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### LACUNY Reference Roundtable Meeting Minutes, February 2005

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**Reference Roundtable of LACUNY  
Minutes for the meeting 2/18/2005**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Paul Abruzzo (LaGuardia), Lisa Ellis (Baruch), Joan Grassano (City Tech), Sandra Marcus (Queensborough Community), Mark Padnos (Bronx Community), Alexandra Rojas (LaGuardia), Manuel Sanudo (Queens), Kenneth Schlesinger (LaGuardia), Polly Thistlethwaite (Grad. Ctr.)

In his role as President of LACUNY, K. Schlesinger expressed his enthusiasm for the formation of the Roundtable as an important addition to LACUNY.

Attendees introduced themselves and described their respective roles in their libraries.

P. Abruzzo described the origin of his calling for the formation of the Roundtable.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mission Statement was reviewed and discussed, amended and approved as follows:

LACUNY's Reference Roundtable meets each semester to share and develop ideas to facilitate improved reference services in CUNY libraries.

This is accomplished though:

- Member presentations on service innovations, challenges, and best practices
- Sharing of relevant literature on reference services
- Creation and distribution of relevant documents and policy statements
- Guest presentations
- Discussion of management issues related to reference services

Membership is open to all CUNY library faculty involved in reference services.

**CO-CHAIR ELECTIONS**

P. Abruzzo and L. Klusek (Baruch and in absentia) were elected to serve.

**DISCUSSION**

A lively discussion ensued on ways each member's library facilitates communication between librarians who perform reference service, centering around the usefulness of three technologies: RSS, Wikis, and Blogs.

**WORKSHOP**

It was agreed the Roundtable would sponsor a workshop on the three technologies under discussion. Specialists would be invited to instruct on the use of each tool. It was decided Friday, April 8, 2005 was the best date, from 10-12 a.m. at Baruch. L. Ellis agreed to give a tour of The Newman Library for members of the Roundtable beginning at 9 a.m.

**CLOSING**

It was resolved that the Roundtable would meet at least once a semester, and that the location would rotate libraries so that we all may learn about other libraries in CUNY.

Respectfully submitted,  
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