* Plan workshop to train readers to use IL rubric on student research papers in preparation for cross-institutional research study, late June/early July
* Participants would not need to bring papers, we just need people who are interested in being readers
* Let Chairs know if there are other ideas for summer workshops

1. Next meeting: April 11, 2014 at three Rutgers Locations. Megan Dempsey will send out meeting info.
2. Adjournment