

# Library Management Team

Notes from the July 20, 1999 Meeting

Attending: Ross Atkinson, Tom Hickerson, Janet McCue, Jean Poland, Sarah Thomas, Edward Weissman, Liu Gulin

## 1. Announcements

Sarah introduced Dr. Liu Gulin, Professor of Engineering Physics and Director of the Tsinghua University (Beijing) Library, who is visiting CUL today.

Sarah announced that her annual report to the Provost is due on August 16. She will be soliciting information from LMT and from CUL staff for the report.

Ross reported on the status of ILLiad, the interlibrary loan software the Library intends to license that will provide a single front-end for the interlibrary loan systems we use.

Implementation of ILLiad has been delayed because the ILLiad-RLIN interface was not operational. This interface is now working and we hope to implement ILLiad during the fall semester.

Tom announced that Notis version 6.5 has been installed successfully. This is the last version of Notis we expect to install given the scheduled implementation of the Voyager software in June 2000. Work will continue on WebPac with the goal of improving the Web interface to the Library Catalog and increasing its visibility through the Library Gateway.

Sarah reported that Uris Library's hours of operations will be extended at the start of the fall semester. The Library will be open until 2:00 a.m. Sunday through Thursday nights.

## 2. Tactical Plan

LMT discussed how the CUL Tactical Plan is impacting managers and staff. Ross reported that the functional teams review the plan periodically. Some units have utilized the plan in their own planning but others have not done so effectively. In general, the plan is not highly visible to staff, particularly to non-managerial staff. However, the plan is having some strategic applications in that values emphasized in the plan are being applied by some units to new decisions.

Ed will be asking soon for plan updates through June 30, 1999. This will include actions and accomplishments related to the plan's goals and objectives as well as actions and accomplishments not specifically mentioned in the plan. The latter will provide some perspective on changes in our thinking since the plan was written and can also be used as a basis for working on the next plan. We will publicize the availability of the next tactical plan update by highlighting specific accomplishments.

## 3. Digital Vision

LMT will convene a meeting of academic and exempt staff during the fall which will focus on codifying a vision for digital resources and services in CUL.

## 4. LMS Implementation

LMT discussed the make-up of the LMS Implementation Team. Tom will announce the team members on CU-LIB.

## 5. "Initial Report of the Task Force on Computing and Information Science"

<http://UniversityFaculty.cornell.edu>

Sarah summarized the recommendations of the Task Force on Computing and

Information Science. The Task Force, of which Sarah was a member, was charged by Provost Randel in March with considering a number of questions, including: What known results and projected advances in the computing and information sciences are most likely to affect disciplines across the entire University? What new undergraduate and graduate curricula will be required in order to prepare Cornell's students for the information revolution? What intellectual and technological resources will be necessary in order to ensure that the University continues to lead in bringing about advances in the computing and information sciences? The key recommendation of the Task Force is that the University establish a Faculty of Computing and Information, "a central home for computing and information research and education, spanning the entire campus." LMT discussed some of the implications for the Library. Sarah will appoint a group to review the report and come up with a set of recommendations regarding the role the Library can play in this initiative to advance Cornell's leadership in computing and information science.

Minutes recorded by Edward Weissman.