Present: Dr. Binder, Nancy Baird, Earlene Chelf, Brian Coutts, Connie Foster, Haiwang Yuan.

The minutes of February 17 were approved.

Dean's Announcement: Dr. Binder has appointed a task force on reaffirming faculty status. This committee, composed of Peggy Wright, Rose Davis and Nancy Baird (Chair) will look at the librarians' status, especially as to how it does/do not coincide with that of the rest of the faculty. Dr. Binder looks forward to reviewing the committee's findings and suggestions.

Dr. Binder expects to hear within the next week or so, news and decisions about lapsed salaries, budget cuts, equipment requests, search committee results, etc.

DLPS Report: The shelving for Periodicals and Cravens 8th floor has arrived. Special monies from the Helm family enabled this purchase. The estimate on wiring the carrels for computers is $4,800 and Brian has submitted a request for money from the university's "classroom improvement" fund.

Peggy Wright is working on a script for an audio tour of the library; Barb Deeb will narrate it.

Action agenda funds have been requested to launch a virtual reference program. DLPS hopes to try it out during National Library Week and offer it as a regular feature by fall semester. Robert Harbinson will operate it, with Lambrini Papangelis serving as a backup. The service will be provided in the evenings.

Thursday evening's "Far Away Places" will feature Belgium & the Netherlands with William Parsons (Economics & Marketing Department). The next "Kentucky Live!" program features Joe Millichap (English Department), who will speak on Railroads on Southern Culture.

DLTS Report: Connie announced that DLTS has begun the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) process for serials invoicing through EBSCO and Voyager. Nelda Sims receives files via FTP and EBSCO and forwards them to JoAnn Mitchell, who connects to the EDI profile in the Voyager Acquisitions module. Although there are a few questions still pending, DLTS is extremely pleased to be able to adopt this process for approving invoices. This does not replace the paper invoice/payment but it will expedite financial data entry. JoAnn recently finished posting the 2003 invoice so serials funds reflect major expenditures.

Nelda has received Certification 400 status with Endeavor for training classes she has taken prior to the annual end users' meeting. This accomplishment builds on her previous Certificate 300 class. These certifications increase her knowledge of the system; that benefits everyone.
The Education Catalog Librarian search is in its first stage with advertisements being placed now. The committee consists of Nelda (Chair), Shiu Yue Mak, Ann Brown and Nancy Steen. The search has an April 15 review date.

Kathryn (Katy) Roe will start on May 5 as Social Sciences Catalog Librarian.

Nelda and David Runner continue to configure and revise e-journal pages for EZproxy. Without undue interruptions, these pages should be available within a few weeks. The database page is ready. Nelda is also analyzing implications for the library for a University committee that is charged with finding alternatives to using social security numbers for identification.

**DLSC Report:** Thirty-three attended the Kentucky Library and Museum's Women's History program Sunday afternoon. Margaret Ripley Wolfe, history professor and senior research fellow at East Tennessee State University, was the guest speaker.

On March 16, the Kentucky Library and Museum will host one-person play about the "Veep," Alben Barkley, portrayed by living history presenter Donald Johnson.

Artist-in-residence Lynn Ferguson conducted several very successful art workshops and has many others scheduled; Laura Harper Lee and Nancy Baird taught a Saturday morning workshop, "Quilt Cover the Curriculum" for twelve teachers.

The Kentucky Library and Museum requested and received Action Agenda monies to fund the creation of four 'package programs" for area schools and have applied for funds for an opaque reader and a map case.

**Marketing Report:** Earlene announced the March 15 opening of "Young at Heart," an exhibit of original art work (from the Campbell and Grider Collections) used in children's books. Sponsored by Integra Bank and the Dorothy Grider Endowmen, the opening reception will coincide with the "Author's Reception" during the Book Festival. Bookmarks for the reception will be ready this week.

Performances in Java City are scheduled for March 17 & 19.

C-Span 2-Book TV will film some of the Saturday, April 12 Book Festival presentations. The C-Span School Bus will also be present.

**Web & Virtual Library Report:** Haiwang and the Web Site Team are updating pages of Kentucky Information in Cyberspace. The online pages for the book festival are completed. The team is in the process of updating TIP, making it more user friendly.

The meeting adjourned about 11:30. For the council,

Nancy Baird