



Upstate New York Science Librarians Annual Meeting

Evaluation

Friday, October 26, 2007
Rochester Institute of Technology

This is a compilation of all comments given following the meeting.

Please comment on the correspondence received regarding the meeting (listserv email, web site, registration process)

- Excellent
- Very timely and consistent
- Worked all right for me – convenient, easy
- Excellent although had to read all the pages
- Map/directions were great
- Very good use of listserv, email, web. Registration was easy & I appreciate that Roman was monitoring problems
- Fine
- Good. Very easy to use
- Very good
- Great! Right amount
- It was fine
- Website information – easy to follow, good info, nice maps; registration – it would be nice to pay online but know that's probably difficult
- Excellent, in that communication was quick, clear & complete
- Good idea to have online registration/mail-in payment; good emails and other correspondence
- Very good – email worked
- Good. The quicker the info is ready, the quicker we can get to you. Keep up the good job
- Very good – easy to follow
- Listserv email – this works well for me
- Excellent, timely
- Good! Thanks for the reminders. Great directions – thanks
- Adequate
- Very good
- Excellent – very pleased

Please comment on the meeting facility (location/parking, ease of finding, room set-up, audio/video/Internet capabilities, meals/breaks served, cost)

- Some of the best of all the conferences. Would prefer if cost a little less - \$15-20
- Other than getting confused about the construction sort of blocking access (or so it seemed) the site was nice!
- Very convenient – convenient parking; information booth was helpful in finding the building; room set-up was great; building and facility is beautiful!; audio-video-internet capabilities fine; schedule and meals and breaks – very convenient; cost – reasonable
- Excellent – had several helpful people guide us from door nearest Lot T to main lobby
- Excellent
- Directions & facilities all great. I missed the info on meal options on vegetarian (would have preferred vegetarian option)
- I liked the setup – very easy to go between the 2 rooms, to the restrooms. No signage closest to where I parked in H
- Excellent facilities; bathroom close; lunch close; acoustics good; not enough room on the podium for computer, mouse & speaker papers
- Good. Convenient parking
- Excellent
- Excellent – signage, directions, food, lighting, heat were all great
- Excellent!
- Nice meeting facility – nice room, easy to find, good setup, etc.; tasty food
- Superb, getting to RIT was easy, navigating campus & buildings was easy, the setup of meeting space/food was terrific. OK, the carrot cake was kind of rich ☺
- Great location/meeting space/parking; food and meeting costs were good
- Getting to campus, fine. Once I got in the building, a sign pointing the way to the elevator would have been good
- Wonderful – very good site, food, access
- Perfect – thank you
- Facilities were perfect except I would have liked to be nearer the library so I could walk over & see it
- Very comfortable! Not sure how to enter the building and find the room where we were to meet
- Excellent – great rooms, easy parking; good program organization – appropriate time use; I liked the way Roman kept us on time – otherwise, things can get way out of sync
- Directions to space should have been clearer
- Excellent set-up. Nice job, RIT! Thanks!
- A default veggie option would be great – I didn't see the meal (sorry) ahead of time & could not eat the meal! But I understand if it's too expensive...

Please comment on today's presentations and presenters (speaker length, content, relevance to your work)

- Very good – appreciate staying on time
- Speaker length was about right, with time for questions. Content was interesting. Not all was directly relevant to my work but showed trends in academia that will affect my job eventually
- Katie – fun topic; Fred – important to talk about “minority” groups that may not have “grown up” with all the skills/info they need; Ben – useful ideas; Angelique - ☺; Peter – presentation good but little application to my environment for Encore and SubjectsPlus
- All speakers were excellent. I loved Ben's presentation – terrific. Long Q&A after Fred's – very interesting. Glad to see Encore by Angelique
- Nice variety, length and time for questions good
- Nice mix of topics, engaging speakers, good audience participation, also like something non-library related at the end – tour of CIMS and GDDL
- All the presentations were good, interesting; pacing for presentations was good
- All were helpful and interesting
- Each presentation was very timely
- Super – length was perfect and appreciated keeping on schedule
- A nice mixture of topics. All were relevant. Good to have lots of time for questions & comments. Loved the 1 minute updates
- Good length – nice to have time for comments and Q&A; great topics – very informative, I really like seeing/hearing actual examples of ideas/software (practical applications)
- All was relevant, I'm taking home ideas to use. Brevity of some presentations was appreciated, as was the diversity of topics
- Good scheduling & organization; all speakers were great – excellent range of talks; level of talks was appropriate for meeting
- Terrific – wonderful variety – very stimulating
- Most interesting and for most I got something out of each speaker. Format is good
- Length – just right; content – very useful; relevance – yes!
- Speakers – all good; length – good; content – I'd like to see some talks about topical resources
- Overall, the talks were interesting, relevant and well delivered
- Very interesting presentations. I like to see & learn new ideas. Encore & SubjectsPlus were presentations that offered new & interesting resources. Also the Evaluating Collections was extremely insightful. It is great to hear about projects others have done
- Interesting & relevant. I always learn some new & innovative ideas from these meetings
- Length was good. Could we please not have talks on B.I.? Unless someone has a really innovative idea that works, I think we all “get” the issues/problems. In general, this program was very strong. I learned a lot!
- All good

Please suggest topics for future presentations to aid in planning next year's meeting

- Social network apps for librarians
- Faculty-librarian collaborations (it would be nice to have faculty be part of the presentation)
- Always love the round robin at lunch – maybe even more?
- It seemed to me that none of the topics presented here today were really specific to sciences
- Copyright
- Outreach to faculty and students
- More on social networking
- Scholarly communications
- Collections & resource sharing between organizations & universities
- New social software applications
- Promoting libraries & library services
- (For information purposes) Membership in various societies – who is part of what, what is advantageous, etc.
- Samples of databases – how useful they are
- Good government science resources/search engines
- Technical reports
- RefWorks
- The best topics are new projects others have undertaken or new software we can use. It is especially helpful to sometimes hear about “free” software we can use to enhance our services
- Please no BI topics – unless they are very short & innovative
- Maybe someone from SU I-School?
- Integration of library resources/pages into course management systems
- New innovative services
- Embedded librarianship (people who do office hours in science labs/classes/building & people who sit in on classes)

Other comments/suggestions?

- Food was great; overall planning and organization was very good
- Really good arrangements. Had a great time. Thanks for all the work.
- It would be nice if this group did something in between the annual meetings
- Love the gift! Thank you
- This was a great set-up, well done
- Great program!
- A blank piece of paper in the folder would be useful. Great facility, great lunch, great nametags & bookmarks!
- Very well run meeting
- I like the time we have to talk about who we are, what we do, & what is new in our libraries
- Thank you – fantastic session
- I know it's tough, but I'd like more time to network. Maybe if we did a quick intro in the a.m. to introduce ourselves we could spend the whole lunchtime actually talking to each other