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>> Greetings everyone. I have a microphone, this could get dangerous. Welcome to our annual regional meeting and welcome everyone and welcome guests. Today we are going to be getting the agenda up. We are also have individuals who are participating online. I found the button. One of the first items on the list was Puerto Rico and how things are going in there but also the larger question of what to do if there is a disaster or an emergency and perhaps also what can we do to help our select lives when they find themselves in that kind of situation. I would like to open it up to discussion. Lovely Jamie will be walking around with a microphone so everyone can hear you, please use a microphone. We do have individuals for joining us online.

>> Bill, University of South Carolina. First I want to thank GPO for all the calls over the last couple of months. It keeps us regionals on our toes, but they've been very good, South Carolina, those of us in the southeast to probably almost memorized all the names. By the way if you take all the hurricanes and the first letters and we are [Indiscernible] spells chicken. If you just want to know that. It's the year of the rooster. I offer services to my select lives -- selective Speedo all our department has

>> While people are thinking of things to say I just out of curiosity can you raise your hand if you have a disaster plan for your library?

>> If you don't, you just saw a lot of people raise their hands with nice example disaster plans that you might be able to take a look at.

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>> Reporter:

>> We have disaster plans but it's 10 years old and around tenure old and we need to revisit and update it.

>> Kathy, state library of Pennsylvania. I'm sure you to be disaster plans are going to focus on different things like the people in the southeast will be more hurricane flood, Pennsylvania does more with earthquakes and chemical disasters, those kinds of things so I'm sure that if people out on the virtual meeting with this that there's different disaster plans for different places in the country dealing with the different things.

>> I want to just mention initiative that's been going on in the state of Colorado. A member of a group called a culture on historic resources task force and sorry this is Kate from the University of Colorado. The CHR the task force that has connected directly with the state emergency management office and we are directly involved in an emergency support function which is essentially a portion of the state emergency plan where cultural and historic resources are considered in the event of a disaster. You're considered a little lower in the priority because we understand that people and property come first, but we have a seat at the table and as [Indiscernible] 10 years to get that seat at the table but if you would like to learn more about how this works, I would be happy to give you a little more information and guidance on how you can go ahead and try to set this up in your own state.

>> I am Quincy clear from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. As a disaster for them in addition to being a regional I can tell you that when we had a disaster it was really helpful for the state library which is not original to just be a go-between, but I think also regionals can simply connect people with other resources or be the ones to network in our regions or in our towns or whatever to gather assistance for the libraries that have had a disaster because usually they are just overwhelmed it cannot even figure out where to begin. We can kind of be shepherding some of those things in the background while they are dealing with the more immediate concerns.

>> Stephanie Rogers, Virginia Commonwealth University. I think that a common problem is people have disaster plans but they don't have continuity of operation plans, so they have a plan for how to recover but they don't in the long term but they don't have a plan for what to do in the two or three days after to provide access to information. If you are building a new plan I would urge you to add that portion or two at a separate document that is your continuity of operation.

>> I think a disaster that not everyone has -- my name is Neil [Indiscernible] from the University of Kansas and I think another disaster to plan for our pandemics. We've seen the stars and various other things like swine flu and can encourage more trust training as well as more telecommuting in the case of a disaster or pandemic official question oftentimes is at what point in terms of how much of the student body is sick and how much of the staff are sick before you move to an emergency setting. That's a threshold question that picture and the administration, it's helpful to work there before the pandemic hurt -- hits.

>> Any other topics related to disasters?

>> This is Arlene from the state library of Oregon. I'm curious does anybody know this but I have not talked to Jane so I don't know how did her library come through and what kind of resources did she need? Does anybody have more knowledge about what actually happened in Puerto Rico?

>> I believe she said that her building was not that affected. He had already been I believe the terms used was pardoned to withstand hurricanes and they had some leaking, but it wasn't near the collection [Indiscernible].

>> Other than that, I think she would like to have constant access to a working telephone and computer and showers.

>> I met, Tom [Indiscernible] I'm not a regional but I was asked by Melissa earlier in the conference to give a backup because in Fort Lauderdale we did have a near brush with some of this. Some years ago we had a systemwide review of a continuing of operations plans and I set up a few emails by the way what about the documents and they said what about the documents? I said we have to have a disaster plan in place for replacement because of this is federal property. Many of the people in the administration had never heard of that, knew nothing about it so I work as closely as I could with my main library and the administration of the library system to get documents into the overall plan so it's one thing to develop your own disaster plan that you are going to follow but does your administration no? I say that not because it seems obvious is Mac or what have you but I was told something very enlightening. I was of course very focused on document recovery. Should something happen to the main library, where'd we move the documents to and a lot of this discussion and GPO and the older advice to the libraries was move the stuff off site if you have to, etc., things like that. I was told you have to understand anything you move out of main library is going to move to another branch that's already full. That everything in Maine libraries going to compete for shelf space. So therefore even if the collection is relatively intact, you won't be able to take it all. You may have to make some very tough choices as to what you salvage and what you will have space for when you move whatever you move out. It's something to keep in mind in terms of what do we either use most highly, what is most valued, what part of our collection do we actually choose and take out if we have to say the specs save only a small fraction of it. That may not be a choice, it's up to you. It may be something the administration says, your faculty, somebody, I don't know, but it's a complicated question. In that regard regionals may be able to help us as a selective. In my case the most valuable and I don't say this the most heavily used for the most valuable documents I have are Florida statutes going back into the 1950s go they don't exist anywhere else. There's very few copies in where. This -- they've never been digitized and the not replaceable. But in that regard it's possible that regionals can assist with perhaps some advice, what kind of input at the level of federal documents what should we keep, what could we get rid of, what could we abandon if we have to in terms of the ease with which something like that might be reconstituted when it comes down to that level of collection. That is regionals could help with some of that not so much disaster planning or collection management but that weird gray area between the two, just a thought.

