

Education City Library Directors Council (ECLDC)  
Meeting Minutes September 19, 2010

**Present:** S.C. Kumaresan (ABP), Allan Groen for Joan de Beer (CL), Frieda Wiebe (GUSFS-Q), Nikki Krysak for Gill Westera (NU-Q), Beverley Stubbs (QA), Fahad Al-Derham for Aisha Al- Kelaifi (QFIS), Kathy Grant (Qatar Music Academy), Tracy Havlin (Sidra), Carole Thompson (TAMUQ), Chris Bell (TLCS), Nancy Fawley (VCUQatar), Ellen Sayed (WCMC-Q)

**Regrets:** Bijan Esfahani (CMU-Q), Mohammad Hammam (Heritage Library)

## Minutes

-Welcome

Chris Bell, Head of Library for TLCS and Kathy Grant, Librarian for Qatar Music Academy

-ECLDC Meeting day and time.

The ECLDC group will continue to meet on Sundays, but will push back the starting time to noon.

-Updates for the Library Quick Facts document.

CT will collect info from TLCS and QMA, then resend.

-Fall Professional Development Activities

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Mike Wirtz – Refworks & Zotero

? Google scholar, Google books

Yuki/VCUQatar Art book presentation (Yuki from Richmond Oct 10-13)

Yuki/VCUQatar Librarians on thesis (for EC library staff only)

Nikki LibAnswers – part of libguides

-Customs issues

CT will send a meeting request and arrange meeting for those affected by increasing censorship issues.

-Update on new hires, significant changes

QFIS

Mohammed Mubarak - new QFIS research librarian, Faisal is a new assistant librarian

VCUQatar

New library space, about 5 times larger will double the collection, includes study and comfort seating, just inside the new entrance (facing north where the old parking used to be.) Recruitment underway for library director with the idea that the candidate will be in place by January. Also hiring for evening and a part-time literacy instructor. Tammy Moe will be shifting to 50% NPRP grant and 50% Qatar Museum Authority. Nancy Fawley will be appointed interim library director.

Central Library

No news regarding director or recruitment. Building tender bids are under evaluation (3-4 months.) Contract for III Millennium system completed, but hardware not acquired. Have a website, logo under development. Mid-December will host Arab group meeting for world digital library WDL, 20-30 countries have been invited. Large atlases have been delivered. No info on EC University, in terms of how CL fits into that entity. Will start working on acquiring electronic resources, might offer virtual reference at some point, and are asking for reference librarian positions to do reference, probably in 2011.

#### WCMCQL

New information services librarian Paul Mussleman. Still have one vacancy under recruitment. Emerging interest by faculty and administration to collect regional materials in medicine in English and possibly Arabic. Interested in knowing other Arabic materials collection development policies. GUQ has a policy – about 10% Arabic, QFIS has about 90% Arabic holdings. GUQL has purchased collection holdings for the Bioethics project. Ellen will be editor-in-chief of the perspectives in international librarianship to be launched in mid-December by Bloomsbury QScience e-journal project (Arend Kuster.) Have some contributions by IFLA leaders. Needs more contributions. Submission and review software interface is being deployed.

#### TAMUQL

New research librarian Adam Cath. Will be requesting RFID implementation for 2011 budget.

#### NUQL

Big student event upcoming to promote library. New website (temporary) but very different. To find info on NUQL, click on left, then right for NUQ catalog. More permanent website will launch in November. Current physical library space is being evaluated; will request remodeling, especially for holdings and stacks. Arabic collection development policy being created in response to faculty request; will be purchasing and collecting in those areas.

#### SIDRA

Mostly lit searching, doc delivery some literacy training. Will be both clinical and a patient library, when hospital is open. All library design is complete; staff will be hired during commissioning phase.

#### Qatar Academy

No staff changes this year. Has a large school library Arabic collection. Changed ILS from Alice to Destiny. Not all records and holdings have migrated properly, especially Arabic holdings. Will be implementing asset management. Will be proposing to combine the early childhood and primary school libraries. Will be hosting 2012 international school library conference. Hoping QISL (Qatar International School Libraries) SIG group will be the significant stakeholders and that there will be a large Arabic stream.

#### Qatar Music Academy

Will have the mission to become a world class music school. Will be moving to a temp (5 year) location in Dec. Permanent, purpose-built building will be in Cultural Village (near InterContinental Hotel.) Will be opening a prep program 40 students grades 3 and 4. Also, planning an outreach program for older students and young adults. Regular program will start next September 2011 for 40-60 students. Library under development in the coming months, to acquire furniture and shelving, etc. Collection will be

everything except teaching resources, but will support a broad school library curriculum with a concentration on music. (Eventually, there may be a music research library.)

#### TLCS

Now housing media and library materials; lots of physical changes. Refocusing and looking at integrating technology. Will be teaching library skills right away. Almost all high school staff are new this semester. TLCS will increase student enrollment to 500 after the center moves to its new building.

GUQL will remain in LAS with other student support units until end of Fall semester, but other admin units have/are moving into new building. Staffing includes librarian and part-time position (under recruitment) to work on the bioethics grant from NPRP to include Arabic, Farsi materials in the main campus Kennedy Institute ethics website. Are working on some new library positions to be recruited for larger library in new building.

-Other general notes:

HEC (French university) will be joining EC to offer an executive MBA. Offices in LAS but classes offered downtown. (AG)

ILN conference. Dubai 30-31 October. Kechu Pecha presentations, papers, workshops. (Gill or Nancy)

-Qatar University Library

Allan, Ellen & CT will meet with QUL's Kira Litvan, Katia Medawar regarding ILL agreement.

-Copyright question re: media.

Copyright law in Qatar – can make one copy for archival copy for educational purposes. (Fahad/QFIS)  
Need to check on US copyright allowance for copying media for archival purposes.

-Next meeting at Central Library villa. November 14, Noon – 2:00pm

Future Meetings:

Feb. 13, 2011

Apr. 10, 2011