STEERING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting: January 3, 2007


Minutes approved. Send further corrections to Canlas.

WOC blog proposal
While demonstrating blog mechanism, Wallis assured Committee that single blog for library news will allow for site autonomy and customization. Front-page stories can be tagged, as well as site-specific stories, to determine posting location. Jacobson will be editing all front-page material. Kayiwa briefly explained the capability of RSS feeds to notify subscribers of blog updates. Wallis added that blog offers levels of authorization in terms of publishing ability and warned against adding new categories to the lengthy current list. Committee presented no objections to proposal.

LHS Active Directory Pilot report
Kayiwa explained to Committee the mechanism of Active Directory, which allows for a group of networked computers to share one authority machine as their gatekeeper. Among other features, this allows the systems administrator remote access and requires user login. Referring to a report prepared by Kimberly Pendell, Dorsch summarized the pilot run of this system at LHS-Chicago and said that most staff and users seemed pleased, but no data reporting its effect on improving service for primary users. PSAC recommends that LHS-C continues with system but remained split on recommendation for Daley. After lengthy discussion on public access, responsibilities of a state-funded academic institution, user satisfaction and privacy, facilities maintenance and methods of deployment and publicity, Committee recommended Daley Department Heads consider implementing pilot, then report back to Steering.

Library Policy Task Force final report
Guss summarized minor changes to document, and Committee recommended slight modifications. Committee approved document and concluded that policies should be prominently posted in select locations within library facilities.