>> Other everyone's been introducing themselves, I am Suzanne [Indiscernible] the regional for Montana, I'm in Missoula. Any other thoughts on disasters? One thing that's come to my mind is financial disasters. With think about earthquakes, fires, floods, hurricanes, chemical spills, honestly I

haven't thought about chemical spills, and my state is currently going through a bit of a financial crisis were having lots of cuts and one thing that happened was our state library had to send me their entire collection. Because they are renting out the space, they need the money that badly. Luckily we were able to find room for the over 600 boxes of documents, but now I'm having to go to the mall. I'm wondering if some of us should also consider possibilities of getting extra help with some of these cases as well?

>> If there's no more discussion on disasters, then we can move on to everyone's favorite topic for this conference, the unofficial theme changes to title 44. We've heard a lot so far and I think the GPO has done a really great job trying to provide information. Is there anything that is standing out regarding these changes?

>> If there are not comments I'm going to start planning.

>> In the front.

>> Bill [Indiscernible] University of South Carolina. Somebody's been around this a lot, a long time ago back in 1993 there was something called the conference on the future government information come how many in this room was also in this room's judgment those rooms. Raise your hand. Is about half a dozen. Of us. I am -- I've been very impressed about how the discussion has gone. It's been the most civil, open, collegial and I'm so hopeful I think the thing that strikes me is we try to change title 19 or part of title 44 in the past and it was trying to change things but not changing the environment. I think what's different this time is the whole environment is being looked at. It's all of title 44 so GPO's in this boat with us, were not trying to tell GPO that this one little piece needs to be what ever. So at this point I'm just real curious about what's going to come out of the committee at this point.

>> A lot of people have given their input and a lot of people have given a lot of really good input. I don't know if we are halfway there, we are quarter there or whatever, but it's a good start because there's lots of people that even after this conference you can express your opinions too, you can express them to GPO, to counsel but there's [Indiscernible]. Gavin has been here the whole time. There's a lot of particular people you can go to pick what you can go to your own ALA Council members if you want to. This is a reminder [Indiscernible] there is the ALA committee on legislation. They have a subcommittee called government information subcommittee. You can come yell at the chair at the JS subcommittee. Be yelling at me to for some reason I found myself doing this. But I'm really pleased that all the constituents that are affected by this are playing really nice together. I do want to end on I was really pleased to see how the testimony went. Thank you, Selena, thank you Beth you all were wonderful. It was fun watching you all. So I'm hopeful sort I think we are at a good start.

>> Kevin Baker from American Library Association here as a guest of [Indiscernible] is you heard serving, chair of our government information subcommittee this year. Thanks to all of you for all of your engagement in this process both through [Indiscernible] ALA, other associations come your home institutions directly as a citizen it's a really important conversation and a big thanks to everybody involved for helping to regress to the place where we are and hopefully carry us over the finish line with something that we will be really happy with. One thing that I would like to ask for particular feedback on is with the concept that GPO presented this morning around how grantmaking might work and I know this is a new -- new information so if folks are not prepared to volunteer an opinion at this time, feel free to shoot me an email or catch me tomorrow morning or whatever, but I think frankly this is going to be one of the most challenging pieces for Congress to include because Congress is reticent to give out money and it behooves us if this is something that we want to happen to very quickly come up with as clear a concept as possible for how we want this to work and I think this applies to everybody but I want to put it to the folks in this room because the concept that GPO presented this morning's initial idea for some feedback. It's about giving money to you, the regionals, for you to use and distribute to your selective's on a formula basis rather than on a competitive basis. I would be really interested to hear any thoughts that people have again either now or later off-line about you like that idea? You have

questions? Concerns? How would that work effectively? What would be necessary in order for that to be meaningfully impactful in the work you are doing in your region? This process has been moving quickly and it seems like it's going to continue to move quickly so if we want this idea to be on the train before it leaves the station like we've got to back it up pretty quick.

>> Just a reminder if you're going to send Gavin comments, please send it to the LC also. Because that's where part of the overall process, okay? I think it's a great idea, thank you for bringing that Gavin because I was hoping somebody would.

>> I don't want to overlook the possibility of the gift authority as much too. Because there's a lot that depository libraries -- like Prairies have done in the past 10 years that has been difficult -- what could've been potential gifts or gifted to GPO that might have saved GPO some time and effort and whatever. Down from bottom up, cataloging to creation of databases that do things like help with this cars and stuff like that. Could not have been accepted as a gift whether it was compatible with a system or not. I know there's technical issues but if that were not technical issues, that is something that not have been gifted. Because that was when the first answers we got the information, good work, but we cannot take it. I wouldn't overlook the value of gift authority and again, if that adds up, that is something that I think could be shown back to the committee with the community is providing this much value to GPO, why don't you give value back to these guys.

>> I very much like the idea that -- I'm sorry, Ellie [Indiscernible] University of Georgia. The idea that the agency that oversees the [Indiscernible] would also be able to provide grants to support depository libraries, preservation workbook government information is absolutely brilliant if for no other reason that these other writing agencies like [Indiscernible] often will see something like it's government documents and the cool fun stuff will get digitized but the stuff that is not the amount would say boring, not as flashy or not as exciting to most people, it's like it's government documents because no one cares about that, that absolutely is not true pickles will be able to have an agency that specializes in government information and provide grants that maybe all you need. No one else is doing it on a regular basis.

>> Charlene from the state library of Oregon and I think that as GPO explores the models and options one of the most natural places to look for models is state libraries. Because in many cases state libraries take that date grants from Ima less allocation and then grant it back into their states library community so they have some experience with administering grant about but also doing it and maybe a little bit less of a competitive environment and smaller scale kinds of grants because I think we are talking about smaller scale grants. Because we know the money is not going to be there and make world changing differences. And my state we actually administer a fate -- state-funded program for funded libraries that is noncompetitive but he also and it's around early literacy, but what it does that I think is really fantastic is it forces libraries to write a plan, figure out the outcomes they want to achieve without money, measure it and report back about it. That is what is really missing in our program is data and assessment and if we can have something that has some money attached to it, we can get people motivated to begin to think in that mode of measuring the impact and value of the services that they are providing. I think state libraries have a lot to contribute to this conversation not just because of they get I MLS money but they also can turn around money to do other grant administration at the scale that will probably are talking about in terms [Indiscernible] I hope that GPO talks a lot to [Indiscernible] and other state libraries as well.

