

Rethinking Resource Sharing Policies Committee Activities Update – May 2007

Manifesto for Rethinking Resource Sharing

- Posted online at www.rethinkingresourcesharing.org
- Publicize it

Needs:

- Press release. (Where? To whom?)
- Creating talking points w/ potential answers to difficult questions
- Get invited to conference programs/events for discussions
- How do we let the public know that libraries have changed/are changing?

Success Stories on the Wiki – in progress

- Encourage libraries to share stories that exemplify the principles in the *Manifesto*.
 - Stories can be posted directly or e-mailed using a link on the wiki
- Encourage library users to share stories of great resource sharing service
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Needs:

- Publicize the wiki availability

Assignment:

- Each policies group members review the 7 principles, look at professional network for examples of success and post at least one story on the wiki.

Facilitated Discussions about the *Manifesto*

- Hold discussions in all 50 states at state library conferences, among consortium membership, and at regional and local events.
- Use similar discussion questions to gather comparative input
- Create a facilitator's guide for use by anyone with an interest in holding a session
- Post facilitator's materials on RRS.org; results of discussions on wiki

Needs:

- Facilitator's Guide/Materials

***Manifesto* Endorsements**

- Seek endorsements of the *Manifesto*—individuals or groups can signify their endorsement in some way
 - By adding a logo to their website?
 - By adding their name to a list of others that endorse it?

Needs:

- Endorsement process and publicity

Future Roles/Activities

- Assist in creation of mass digitization policy
- Liaison with others to begin work toward overcoming some of the barriers keeping libraries from providing RRS-compatible services