

## Please submit completed form by May 15, 2008

**Send to**: Ruth O'Donnell, Executive Director, <u>flaexecutivedirector@comcast.net</u> (preferred) or 3509 Trillium Ct., Tallahassee, FL 32312

This form must be used in electronic format.

Name of Group: Academic Libraries Member Group

## New Leadership for 2008-09 (Please print; fill out only those lines that apply in your group)

Position/Name	Phone	Email	Address
Leader: Elizabeth Killingsworth, Chair	407-823- 4250	ekilling@mail.ucf.edu	University of Central Florida Libraries P.O. Box 162666 Orlando, FL 32816-2666
Other leadership: Carol Ann Moon, Vice Chair/Chair Elect	352-588- 8261	carol.moon@saintleo.edu	Cannon Memorial Library Saint Leo University Saint Leo, FL 33574

## Report (attach additional pages as needed)

1. **Summary of meetings** held during the year including the conference business meeting

The Florida Chapter ACRL (FACRL) Board and General Meetings held during the Annual Conference were open to all interested academic librarians. Among the topics covered were the 2008 FACRL fall program, membership planning, and reports from the Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and Legislative Representative. In addition, an election was conducted and bylaws revisions approved.

The FACRL Board met prior to the fall program on October 25, 2007, and in conference calls on June 5, 2007 and February 25, 2007. During the year the Board determined that FACRL meets federal guidelines for tax exempt status and does not need to pursue 501c3 status.

For the first time, the Member Group hosted a happy hour get-together for academic librarians during the Annual Conference on Wednesday, April 23 at the B.R. Cuda Sports Bar at the Tradewinds Resort. It was well-received with close to 25 attendees.

The Member Group list was used to communicate with Florida academic librarians during the year.

- 2. **Conference program(s) summary** that includes, as a minimum:
  - Title(s) of programs sponsored
  - Approximate attendance

• Your assessment of the success of the program

Although the Member Group did not hold a program, Elizabeth Killingsworth, Vice Chair/Chair Elect, participated on the Conference Planning Committee, and the Member Group sponsored a number of programs.

3. Other activities held during the year – describe and provide dates, attendance, location

The Member Group co-sponsored the FACRL fall program, "Reinventing Outreach: The New Frontier," held October 26, 2007 at Edison College in Ft. Myers. The event brought together approximately sixty librarians from around the state to discuss the future of outreach and to network with colleagues. The program included an energizing keynote talk, "Library as the New Extension Service: Going Where the User Is," by Drew Smith, Information Literacy Librarian, University of South Florida, followed by presentations offering practical ways to engage our user communities:

"Sending Mixed Messages: Repackaging the Value of the Library" - Brian Mathews, User Experience Librarian, Georgia Institute of Technology

"Successful Outreach and Partnerships: The QEP and Information Fluency" - Elizabeth Killingsworth, Interim Head, Information Literacy and Outreach Department and Corinne Bishop, Information Literacy Librarian, University of Central Florida

"Helping Student Athletes Reach Their Goals at the Library" - Barbara Lewis, Outreach Librarian, University of South Florida

Three scholarships were offered for library school students to attend the fall program and participate in a Next Gen Librarian Panel Discussion. The recipients - Diane Dalrymple, Florida State University College of Information, and Alyssa Mandel and Iris Garcia, University of South Florida School of Library and Information Science - provided their thoughts on future directions for library outreach, the value of user-based services, and strategies for remaining central to campus life.

Out of 40 evaluations, 28 respondents gave an overall rating of Excellent; 10 Good; 1 Good to Excellent; 1 no response.

Also, the FACRL Newsletter, published in the fall and spring, provided an avenue for sharing news about happenings at academic libraries around the state <a href="http://facrl.fcla.edu/newsletter/newsletter.html">http://facrl.fcla.edu/newsletter/newsletter.html</a>.

## 4. Issues Discussion

- Indicate constraints which affected activities.
- Suggestions for improving the group and/or FLA.

Name of person	Betsy Simpson		Past Chair		4/29/08
completing form		Title		Date	