>> [Indiscernible] stick Kansas library. I don't have an opinion on what type of grantee should happen, with these different models are but I do see granting as a way to bring value back to wipe some library might want to continue to be a depository. Historically, want the content, it was common to us free, we wouldn't have been affording all the content if it wasn't coming to us as a depository so there was a status associated with being a depository library. I think that if we could create some of that status again

through granting the project we could do and provide for that common good with a little bit of assistance, I think that would get some of the libraries excited again.

>> Kiersten clumsy, state library of Ohio. I want to echo what Arlene said about you with the state library. We are used to doing this every day with grants equate administer the grant the state program in Ohio is well and there's a lot of work that goes into running that grants program and I want to make sure that for those regional that aren't at a set library they understand what they might be getting into. I hope that GPO will work with the state libraries who also happen to be regionals too. To make sure that everyone understands what that can mean.

>> Sandy [Indiscernible] University of Kentucky libraries. There's also something in the preservation steward agreement where GPO could use some funding support to help us with the things they promised to help us with. And I'm sure they're going to try to do that but I think having the grant is a possibility of a way to do it would be very helpful. [Indiscernible].

>> I think this might be one of those continual discussions of this I've ever heard. Obviously we have made some pretty good stripes. -- Strives.

>> This is Jim Shaw, University of Nebraska at Omaha, we are 60% selective there but I'm also acting chair of depository library counsel of this conference. We've talked about this a lot on conference and believe me, the concern about if grantmaking authority is awarded to GPO without additional money that could raise some problems of its own. That's a concern I would like people to understand that we are aware of, but as a counsel we decided to go ahead and make a recommendation in favor of it thinking and other councilmembers in the room can jump in if they need to on this. We may have a golden moment here, an opportunity that if we don't make a real run at it we may look back in a couple years and ask ourselves what were we thinking? We need to make a run at this. There's clearly a lot of details to be worked out because I think the presentation this morning gave us some glimpses into how things might be worked out but clearly we just need to make a run at this. We don't want to miss an opportunity that may not come around for a long long time to come. I would urge everybody to keep an eye on what the House committee is doing. They had three staffers here, Monday and today all day because I thought they were just coming for Monday, they came back today. They been paying a lot of attention and taking a lot of notes and when we get a life bill we will need to evaluate it and then get the word out to everybody. Make the contacts, make the arguments and try to push it through. To the extent we are able. But we do appreciate counsel, we appreciate everybody being involved and a general sense I think is that there's a lot of support for this so we will advocate for it. We have a meeting set up with director Vance Cook tomorrow afternoon. I think we will encourage her to keep promoting it and we will back her up.

>> Stephanie Rogers, Virginia [Indiscernible] University. I've a question for Robin or Lori. Would -- if that power is granted would it have to be used? For instance, if they say you have the power to give grants, but were not going to give you money, can you choose not to give grants if there is no money or does it mean that if that's put into the law then the money has to be carved out from somewhere in order to create those grants?

>> It's a good question. This is Lori [Indiscernible]. There's a lot of unfunded mandates in the government. I guess we would have to decide if we don't have any money specifically carved out for that would we then try to go and ask for some, you can ask for this year or ask for it next year, you can keep getting turned down or potentially would we Robin and I talked about this many times, would we stop something that we do now that cost money to then move into that program because obviously we hear from you that the grants are something you probably would want. But it depends on just how much -- setting up a program like that you have to have some significant dollars to make it worthwhile. So you're right, we are so tight on our budget right as it is now and our appropriation continues to stay very very stable so yes, what are you willing to give up?

>> [Indiscernible-Faint audio]

>> I'm not sure if the temperature in the room would change if people thought it's an either or proposition. One of the slides you had this morning said if there is extra money this is a great idea. I'm not sure how people would feel about it if there's not extra money. If you said where -- what you want us to carve out ask what you want us to cut? That might change people's perception of the grantmaking request that's why moderate if it can be expected if it's more of your choice as opposed to once it's done it's done and has to be handled that way.

>> [Indiscernible-Faint audio]

>> It would probably that choice would probably be at the even higher than my pay grade so at the director level. Potentially there will be some harder choices Robin and I have always talked about when is the program going to come to the point where we don't distribute tangibles at all? Sorry. I will take that limb too. We keep thinking that the numbers are going down and down, is there going to come a point where it's not feasible for us to run a tangible distribution unit? There's some significant dollars associated with that. The same thing with Michael Riche. As removing -- microfiche, as were moving into a totally different program those or maybe the hard choices we have to make so now I will give it back to Cindy because she probably has more thoughts on that.

>> City [Indiscernible] GPO. I want to say about the option of if we are granted authority do we have to use it and I think it's going to depend on how the language is written into the bill. Is going to be a may or shall? If it's a may then it's there and we can use it whenever we see fit to use it. If it's a shall, it may be another story because there's a lot that will have to be answered after we see the language in the bill.

>> Halle [Indiscernible] University of Georgia. To echo what Jim said, this seems like now is an opportunity we don't want to waste and again it doesn't seem like there's a really clear plan of if they give us grant making authority then we know we are going to exist don't see that that's really a problem now. I guess to me it seems more the idea that GPO can -- would have grantmaking authority and then the idea from there would be no you can do it, what do you do next? Come up with a plan then put that to be funded. Perhaps that's too simplistic but it seems to me if you've got something concrete where you say you want this much money to do this and this, it's better than saying we just want to give money to anyone who wants to do something with government documents.

