

Advisory Committee for the State Publications Clearinghouse Meeting
Monday, January 14, 2013
2:00 p.m.

Department of Administration Building
Conference Room B
One Capitol Hill
Providence, RI

Present

- Deborah Mongeau, Tom Evans, Greg Facincani, Lisa Zawadzki, Jan Eibel, Chaichin Chen, Tracy Connolly, Colleen McConaghy

Announcements and Introductions

- OLIS has moved to a new location within the Department of Administration building.
- The majority of the OLIS professional collection has been moved to the University of Rhode Island Library. The respective catalogs have been updated to reflect this change.
- Congratulations to Tracy Potter on her marriage. She is now Tracy Connolly and her email is now tconnolly@provlb.org
- The Providence Public Library has almost completed the renovation of their Rhode Island Collection Room.

Approval of the Minutes

- The minutes of the October 9, 2012 meeting were approved.

Update on Clearinghouse Activities

- A server crash at the State Library prevented the distribution of the October shipment of printed state documents.
- The October shipment is ready for delivery. Despite several calls, the delivery company has yet to respond. Chaichin will contact them.
- All captured state documents are now going to the cloud instead of a physical server.
- There has been no change in the update status of the Fire or Electrical Codes.

Other Business

- This committee's online membership needs to be updated to reflect Tracy Connolly's name and email change.
- The current statute needs to be amended to allow the CRIARL chair to name a designee to attend this committee's meetings. It will be introduced in February and possibly passed in June. The text of this statute was distributed to the membership.
- John Lewis of CRIARL has not responded to repeated phone calls or emails. Deborah will continue to attempt contacting him.
- The State Law Library has digitized approximately fifty state documents in their collection.
- The Rhode Island Historical Society has done a survey of historical collections with an eye towards a statewide Rhode Island historical directory.
- OLIS and the Department of Emergency Management are creating a directory of historical holdings around the state. Protecting the Past will allow for the protection of important historical items in times of disaster.
- The Governor has created a new website – Transparency in Government. The URL is transparency.ri.gov. It is meant to provide access to public information such as state contracts, rules, and laws. This would allow interested parties to find such information in one place, rather than at each agency's individual website. There will be overlap with agency websites and ri.gov.
- A General Assembly bill tracking system is on the way. Users will be able to receive emails when there is action on legislation of their choosing.
- All committee members have been sworn in.

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 3:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Zawadzki