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The Fall/2003 meeting of the ILL roundtable committee was held on Oct. 27 in the Baruch College Library Conference Room. In attendance were Sheila Beck (QCC), Nancy Egan (JJ), Gene Laper (LE), Anne Leonard (NY), Clementine Lewis (LG), Eric Neubacher (BB), Beth Posner (GC), Walter Scott (BMCC), Evelyn Silverman (QC), Raymond Wang (CSI)

The meeting opened up with introductions.

The Spring 2003 minutes were approved.

There was some discussion about ARIEL and a list of those libraries that had the software was compiled—BB, JJ, SI, LE, LG, BK, CC, QC (receive only—but they have since been updated to send as well), and GC.

C. Lewis asked if any librarians with knowledge of particular softwares (like ARIEL) would be interested in helping any librarians who were new or new to the programs. There was general consensus that new ILL librarians should feel free to contact anyone on the roundtable.

R. Wang discussed the latest NYLINK conference. He said that OCLC announced that it would “sunset” or phase-out ILL web and microenhancer by 2004. Apparently the web version had been too slow and there were many complaints about it.

The topic of the ILL module in ALEPH came up. This module will not will not be looked at until after intercounty borrowing is sorted out and there is no date set for that.

B. Posner brought up a discussion of LAND (Libraries and Nylink Deliver)—an alternate delivery system to METRO. So far, there are about 30 members. Clementine said that she will ask Susan Vaughn to ask CUNY central if they would be interested in the service if a group rate is available.

There was some discussion about film consortiums among the CUNY campuses. Some schools still have separate film/media departments and faculty wishing to borrow must go through those departments. However, some schools do not and the libraries (like Queensboro) must handle these transactions via ILL. This causes problems because there is no consistency among the other CUNY schools—some libraries catalog their media materials, others don't; some media departments are in the library, others are not. E. Neubacher suggested that librarians start lobbying to have the media departments fall under the auspices of the libraries, but this met with some negative responses.

C. Lewis said that she had been approached by a commercial entity to subscribe to the CUNY-ILL Listserv and asked the group if this should be allowed. It was decided to maintain a CUNY only membership on the list.

E. Silverman inquired about what other libraries do in terms of checking out ILL books to student patrons. There are different methods used among the libraries.

C. Lewis asked if anyone felt there should be more than one ILL roundtable meeting a semester, but it was generally agreed that only one was necessary.