

## **DIAL-South**

# **Minutes**

### **Business Meeting at USC Friday, February 16, 2007**

Attendees: Marjorie Acevedo, MSMC; Shahla Bahavar, USC; Angela Boyd, UCSB; Annie Knight, SJSU-MLIS graduate student; Sophie Lesinska, USC; Susan Luevano, CSULB; Valeria E. Molteni, CSUDH; Felicia Palsson, USC; Judith Samuel, Cal Lutheran; Eduardo Tinoco, USC; Chimene Tucker, UCSB; Sue Tyson, USC

#### **1. Introductions:**

We opened the meeting with round-robin introductions and were pleased to welcome three new faces in at the meeting, Felicia Palsson and Sue Tyson new reference librarians from USC, and Eduardo Tinoco, business librarian from USC.

#### **2. Announcements:**

Marjorie spoke about the upcoming book-signing event at her library that will coincide with Black History Month. The author is Frankie Lennon an African-American faculty member. The book discusses her personal memoirs about her sexual identity and life titled, "*The Mee Street Chronicles: Straight Up Stories of a Black Woman's Life*".

Annie Knight spoke about the future "Resume building workshop" at SJSU hosted by LISSTEN- more information to follow. Sophie suggested that DIAL members try to attend this event.

Judith Samuel spoke about her successful book signing with author Nancy Rawles. The event was hosted at Cal Lutheran University. Judith also spoke about her upcoming presentation at ACRL title, "*Collaborating with Faculty for Program Review: An Innovative Partnership.*"

Sophie spoke about the extra diversity efforts moving forward at USC to provide more outreach to the academic community and the public with the full

support of the USC provost.

Susan Luevano from Cal State Long Beach spoke about her most recent accomplishment, co-writing a chapter in a book titled, "*Information literacy with Chicano & Latino Studies faculty*." She will email the group with the citation information. She also spoke about Cal State Long Beach being designated as a "Hispanic Serving Institution", HSI just this year.

Valeria spoke about recent construction developments regarding the new "Multicultural reading room" to be built at Cal State Dominguez Hills in the next few years. She also discussed about her upcoming presence at LOEX in May 2007. She will be attending the LOEX conference with other fellow DIAL members to form a discussion group about librarians and students of color.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: *Pending*

4. Program planning:

Valeria discussed how Panel One & Panel Two are going to be conducted. She spoke about the panelists' background and the motivation behind the selected panelists. She stressed the importance of the program being an informal way to give opportunities to the attendees and the presenter's time to share their various paths to academic librarianship and chat about their experiences.

Simple poster boards will be used to showcase the panelists' personal, academic and professional background. The panelists will have the freedom to display their board presentation in any format they desire. The goal is to provide a great opportunity to involve potential membership and generate interest amongst other librarians/students of color.

The proposed logistics are as follows:

**May 18th, 2007. 9am-1:30 p.m.**

**University of Southern California Campus Library**

**9:00-9:30am    Registration, continental breakfast**

**9:30-10:00am   Program Opening.**

Report on the Preliminary Finding of the Diversity Recruitment Summit at UCLA  
<http://isdiversity.gseis.ucla.edu/summit06/> Presenters: Norma Corral UCLA, and Silvia Calzada (Cal State Northridge)

**10:15-11:30 Panel Presentation: Administrators**

Panelists: Alice Kawakami (Dean of Libraries CSULA) Ron Rodriguez (former President of Reforma and former President of CARL), John Ayala(former President of Reforma and former Dean of the Library, CSU Fullerton, Marla Peppers (Head, Library Information Services, Occidental College)

**-BREAK-**

**12:00-1:00 Poster presentations and networking: Early career librarians share their experiences with attendees.**

Confirmed presenters: Alanna Aiko Moore (UCSD), Valeria Molteni (CSUDH), Chimene Tucker (UCSB), Melanie Chu (Cal State San Marcos), Marjorie Acevedo (Mount Saint Mary's College), Angela Boyd (UCSB)

**1-1:30pm Closing discussion and wrap-up.** Panelists and Poster session presenters answer questions.

**Registration:** CARL-members \$5.00, Non-members \$10.00, Students no fee

- Registration form to be done by Marjorie.(Three announcements will be sent out.) “Save the date” in March, Register in April and final announcement in May.
- Annie Knight/Melanie Chu will do the flyer/handout.

The DIAL committee agreed on the title of the May program,  
*“Joining voices, Sharing Visions: Diversity in Academic Librarianship”.*

5. New Business:

We discussed the possibility of a new DIAL officer position and revisiting the scope and mission of DIAL. The re-examination of the bylaws and the mission statement will be discussed at the upcoming meeting.

6. Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 23, 2007 at USC.

*Submitted by Marjorie Acevedo, DIAL-South Registrar, 2006-2007.*