

STARS Rethinking Resource Sharing Policies Committee Meeting

Saturday, June 28, 2008

1:30 pm – 3:30pm

ALA Annual Meeting ~ Anaheim, CA

Introductions & Overview were completed. Anne offered to record.

Members posting to STARS-L about experiences utilizing *Manifesto* Facilitator's Guide. No one had anything to report that had been posted to STARS-L. There was a comment that after the we had on Friday Sarah was inspired to talk to some people at home about having things go through ILL more easily and that she would post results to STARS-L

Gina requested input about the *Access* document and forward input to Mark de Jong, STARS Rep to the RUSA Access to Information Committee but none was received. Gina shared a link to the *Manifesto* suggesting it be considered within the *Access* discussions.

Gina forwarded an idea to **STARS Legislation and Licensing Committee** about promoting creative commons and/or providing a guide or checklist to authors to make resource sharing easier in light of copyright limitations. Kay V will look into different sources of info and make a draft and will get back to this committee.

Collect examples a stories for each of the 7 points of the *Manifesto*

Becky Ringwelski was unable to attend ALA but sent an e-mail report that she didn't get a lot of feedback to her call for examples—less than ten. About half of the responses simply indicated they thought they were doing innovative things and pointed Becky to a project website for her to figure out what they're doing. Becky will pull a report together in the next 4-6 weeks.



The Committee discussed the possibility that perhaps we need to give one or more examples of the manifesto in order to get other examples back. People may not think that what they are doing is not that unusual or the example may inspire them to do something. e.g. develop a click and ship instead of Pitney Bowes, use Bookswim and Netflix. We created a **subcommittee to work with Becky to generate examples for the manifesto and use those examples to troll for more examples.** It was suggested that perhaps one manifesto point could be done a month and put out to various listserves- Wendy Dobson and David Atkins will help Becky and Becky (in her absence) was put in charge. Perhaps the first example could go out in August or September. . Listserves to post to include

- Circ+
- RRS-general list
- STARS-L
- ILL list
- Share-L (wiki)

Note. It was suggested that Greencine.com is a good source for foreign films and more obscure titles

Collecting State and Regional Endorsements of the *Manifesto*

- The Idaho Library Association will hold a discussion about the Manifesto at their October 2008 Annual Conference.
- Wisconsin held a discussion about the Manifesto in April?
- Maryland Library Association. Tanner and Wendy co presented in May. They had a good sized group for 2 hr 45 minutes. Tanner did background and Wendy did manifesto with examples. This was a follow up to a presentation at MAIL (Maryland ILL) presented to last year. Good discussion: 7 questions asked. Which were put in groups—trends, barriers, solutions. Asked participants what they will go back and do. MLA promised to talk about affirming the manifesto in July. It is a
 - Maryland-Public library user group; Wendy take *Manifesto* to them in the fall
- Michigan Library Association. Anne gave a keynote and led a break out session to about 65 people. Anne used Tanner and Wendy's 7 questions and they worked extremely well and generated lots of ideas on next steps in Michigan. Anne has talked to the incoming chair of the MLA and the MLA executive director about the steps needed to affirm the *Manifesto*.
 - NOTE:
 - Anne plans to put a note on STARS L and the RRS list serves about the effectiveness of the 7 questions
 - STARS Exec asked that those 7 questions be added to the Facilitators Guide that is on the web.
- **Wisconsin** March-Brenda Bailey-Hainer spoke to WiLS on RRS
- **Missouri Library association:** Stephanie Atkins and Nada will talk about the *Manifesto* in October and report back.
- **Illinois Library association:** Sarah Mahone Chase will
 - approach them and work to get the *Manifesto* affirmed
 - write a Newsletter article go to librarians in *Illinois Libraries*
 - take manifesto to CARLI in July and
 - present to the Consortium of Resource Sharing TF.
- **Rhode Island: Rhode Island:** HELIN Libraries Access Services Committee will be reviewing and revising their ILL policies in order to regain consistency. Brian Gallagher will approach them and HELIN about the *Manifesto*.
- **Georgia:** Margaret Ellingson indicated at the STARS Exec meeting that she would work with the state of Georgia on affirming the *Manifesto*
- **Delaware.** Tanner is working with someone in Delaware to affirm the *Manifesto*.
- NOTE: At the STARS Exec meeting someone asked if it would be appropriate for organizations like the U of California, California Digital Library and the

Medical Library Association to affirm the Manifesto. It was generally agreed YES. Further, that everyone who needs to be involved to make resource sharing work should affirm the Manifesto.



Letter to ALA Chapters requesting endorsement of the *Manifesto*

Nada has drafted 2 letters and she wants to send the draft letters to the Policies committee for feedback in July. We decided that a letter could be appropriate for **ALA Chapters**, state library associations and state librarians. Our message is

1. Encourage the libraries in the state to follow the steps in the manifesto
2. Ask the state to endorse the Manifesto
3. Offer to do a presentation about the Manifesto to state library meetings.

We commented that state associations vary and the group that does ILL will also vary by state, e.g. in some states the ILL will be done in the consortiums. Talked about how we could best get the message out to get people to talk about the impact of changing their policies. Promoting the *Manifesto* and having programming is a good idea. We wondered if the same letter should go to ALA chapters, state library associations. State librarians or if the format should vary.

Refer request to appropriate group to talk about manifesto and possibly endorse it.

All committee members were asked to find out how the ALA chapter in their state works and how communicating about RRS with the ALA chapter work best. David Atkins indicated the Tenn. library association doesn't have an ILL group; however TENSARE does work with ILL and has 600 member institutions. David will explore the best way to approach Tennessee folk. Missouri has the Missouri library association and MOBIS. We may need to use different approach in different states. We don't want to limit to ILL—there's circulation. We need to figure out a way to get people in other states to join.

We discussed the possibility of sending an e-mail to listserves (STARSL,RRS and ILL) and ask where does most of the ILL activity take place in your state-what brings people together? What is the group that gets together and talk. Identify the place to begin to talk about the *manifesto* in each state. It was commented that it is important who the request to an association comes from; it's much stronger if it comes from a member who says that they think we ought to talk about this.

Post the letter on the HELIN listserve??—get academic and public libraries. Bryan Gallagher.



Pull together talking points from existing research in support of the RRS initiative.

Beth Posner not at meeting to report.

In light of the committee charge, what could the RRS Policies Committee take on to meet the charge?

- Look at policies and their impact. Impact might show by doing individual points. Library A used to do x and now does –this same process y way.
- Help people start a discussion—emphasis local resources rather than traditional ILL; see the benefits of what we are doing
- Change overdue fines—put in resources sharing environment. More consistent regional policies for fines Look beyond library look at region, uniform charge, Advantages and benefits of consistency. Same policies across the consortium Due dates. Talk about how to get book back rather than debate the amount of the fine. Big charge and suddenly people find the book. One group did benchmark with peer institutions to get rid of overdue fines. What protect collection but not make it so complicated. Shorten the billing period and give more grace period.
- It seems unlikely that we could get a grant for travel funds to send Wendy to talk to everyone.?
- Perhaps discussing the polices for loaning medias/DVD would generate a fruitful discussion.

To Do

All will learn more about ALA chapter in their state and how it works

Brian Gallagher will approach the Access Services Internet group and HELEN about the Manifesto

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