

2010 CEAL Membership Committee Program
Talking With Experienced Librarians Roundtables minutes

Date: Wednesday, March 24

Location: Marriot Downtown in Philadelphia, Grand Ballroom Salon B

Committee members: Jade Atwill (chair, absent), Donghee Sinn (absent), Robert Britt, Hikaru Nakano, Yunshan Ye

Present: Macy Zheng (McGill Univ.), Julie Wang (SUNY, Binghamton), Tong Wang (CIBTC), Kenneth Tanak (Univ. of Maryland), Yunshan Ye (member, Dickinson Coll.), Hikaru Nakano (member, Univ. of FL), Hiro Inokuchi (SUNY, Buffalo), Sharon Domier (Univ. of Mass. Amherst), Rob Britt (member, Univ. of Washington), David Hickey (Univ. of FL), Gail King (Brigham Young Univ.), Vickie Doll (SP Guest, Univ. of KS), Shan Shan (CIBTC), Cui Lei (CIBTC), Kazuyo Good (Univ. of Pittsburgh), Hiro Good (SP Guest, Univ. of Pittsburgh), Kazuko Hioki (Univ. of KY), Honshuku Mariko (Harvard Law), Xi Chen (Oberlin Coll.), Lucy Gan (Univ. of Tronto), Mei Wang (Univ. of MI) Tang Li (Yale Univ.), Tao Yang (SP Guest, Rutgers Univ.)

Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m. by member, Hikaru Nakano with the statement of change of discussion style from three tables with each topic to one joined session with all three topics. Followed by Yunshan's moderating of the each discussed topics thereafter.

Discussed topics:

1) CEAL statistics: Vickie Fu Doll, Chair of the CEAL Statistics Committee, discussed the history of CEAL statistics and its importance of our collaborative work within East Asian librarians' partnerships. Below is the summary from March, 2008 issue of The Best of The Asian Studies WWW Monitor. (http://asia-www-monitor.blogspot.com/2008_03_01_archive.html)

History: CEAL Statistics is an annual publication of statistical data of East Asian libraries and museum collections (volumes held, volumes added gross, current serials, other materials, electronic resources), expenditures (expenditures and grant support), staffing, and services in North America. CEAL annual statistics have been collected and published annually in Journal of East Asian Libraries (JEAL) since late 1980s. The online statistics database covers CEAL statistics from 1999 to present with a parallel hard copy publication of CEAL statistics in the February issue of JEAL, the CEAL official publication. Pre 1999 statistics data was added in 2007.

Features: Quick Views, Simple Search, Advance Search in Table and Graph displays, PDF, Log-in Views (collection ranking and peer comparison) have been added for easy access. Collection data can be subdivided by region and funding type. CEAL collection grand total can be viewed from 1957 to current in addition to collection median and average data. CEAL statistics focus on East Asian collections and especially Chinese, Japanese, and Korean languages resources, staffing, and service to support East Asian studies in North America. The database is searchable, with results viewable and printable in table (numbers) and graph formats. Member libraries (with password access) can view library rankings in categories of collection size, expenditures, and grant funding with filters of library type (public or private), and/or geographical region, etc. The database is also a directory of East Asian collections contact information, URLs of online catalogs, library system utilities, and more. The data series is the most comprehensive continuing library statistical dataset among area studies collections in North America. Statistical data published in PDF are available from the Committee's home page (<http://www.lib.ku.edu/ceal/stat/>).

The CEAL Statistics site has been created and maintained by the CEAL Statistics Committee located at the University of Kansas Libraries, Lawrence, KS since 1999.

2) Web 2.0: Hiroyuki Good, Univ. of Pittsburgh, talked about his experience in using web 2.0 tools such as Facebook, Twitter, and Wordpress. One of the importance

Tao Yang, Rutgers Univ., shared examples of using web 2.0 in reference, instruction, liaison and outreach. Following applications were introduced by Tao for his promotion of East Asian studies networking:

MEEBO (<http://www.meebo.com/>) is an application that "integrates all social network and communication channels into a single, simple-to-use interface." "[U]sers can easily share content and communicate in real time with the people." -- About Us, MEEBO

Netvibes (<http://www.netvibes.com>) is an application "where where millions of people around the world personalize and publish all aspects of their daily digital lives. For agencies and publishers, Netvibes' universal widget technology (UWA), widget distribution services and Premium Dashboards help rapidly deliver brand observation rooms and user-personalized marketing campaigns. For companies, Netvibes Enterprise delivers secure, scalable personalized workspaces, portals and industry dashboards." About Us, Netvibes

Libguides (<http://www.springshare.com/libguides/>) is an application where "libraries can distribute their content into other websites, blogs, and courseware systems. [...] By integrating with many social websites LibGuides connects you with patrons wherever they are."

3) "How do You Cope with Budget Cuts?"

Xi Chen moderated our third round table to discuss about the serious and important issue: budget cut. Next year's situation may be worse, so we have to think about outreach and collaboration to subscribe database(s) such as CiNii and Zassaku Plus.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.