Council of Library Department Heads
Minutes - February 5, 2001

Present: Michael Binder, Riley Handy, Earlene Chelf, Linda Allan, Elaine Moore, Haiwang Yuan, and Brian Coutts.

Minutes: Minutes for January 29, 2001 were approved.

DLATS Report: Linda distributed TOPCAT statistics for January as summarized below:

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Linda gave us an update on the health of Chris Groves, recently injured in a caving accident.

DLSC Report: Riley reported that new doors had been successfully installed in the Kentucky Building.

New computers have also been installed including 1 for staff and 3 for the public. One of these has been installed at the reference desk in the Kentucky Library.

DLPS Report: Brian distributed a report comparing our fines/overdues with some of our benchmarks. The report was researched by Gary Whittle.

Marketing and Special Events Report: Earlene reported that she had sent out a campus e-mail about the next BellSouth workshop.

The Used Book Sale sponsored by Famous Barr will be held February 16, 17 & 18 at the old Fred's Department Store location on Nashville Road. Hours of the sale will be:

- February 16 (Friday) 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- February 17 (Saturday) 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- February 18 (Sunday) 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Volunteers are still needed to help with loading of books and other tasks.

138 authors have now committed to attend the Festival of Books.
Electronic Information: Pending appeal to the Supreme Court on the Tasini vs NY Times case one of our online newspaper vendors NewsBank has decided to pull all content and indexing from their electronic files for the Louisville Courier Journal prior to January, 1999.

Web and Virtual Library Report: Haiwang reported that he has been busy adding author biographies to the Book Festival Web Site.

A major project he will be coordinating will be to update pages on the UL Web Site.

New members of the Web Site team include:

- Sean Kinder from DLPS
- Lynn Niedermeier from DLSC

Haiwang will also be working with Professor David Keeling to scan slides for the next Far Away Places Workshop on Brazil.

Opportunity for Funding Proposals: Michael distributed the first five proposals developed by DLPS faculty. Subjects include requests to fund:

- JSTOR
- a Proxy Server
- Global Business electronic resources
- a new video series
- a CD to be distributed to students WKU is recruiting

Other agenda items: Discussion on "Serials Funding Crisis" and "Year End Budget Closing" were deferred until the next meeting.

For the Council,

Brian E. Coutts