>> Built [Indiscernible] University of South Carolina. One assumption this bill passes, this bill passes because the community has come together and there's grantmaking authority in their. You've got a lot of people who have a lot of expectations that something will get done. Not only just us in this room, but when you start talking the availability of money, how many of you are administrators are going to be interested in this? The other thing is I don't think at least ALA [Indiscernible] ALA council would say if this is a possibility, why didn't you go there? I would at least think that ALA there would be some reaction within ALA. And as I said, it would be limited to ALA because the communities would have gotten this bill passed and at that would take an awful lot to the people in the capital. There's a lot of people and the reason things have not worked in the past is because there was fraction. There were it wasn't 100%, but if this is almost for the community has consensus than I have as I said I'm very hopeful what would happen afterwards if it isn't funded. Your chances are a whole lot better.

>> Kevin Baker at ALA. To echo Cindy's point, there's different ways that the language could be written. But to respond to the issues that Haley and Bill have just raised, it's a political question as well. If Congress has an expectation that something is going to happen, regardless of what the law says. It's like going to your boss and saying I know you really want to do this project but it wasn't in my position description so I did not do it. It's not a good look at is not a good relationship to have. Part of this is about setting expectations with Congress as well. I think as has been mentioned by Jim that the staff were here and they heard a very frank discussion about that people would like to see this, but they're also concerned that they don't want to see other critical resources go away. That will be an important message to reiterate but there will be a development job in the sense of developing this concept out

more fully. It's possible that it could be as simple as we are giving you the authority and that's the end of the sentence and go figure out what you want to do with it.

>> In my estimation that is unlikely. I think it's hard for Congress to give such an open ended grant of authority in the current political context. I think whether or not the legislation is more specific I think that there will be an expectation that there is a more specific concept in mind that there is a plan at least well under development before that politically they would want to do that. That is why this concept I think needs to be developed by the community and by the office and is almost unrelated to the legislation. The legislation could move on one track and the concept can be developed on a separate track. Not a word may change in the legislation as it gets developed but the expectation would still be that a plan is being flushed out that in consultation with Congress so that they understand what the words will mean and practical impact. Even if you see what you like in the first version of the legislation it doesn't mean that the conversation will be over. Even if the authorizing committee is happy with it you still have to get the money from the Appropriations Committee every year you will have to continue to get the money for it. If this is a road that people feel strongly about and they want to go down and think it would add a lot of value to the program there will be work ahead for everybody. And especially for those of you whose representative sits on the committee on House administration -- if that is you, you will probably be hearing from me but it applies to everybody in terms of advocating for where you'll want this to go.

>> Lori, GPO. Knowing how things have gone for my 32 years working at GPO, usually what happens and this is usual not usual. We usually are -- we will be asked to do some investigation. Come up with a model, come up with some background about a particular topic. Some possibilities. That potentially there may be a period of will give you a little bit of money to do pilot projects. So there will be the stage where we get a little bit of money to do pilot projects and show our results. Then potentially there may be once the proof of concept is done once they figure out that we can do it or how it is working then maybe there would be more solid funding that continues on a regular basis. That is usually how it goes or they will turn around and say how much money do you need? That doesn't happen as much in most times it's a little bit of money here and we actually have asked for a little bit of money from our prior year funding which we get to do all the continuing resolutions and we've just gotten approval from that to do some investigation. Some white papers, some background on possible models come how a program would work. We will probably be starting that shortly. So I think the result of that then will also give the committee whichever committee wants the information, I'm not sure how, however but we will have some investigation of options if a potential -- legislation -- legislative change is in the works. That is usually how it happens. Would you agree?

>> Robin [Indiscernible] GPO. I agree with Lori on that. We don't have enough information yet to be able to forecast, but think a bit about how -- is Bernadine here?

>> I think she has a really strong fair sense of what the legislators might do sometimes. I tend to be a little bit more difficult about it and I'm thinking what is behind this? I love the timing, it builds right on target about the fact that it seems eight years ago when we were talking about this we had to have consensus and we were all over the map as far as a community. I said you were not going to get consensus on this. But it does seem that this is seen as a positive. It could be a very strong positive. I would suggest though that you put forward your ideas of ways that you either strongly believe it should be applied or state those conditions under which you don't think it should be applied. So if you believe it should be applied in fairness and equity, across the board, you need to say that. If you think maybe it's good [Indiscernible] for particular state you should say that or say that is not acceptable. Because once it gets to us we will have to implement and that's going to depend on the language that's been carefully pointed out and also on the administration. That's in charge at that point. State what you want, state what is not acceptable and come together as a community for that.

>> Bill [Indiscernible], University of sort -- self calendrical you make House committee on administration one hotseat.

>> Kevin Baker at ALA. On the timing I know that I've set this to many people individually so sorry to those of you who have heard this before. There is a window of timing here. Congress has to deal with every topic under the sun and most of the time they ignore most of them. On this topic they've held for hearings plus roundtables, plus library visits plus individual meetings, plus reviewing many many written comments. They hired staff specifically to work on this. The individual staff members from the committee members offices are engaged. This is a high level of investment that Congress does not do unless they are really serious about working on something because as I said most of the time they just ignore stuff and you all will know that that has typically been the case with this program. The signs are that they are really serious about doing something. The proof will be inputting about whether it's a good product or not, but now is the opportunity to get all of the best ideas on the table and only then will there be a chance of having them included that of course once we have our product then we will see whether it's something that we like or we don't like. The first we've got to put our best begin forward. As we've been doing, but the next couple weeks the key time to continue doing that as they are beginning to actually draft something.

