

Cornell University Library

Library Management Team

Notes from the February 10, 1998 Meeting

Attending: Ross Atkinson, Lee Cartmill, David Corson, Claire Germain, Tom Hickerson, Janet McCue, John Saylor, Sarah Thomas, Ed Weissman

1. Funding Additional Internal grant proposals. We agreed to fund two additional highly rated proposals from the Internal Grant Competition. The first, "User Studies of the Cornell University Library Gateway," submitted by Karen Calhoun and Zsuzsa Koltay, is a focus group study of users of the Library Gateway. The study will focus on producing a "roadmap for future development of the common entryway in the new Library Management System" rather than on "a report card for the Library Gateway." The second, "Library Services for Distance Learning: Economics 101 as a Test Case," submitted by Mary Ochs, will use this summer's Economics 101 course taught by John Abowd to learn about the role the library will play in providing resources and services to distance learning students. Since Mary is transferring to a new position, Tony Cosgrave will become the project director and will serve as a link between the project and the CUL Distance Learning Group on which he serves.

2. Technology Report. Tom reported that the Information Technology Group has started meeting. The ITG, chaired by the AUL for Library Information Technology, brings together the staff of LTD, Mann ITS, the Cornell Institute for Digital Collections, and others in the Library who have "systems" job descriptions. It serves as a vehicle for representation and participation of information technology staff in library-wide planning and policy development. The meetings serve as a forum for sharing information and expertise and supporting the development of common approaches.

Tom also reported that work is underway to make the MOA and Core Historical Literature of Agriculture digital files accessible within the next four-to-six weeks.