Council of Library Department Heads
Minutes - April 3, 2000

Present: Michael Binder, Linda Allan, Elaine Moore, Haiwang Yuan, Connie Mills and Brian Coutts.

Minutes: of the last meeting, March 27, 2000 were not available.

Dean's Report: Michael reported on his meeting with Dr. Burch on March 30. He and Haiwang discussed the new TIP (Topper InfoPortal) still in progress. The Vice President was impressed and delighted with this new information gateway. Following this meeting Elaine and Jack Montgomery joined the Dean in discussing the merits of JSTOR with Dr. Burch. Following the discussion the Vice President commented that this was a product we needed to subscribe to.

Elaine noted that the recurring cost for JSTOR would be $7000. This was made up of $4,000 for the original periodicals covered plus $3,000 for coverage of new general science titles. The one-time initiation fees are $25,000 for the original periodicals plus $3,750 for the science titles.

DLSC Report: Connie noted that more 600 people attended the very successful opening of the Joe Downing Exhibit. 28 pieces have already been sold. Partial funding of $15,000 was received from South Central Bank. One of the special events involved a lunch with Joe for the winners of the Capitol Arts Scholastic Art Show.

DLPS Report: 1.) Brian distributed the May interim and Summer schedules. The Dean has secured funding to open the library for nine evenings during the May interim (for the very first time) and to open the Glasgow Campus Library for half-days in May (also for the first time).

Negotiations are continuing with SGA to provide extended hours during exam week.

Brian also reported on the current status of the Sara E. Tyler Merit Award Account at the College Heights Foundations. It was recommended that the Dean contact Alex Downing to suggest a revised Selection Committee for the award. Approximately $750 is available this year.

Finally, Brian reported that Evelyn Thurman received the Woman of Distinction Award in the College Educator Category and Margie Helm was honored in the posthumous category at an awards ceremony on March 23.

Electronic Information: Elaine reported that the SIRS Government Reporter has been added to the Libraries' Internet network. It includes full-text version of selected government documents along with information from government almanacs.
Linda raised the question of access to EBSCO passwords. Elaine advised that these are available from the reference desk (6125).

**Web and Virtual Library Report:** Haiwang reported completion of the SOKY Book Festival web page, the launch of a special page for National Library Week and work with Riley Handy and Connie Mills on a new web page for the Robert Penn Warren Symposium.

Following adjournment the Department Heads met to select the winner of the 1999 Faculty Library Award.

For the Council,

Brian E. Coutts