>> Tom Fisher [Indiscernible]. The discussion so far seems to be taking place related to grant almost in isolation. One of the things that I want to step back a minute and take a little bit higher altitude look is understand that a lot of the recommendations that we made on counsel linked together. The definition, the change of -- 1901 and 1902, 1911 and 1912, they together and from that point of view if you think about it, it can add up. May be. I do know a lot about GPO's budget, but say for example gift authority. GPO wants to implement a program of digitizing this particular document, this one of something. One of the [Indiscernible] we've got that already. Here is the files. Save a little money. 1904, they don't have to invest heaps of time and effort in revising the item selection list because we will come up with something yet to be determined, saves a little money. Changes outside of 19 I think it was 17 minimum number of copies that they may not have to print any more. Saves a little money. If all of this is taken together there may be some and we don't know how much perhaps more than we thought. There might be some money anyway but the whole point comes back to director Vance Cook's mandate to the Council, the charge was flexibility. You cannot decide on something whether you want to do it or not if you don't have the authority to do it. Now they're looking at giving us the authority to do it. I say go for it.

>> I'm now going to suggest that we do something that we actually should have done at the beginning, thank you for the reminder. This is Suzanne, University of Montana because it's tradition to have all the regionals stand up and introduce themselves.

>> Come on everybody.

>> Hi. I am Bill [Indiscernible] at the University of South Carolina.

>> Kathy Hale, state library of Pennsylvania.

>> Haley Johnson, Louisiana State University.

>> Jade Kirk, Utah State University.

>> Kate Taman, University of Colorado Boulder.

>> Brent Abercrombie, Indian state library.

>> Laura [Indiscernible] New York public library, regional from New Jersey.

>> I'm Gwen Sinclair, University of Hawaii at Manoa we are the regional for Hawaii, Guam, Federated States of Micronesia and until recently American Samoa.

>> Greg Curtis, University of Maine we handled many New Hampshire and Vermont.

>> Crystal [Indiscernible] Washington state library regional Washington and Alaska.

>> Sandy magnets come University of Kentucky, regional for Kentucky. For two more months and 14 days.



>> [Laughter].

>> [Applause]

>> We are not done with me yet. I'm only going to have time is called [Indiscernible] I will probably be back next year but this is Dr. Angie make my she's our new director selections, my boss. She will on January 1 take on interim repository coordinator duties until they can fill my position but I will be hanging around is a federal depository unit archivist going through all of the files that I've not had time to go through. And she will be the person that you will be communicating with on regional [Indiscernible] starting anyway one.

>> I will be listening in though.

>> Since I'm the director of collections I have a very easy excuse to talk to anyone in the library dealing with any academic programs and any people on [Indiscernible] with any academic programs so have a sneaky strategy to drum up some enthusiasm and knowledge about how to use government information because it's a wonderful, wonderful Goldmine, a treasure trove of primary resource materials and also a data nerd so I have sneaky plants. Maybe not so sneaky

>> I'm at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill spent McQuiston clumsy, state library of Ohio.

>> Marie [Indiscernible] University of Missouri.

>> Amy [Indiscernible] University of Idaho.

>> Philly [Indiscernible] University of Georgia.

>> Stephanie Carter, Mexico State University.

>> Monica or me at University of Mexico.

>> Lori Thorton, state library of New Mexico altogether we are the New Mexico region.

>> [Indiscernible] University of Kansas, regional for Kansas and I'm on my way out I'm still going to be a Kansas and my colleague Neil [Indiscernible] [Indiscernible-Faint audio] he will be taking over spam yes, my name is Neil Axton, La labor in for 10 years but I recently the summer started University of Kansas. I work with Carmen in the graduate center and I will also be the regional coordinator for Kansas.

>> Hello everyone I am Alicia [Indiscernible] at the University of Minnesota. We serve Minnesota, South Dakota and Michigan.

>> Ali [Indiscernible] from the state library of Oregon.

>> John Allison, University of Iowa and Iowa.

>> Amelia Rams, state library of Arizona.

>> [Indiscernible] University of Maryland, Maryland Delaware and DC.

>> [Indiscernible] University of Memphis.

>> [Indiscernible] from University of Memphis.

>> One last thing, as the moderator for regional L, please email me. Or I can get you my card when there is a change at your institution as to who needs to receive the emails, if you need to add staff, if it's an interim situation or if there is a retirement, let me know when and what the timing needs to be on this. I've got Sandy -- I will be around in January probably. If that's the case then we like to keep people on if they were still around, but let me know. I tried to get the changes done as soon as possible and but it's important that everybody is on regional L who can be on regional L in to communicate and again I think we are at one of those times that this would be very helpful.

>> Suzanne [Indiscernible] University of Montana. Did we miss anyone else? We have three people on line. We have today stably from the University of North Dakota. We have Jody Hewitt from the University of Florida and we have Lori [Indiscernible] from Washington who says her regional is in person but she's participating online.

>> I would now like to turn this over to the wonderful Sherry [Indiscernible] of GODORT to tell us the perspective and any updates.

>> Hi every one my name is Sharon Alaska, at the University of company a Santa Barbara and I forgot I was going to be speaking tonight. I will keep this extremely brief and first I will announcement that

