2/14/2007
Meeting Minutes
Educational Portal Committee
Council of University of Arkansas Research Libraries (CUARL)
Members present: Elizabeth McKee (UAF), Heather Smith (UAMS), Paula Reaves (UAM)

Heather Smith was at UAMS in the Access Grid room and Elizabeth McKee joined via the grid from UAF. Paula Reaves joined by phone.

The meeting began with a discussion of prospective members for the committee. Dan Puckett (UAF) agreed to serve as an advisor for the committee. Mr. Puckett is a systems analyst employed by computer services at UAF. Ms. McKee has contacted Dr. Marta Collier from the department of education at UAF and Dr. Jan Dickinson from the department of education at UAFS to find out if they would be willing to serve on the committee also. Ms. Reaves agreed to contact the dean of the UAM School of Education to see if a person of interest can be found from UAM.

The first topic for discussion was the direction of the portal. All agreed that the prototype for the website should be uncluttered. One that we all liked was from Alabama and involved an acrostic of STEPS. Individual steps were pages for specific groups e.g. students, teachers, etc.

The second topic for discussions was the report which will be given to our liaison by March 1. The report should be divided into topics. As many links as possible will be included in the report. The committee will work through SharePoint to edit the report.

The meeting was adjourned after deciding that another meeting would be held on March 7 at 1:30 to include possible new members.