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### LACUNY Interlibrary Loan Roundtable Meeting Minutes, April 2003

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The Spring 2003 meeting of the ILL roundtable was held on April 8 in the Baruch College Library Conference Room

Present: Nancy Egan (JJ), Jeff Gima (SI), Joan Grassano (NY), Rhonda Johnson (HO), Gene Laper (LE) Clementine Lewis (LG), Eric Neubacher (BB), Beth Posner (GC), Evelyn Silverman (QC), Rick Uttich (CC), Amy Wolfe (CC).

The meeting began with introductions. There were 2 new ILL librarians present. Amy Wolfe is the new chief of access services at CC and will be serving as the interim ILL librarian. Joan Grassano is also serving as an interim ILL librarian at NY.

The minutes of the Fall 2002 meeting were approved.

Evelyn asked about setting up a mailing list for ILL librarians. There was a general discussion about the benefits of a listserv for CUNY ILL librarians as opposed to just a mailing list and it was decided that a listserv would be preferable. Clementine said she would inquire at CUNY's central office about setting it up.

The interlibrary borrowing module of Aleph was discussed again at length. Evelyn said that her chief had asked her to ask the group what the general feeling was about the feasibility of the interlibrary borrowing service. After a discussion, it was generally agreed that while the implementation of the interlibrary borrowing function would no doubt be further delayed because of the existing problems in Aleph, it should be a priority when current problems are worked out.

Jeff said that while CUNY central is concerned with making sure the system is not implemented until there is a reliable and fast delivery system, quick delivery of the books is desirable but not absolutely necessary. In fact, he used a delivery system in Illinois and said that the delivery time was not that speedy but that the service was invaluable regardless.

It was suggested that a task force be formed among ILL librarians to address concerns about interlibrary borrowing but Rick pointed out that as the function will most likely fall under the circ. Librarians' responsibilities, the task force be formed among them. Because Evelyn wants to report to her chief, it was suggested that any comments or thoughts on the matter be emailed to her ([esilverman@gcl.gc.edu](mailto:esilverman@gcl.gc.edu))

There was some discussion about copyright implications with respect to lending electronic articles. Rick referred to the Fall/02 minutes and said that these comments were still generally applicable: "Susan Vaughn said that most licensing agreements usually allow for downloading and then mailing or faxing articles for interlibrary loan purposes. However, they do not allow for articles to be sent electronically directly from the database. It was generally agreed that this was a good rule of thumb but that individual licenses should be looked at." He pointed out again that each individual licensing agreement should be looked at by somebody in each library as these can often vary from library to library. He further suggested that one person in each library should be responsible for keeping a folder for all the licensing agreements and referring

to them for copyright. He recommended a useful site:  
<http://www.library.yale.edu/~llicense/index.shtml>

Rhonda mentioned that she was new to ILL and asked for any suggestions on where to find workshops, info. etc. A discussion followed and several suggestions (Metro, Nylink, colleagues) were made.

There was some discussion as to when Passport for ILL will no longer be made available. Rick thought that it would probably be gone by next year.

Jeff suggested we ask cuny central to use the British Library document delivery service as one of our accounts. It was agreed that we would ask.

Nancy asked which libraries were using Ariel. The majority are using the service. There was some discussion about the software. It was then mentioned that Metro was giving grants to libraries to upgrade their technology for use in ILL services ( the grants can be used to purchase software like Ariel or hardware like printers or scanners. ) The deadline for the Metro grants has been extended to April 30 and info. can be found on metro's homepage.

Jeff asked if anyone had a list of free lenders that were outside the consortiums (like LVIS) and Beth said she had a custom holdings list she could share with him.

There was some talk about document delivery costs and Evelyn asked if there was any way cuny central could get spending figures to us quicker (because most of us are not keeping track of spending manually). The problem, however, appears to be with the document delivery services not billing cuny central in a timely manner.