[Indiscernible] has an open social happy hour beginning at 8 PM in the SkyDome North tower all the way up and up one more, you're all invited to join us. Second announcement is GODORT has announced awards nominations for 2018 . You all know people who do amazing, amazing work that we want to recognize them they do not have to be a member of GODORT in order to be recognized so I strongly encourage you to consider writing letters. Title 44, I had all these plans when I became GODORT chair that went out the window the day after annual when we found out that this process is going to be underway. So for those of you who are not familiar with GODORT which is a roundtable, we are part of the American Library Association. Like a little our own little body. We are not part of a division. We are just part of big ALA. We knew right away that our role we felt as GODORT is to represent the perspective of document libraries, government information, government publication librarians and the users that we serve. The users who are served by government information so it was very important to me personally that we take advantage of an opportunity to put together something that GODORT had really not in and of itself done which is to have a position on the FDL P but that's price me but going back to documentation GODORT has position statements in addition to participating within the American Library Association legislative process which we do the writing resolutions which are sent to ALA Council through that process. We developed statements in the past pertaining to particular policies, a few years ago with the regional [Indiscernible] GODORT commented on that to go but we did not have something that said what should -- how should the future of the FDL P look with relation to title 44? So that's basically what we all did in August because that's all I remember from August, I really cannot tell you much else. I was able to work with [Indiscernible] quickly put together a working group which consisted of myself dispatcher, help her to come University of Georgia who is GODORT to let [Indiscernible] who is now at Loyola University of Chicago, Jeff is also the chair of GODORT legislation committee and we had Amy Quinn volunteer to join is to help us work on the development process. We also asked stewing for the feedback and comments on what GODORT's vision statement should be and I'm really grateful to report to this group that one of the biggest pools of assistance that we had in identifying developing and discussing this position statement was the group of past chairs at the depository library Council. There were I think eight or 10 past chairs of DLC who provided substantial input that included Jim Jacobs, Bill [Indiscernible] Eileen wobble, [Indiscernible] Barbie Selby, I'm sure I'm forgetting some of the people that I heard from as well. It was great thing about having this pull is that in addition to talking with GODORT about current existing issues we were able to draw on the perspective of people who spent a long time thinking and writing and talking about title 44. We developed a recommendation document which is posted on LA connect for GODORT members and I'm willing to share with anyone who would like to see it. The central idea was to identify key principles for the federal depository library program. They include permanent novae public access to vital information can be accomplished through continued partnership with GPO and libraries Bickel it's very important that libraries are doing this work, we going to continue to do this work in order to serve our users. The best and most productive and most efficient way to do this is in partnership with GPO. We also agreed that the FDL P is well-positioned to play significant role in the long-term reservation of federal information. The fact that title 44 did not set up the FDL P explicitly as a preservation program , and nevertheless not only did it in fact become something like a preservation program but the opportunity to continue to build on that to make a true robust preservation program that includes rent and digital was something that we recognized as important to our ability to serve the public and serve all of our users. Then we also discussed and identified the improvement of broader fetal information policy that could facilitate better access and more reliable preservation for government information.

>> We spent August working on this document. We had an open meeting for ALA members in late August to discuss a draft and made some final changes following that we submitted these recommendations to the committee on legislation and the Washington office and following that submission I've been able as chair GODORT to work closely with Gavin Baker in discussing options for

the development of legislation and to continue to provide one of many voices of feedback that is coming through this process. Going forward I think that the best thing that we can do is to continue to have these really open helpful discussions especially the kinds of feedback for those of us who are ALA members Kevin says he wants to hear about something, this is a really excellent time to let him know, that council knowest well. [Indiscernible] I hope that GODORT will have a role in providing a forum for discussion of what it is we are looking at. How are we responded to it, what are some potential affects both positive and negative of certain kinds of language and basically supporting the internal mechanisms of ALA in terms of working with the legislation and also supporting our members in terms of deciding how they individually want to respond and comment on the process. Spin I think that's really all that I would have to say off the top of my head about this but I welcome any questions. You can catch me during the conference during happy hour, I will be here tomorrow morning. My email is [Indiscernible] and you're always welcome to send me a note if there's any questions right now, I'm happy to try to address them as well.

>> Come to happy hour when you are done here.

>> Thank you.

>> Thank you, Sherry. [Indiscernible] next item for discussion on the agenda is the FDLP eXchange. Has anyone had a chance to try that thoughts, questions? Dreams? Aspirations?

>> This is Gwen Sickler with the University of Hawaii at Manoa Library. I cannot wait until the eXchange is alive. I'm busy preparing needs lists which is tortuous. Going through our shelf -- our old card shelf list cards Achilles, figuring out what we have, what's in our main collection. We have something like 10,000 documents hiding in our main selection so it's been a really interesting experience but I cannot wait to actually get something posted so that I can [Indiscernible] with my selective instead of having to check all those list which I'm sure you are all feeling the same thing.

>> Kate [Indiscernible] I'm going to put in a little plug for GPO. Because we had a lovely summer meeting where we had the Colorado selected gather together we did a training session on the FDLP eXchange and it was really useful. I think it helped us start to identify how we going to change her own procedures and are on the floor. We've already have a mere side so not only do I have the instructions and I provide to my selective is now on our website also started developing a guide they can just work through the process because some things have changed, something's going to be more convenient for all of us so I want to say you can always reach out to GPO and ask them to meet with you what they can do webinars, they can get with you and your selective's and you can practice together. I just wanted to throw that out there. Is something you can do.

>> Kathy Hale, state library of Pennsylvania. UB. When I -- my selective's have been heavily bombarding me with when are we going to start, when are we going to start? So I think there is a lot of positive this is going to work because they are not only excited that they can streamline the process more, but that if they do have things to offer that there are places like Hawaii that might need them that nobody knows that they are offering them. So I think it's really going to have a lot of document flying back and forth.

>> As a seal we for education materials for the office of education and already part of the [Indiscernible] disposition database I am going to be very busy exporting my already created needs a list which is nice and look forward to having every one of those filled hopefully when the next two years so I could be a real good preservation steward for GPO and the rest of you all. I am so glad this has gotten here. Are those of us who have had the benefit of a very similar process in the Southeast for the last few years and you feel really good when you can look at these staff and say 65,000 items did not go in the blue bins. They found homes over the last 10 years in the Southeast and I hope it quintuple spin times more for within the process. -- 10 times more for within the process.

>> Alicia [Indiscernible] University Minnesota go I will echo what was said about the needless. We spent a ton of time curating this list and it will be great to see these areas filled in. We made sure it's as comprehensive as possible. I always like even when I was in with the coda and we would read duplicates

for the other regionals, you spend so much time making those needs lists or offers list and it was very sad when no one would ever take anything and you invest so much time into making those offers list and I'm really hoping with this new eXchange we feel like it really finalization in making offers and we actually see that people will take them so I'm excited about that too.

