

PREFACE

The 34th annual LOEX conference, along with its incredible lineup of presentations, offered attendees some changes to the regular program of events. The most significant of these was the trial run of student poster presentations. We started small, with just six students participating, and found that we had not only offered students the valuable opportunity to be involved at the conference level, but we had also provided veteran librarians with a direct view of what is going on in library schools around the country. And with instruction in a constant state of forward movement, it was interesting to see how the progression was affecting change at the very beginning of the career path. Connecting students with instruction librarians, and vice versa, proved to be a perfect match - one that we plan to keep as part of future conferences.

The hard work of the 2006 Planning Committee produced and incredibly informative, memorable, and exciting conference with keynote addresses by Scott Walter and Joan Lippincott. Opening remarks were given by Trudi Bellardo

Hahn, who was also responsible for taking the initiative for bringing LOEX to Maryland.

I would like to extend a sincere thank you to Maggie Cunningham, chair of the 2006 Planning Committee, and Diane Harvey, co-chair, for their unending dedication to this conference. Their team included Sue Baughman, Bob Garber, Jenny Hatleberg, Travis Johnson, Judy Markowitz, Barbara Nail-Chiwetalu, Joan Stahl, and Cindy Todd. Administrative support was provided by Ashley Rogers and Megan Cox, graduate students in the User Education Services department.

Again, we are so fortunate to be able to meet annually to share and discuss the latest ideas and research in library instruction. Please enjoy perusing this fine set of proceedings from the 34th annual LOEX Conference: *Moving Targets: Understanding Our Changing Landscapes*.

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