>> Comments from Jody Hewitt, she agrees with Bill and is very excited to see this nationwide.

>> Suzanne Carr University of Montana. I'm going to go out there too that when I found out I was getting 56,000 items from the state library we were able to have a training with the FDLP to go over the exchange -- the eXchange end of the list I received were in the template. I think that might be some sort of GPO miracle.

>> I'm wondering Lisa if you might want to talk -- this is Arlene from state library of Oregon. If you could talk about how we will phase from the testing mode of FDLP eXchange to production because just so everybody remembers we are in test mode. We are not in life so maybe you could talk a little bit more about that?

>> [Indiscernible] part of why we doing the training site is there's two things going on there. One is everybody we did not hear from a lot of libraries that wanted to test it out and try and see how it's going to work for them so he wanted to give you that access and maybe work some things out before we launched the lifecycle of the things we've been trying to get a host site and we just recently got that so part of it is also getting -- giving us time to stand it up on the host site. Depending -- I'm hoping that it's going to come about in the next couple months, hopefully sooner rather than later. But I'm the person with the cattle prod going go faster. I think there's some other folks who are maybe trying to work through a little more details. A couple things to mention. If you were here I know some of you were in the presentation yesterday and some of you were not. The announcement went out to the [Indiscernible] around 330 -- after the presentation because we had to use the training site to do the presentation so we did the presentation then we wiped the data and [Indiscernible] your all accounts as you should be getting welcome emails from that process. The were a few that do not load so if he did not an email to the depository coordinator list, I know there was a problem with Nevada's libraries. I think there was one in [Indiscernible] that had a problem at NYU but most of them should be in there or if it doesn't write when you go in there please let us know and we will get you sorted out. I'm not sure if I really covered [Indiscernible]

>> [Indiscernible-Faint audio]

>> For those of you online Arlene asked about the process for moving things over from the training site to the production site. The idea with the training site is you can go in there and play around and not have to worry about breaking anything. I'm not sure how quite the show we going to the process but basically were going to have four copies of the same thing. We won't -- production site will have any of the data in the training site. So if you go in there and make a complete mess of it you don't need to worry about that. But it will basically be probably we will make a copy of, stand up, wipe the data and make eventually we will have a training site, a production site, test site and a evolvment site. -- A development site.

>> Can we get a round of applause for Lisa?

>> [Applause]

>> Thank you very much, Lisa. I think we are all really eager for this thing to go live. Sherry [Indiscernible] University of California, Santa Barbara. As GODORT chair [Indiscernible] sorry [Indiscernible] if there isn't any more discussion I will -- on the exchange list then let us move on to preservation steward.

>> Bill, did you want to start?

>> That is a first.

>> Our agreement is at legal, that's where our agreement is so hopefully in the next month it will show up at GPO. That's all I'm going to say.

>> Beth Williams from Stanford Law school. I had a question about getting information about the preservation steward agreement. They don't seem to be publicly available unless they are there and I cannot find them which I apologize in advance if that's the case. In some cases even the press releases don't give the date ranges of collections that are being made available in the preservation steward so it would be terrific if we could have all those agreements publicly available. For me, anyway. I think it would be awesome.

>> [Indiscernible] GPO, the agreements themselves are not on the website but the actual inventories of the items the libraries are green to service preservation steward for her own partnership site of FDLP.gov, there's a chart of all the partners at the top of the page, preservation storage are listed first in chart and the description category there's a link to the spreadsheet that each of the libraries provided us with inventory because some of the proficient stewards are in the 20 collections so we don't have list for them but those [Indiscernible]

>> Beth from Stanford Law school. So one of the key benefits of the preservation agreements is the agreements themselves are so flexible and I know that they are available and there's a lot of talk often about having to deal with General Counsel's office and the complexities of thereof. I will again suggest it would be nice to actually see the agreement so people can crib because that's what lawyers do.

>> [Indiscernible] I have not seen this list that you were talking about, Suzanne, so I may be asking for something that's already there and in that case, fantastic, thank you. It would be great if we could see a combined list of rather than going in and seeing what is this steward providing but by title, what are the dates of the CFR's that are already being provided by how many people. What are the collections that are already being provided? So we don't have to just go in and see -- I'm thinking about the old -- in past years looking at the dissertation Registry digitization we had to go in project by project to see what was beaded as opposed to getting to see what's been digitized big picture rather getting a big picture sense of what's being covered, what holes are there that we can possibly fail, does that make sense? Been Suzanne [Indiscernible] there's another unit in GPO that's working on the inventory and how we are going to put it in with is going to go in the CGP or somewhere else. But as part of phase 2 of FDLP eXchange they will -- there will be eligible for [Indiscernible]

>> Regional discard is phase 2 of the FDLP eXchange will be tackling preservation steward as a pastry because we were not quite far enough along to have requirements for that. But we started talking about regional discard's we realized that there was a whole lot of managing these lists, there will be coming out of -- list coming out of CGP, list coming out of here and there and we had to put them together and figure out what might be eligible. We are creating in phase 2 are creating something where we are: the list from the cement from CGP, pulling the inventories from the preservation stewards so we know when we've got the four copies. You will have a combined view their. It will say we've got whatever title in these three regions but not this one. Did that answer your question?

>> We are working on a more complete inventory where we are going to put it and how we are going to do it.

>> Ren Bosman, UNC Chapel Hill. My comment goes back to the availability of the agreements. When we started conversations about partner -- partnering with Florida to be a preservation steward for [Indiscernible] Florida sent me their MLA so we can work from that rather than work from the template online so I assume those were shareable and I've been sharing our signed Emily with other libraries that have been asking. I suggest would be to contact one of the preservation stewards and asked to see their MLA were several preservation [Indiscernible].

>> [Indiscernible-Faint audio]

>> Short of -- short-term I think that would be one way to go ahead and do it.

>> Also this is [Indiscernible] to be a come you don't need to start the game yourself and your contact me and tell me you want to be a preservation steward I will write the agreement for you and send it to

bits on our conversation and the -- I don't expect anyone to write the agreement themselves, that is GPO's responsibility.

>> Halle Richard. Have a question about being a preservation steward in general. We are committed to keeping our print materials. We have this right a preservation steward but a good portion of our collection went to a fire is probably not something you want to preserve because we don't know the long-term impact of it. But is it permissible for us to agree to be a preservation steward contingent on swapping parts of our collection with another regional who wants to get rid of there's that we would take what they are getting rid of and get rid of ours which again is not something you want to preserve?

>> [Indiscernible] it's not something we considered but if you're interested we would be happy to help discussions with you and see

>> Since we do a ton [Indiscernible] swapping of things to me this seems logical. Why keep ours which again you don't know the long-term issues of smoke and he and what have you been someone else's who did not go to a fire or what have you is going to -- cost about stuff, not the good stuff.

>> -- Toss the bad stuff, not the good stuff. Spin Carmen, University of Kansas. I'm wondering if we could have a non-committal sense of how many regionals or even other libraries that might be in here who are actively at least in some kind of conversation to become stewards? I want to know how much there really is happening.

>> It's still a small

>> Reporter: In a way.

>> -- Is still a small percent in a way.

>> Bill, to Haiti's question when I was doing my inventory for one of my titles one of the things you're supposed to do is identify the condition of the -- item. For one of my titles I got to two volumes and I'm calling them fair. They almost border on poor, but they still qualify as fair. I would hope that you get to the point if somebody's discarding that title I could swap out good or I'd -- these collections are used, folks go I don't see where we are going to get would be classified as find unless somebody hermetically sealed their collection. But as far as I know the ratings are fine, good, fair and poor if I remember my rare books stuff? And if not I'm sure my spouse would smack me upside the head.

>> Lisa [Indiscernible] GPO. I want to point out that one of the things that we ask for in FDLP eXchange is the condition of the item so you can put your name in there and say you want certain conditions to help you identify something that's a better shape than what you have and I know this been some of the libraries that are trying to do a lot of discarding is going to double about that little bit because were asking for more information that we have in the past. But were trying to provide enough information that people can review it well and decide whether they want it or not.

>> Susan, a follow-up on that because you're a preservation steward and you have a gap in your collection or an item like bills that's maybe not the best condition and somebody is discarding one that's a better position, GPO will pay the shipping to get it to you.

>> Just out of curiosity and perhaps this is someplace I have not found, are we close to having more preservation stewards for anything?

>> Susan [Indiscernible] we are getting closer on the hearings, I talked to somebody else this week who's interested in the Northeast. So we are getting close but we don't have four of anything yet.

>> [Indiscernible]. I think that would be very helpful to put that out someplace sweet when they do fund raising at UTA that put this cheesy thing on the lawn that says this is what we want to raise and then all the football people coming in and see this it seems ridiculous, but it actually works because then you can say we are getting closer. We have these titles, we have two, three people, we just need one more, that might be something that would actually help this forward because again, I think be the first [Indiscernible] second person to do it but being the last person or last library to do it when the x-ray pushes this over the edge that could be a great set of. Else you think what's starts going this might start

the spec maybe needs a little discernment to get moving again but this up someplace so we can see the process.

>> [Indiscernible-Faint audio]

>> Lori, GPO. You guys ask for a lot really quickly. Come on now. In the [Indiscernible] Suzanne and Heidi are getting together after this meeting. And making too our collection development librarian to talk about promotional company marketing campaign for preservation steward to take it to the next step because of this initial year has been -- we are going slow but now all of a sudden [Indiscernible] turned up

>> I don't the quick Onslow. We have one that's not publicly announced in the new year got 11 preservation stewards

>> But now we are going to the marketing phase so now you all here she's been swamped so we're going to work with Kelly to come up with a marketing plan to do just that kind of promotion. And also back to Beth's question, we will check with General Counsel on that because I would suspect there may be but maybe not there may be some libraries that don't want to share their agreements. We need to -- it's a to the library that signs the agreement whether they wanted public but we will check and get an opinion from General Counsel.

>> Robin [Indiscernible] GPO. I want to share that when we go out to visit libraries we ask every library now if you are interested in being a preservation steward and the reason we do it is we actually walk through the stacks and identify something that in Indiana only a small number of library is going to have this historical regulatory set. Is not going to be across the whole nation more than likely anymore. It makes library so wanted and we do want them to play a role so we are very take the time to put the hand out in the hand of the director and say to the director we appreciate your participation. Would you be interested in hearing more about this and if you are, here is Suzanne's card. Yes, Suzanne, we love you. We've gotten really a pretty good response including a law library in a court that has the whole copy set as exist out of the North American Indian in perfect condition. Never used. I said you could either do an agreement with the public library down the street to have them housed there or become a preservation steward and so we will follow up with them to see if there's a more interest because I want to say we do hit everybody with it.

>> Lori, GPO. Ourselves pitch worked at Maine or your probably already thinking about it anyway so a little persuasion helped. I did not mean to imply that we were going slow because Suzanne is running on full speed it's just we had to work out some details on the preservation steward program since its a relatively new concept but we still have work to do. We are on the stump ourselves when we go out right, Robin?

>> We are past time and I know everyone is decibel he wanted to go upstairs to the rotating platform for drinks. But we have one more comment and then I think we will be done.

>> The present -- the [Indiscernible] it's usually I'm David [Indiscernible] GPO. And thinking about this I would offer another approach for people to remember that one of the important partnership categories is digital content contributors. So what makes regional discard work is that the content is in digital format on [Indiscernible]. So if you have if the regionals want to get together and compare what isn't on [Indiscernible] that they have a lot of in terms of a title that it's perfectly fine to work together to digitize that content, put it on [Indiscernible] then you get to throw it away.

>> We managed to get through the whole agenda. Thank you everyone for coming.

>> [Applause]

>> [Event concluded]