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#### **EDUCATION**

Master of Science in Library Science, Clarion University of Pennsylvania, Clarion, PA, 1986

**Bachelor of Arts in Art History and English** (Double Major), Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, 1985

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Technical and Automated Services**, Rutgers University Libraries, New Brunswick, NJ, June 1989-present

- **❖ Head, Central Technical Services Department**, May 2008-present
- Provide strategic direction for the acquisition and resource description of library resources in all formats through the management of seven departmental sections.
- Collaborate with faculty colleagues regarding library-wide planning, budgeting and policy development.
- Develop, implement, and maintain departmental policies and procedures.
- ❖ Head, Cataloging and Metadata Services Department, October 2004-May 2008.
  [Also served as Acting Head, Cataloging Department, July 1998-January 1999, when former Head was on sabbatical]
- Oversight of MARC and non-MARC resource description and database maintenance activities through management of six departmental sections.
- Developed and implemented departmental policies and procedures
- Promoted the Libraries' Digital Initiative through coordination of digital projects and by providing guidance and instruction in the use of established and evolving metadata schemas.
- ❖ Special Formats Catalog Librarian, June 1989-October 2004
- Supervised the cataloging of two full-time library associates who provided resource description for sound recordings, scores, visual materials, microforms, cartographic materials, electronic resources, and print monographs
- Collaborated with Public Services and Collection Development librarians to provide innovative and timely access to special formats materials with an emphasis on electronic resources by contributing original cataloging records for these materials to the Libraries' ILS and the RLIN and OCLC union catalogs
  - Head, Contact and Copy Cataloging Section and Special Formats Cataloger, September 1992-July 2000
     [Served as Acting Head, June, 1992-September 1992]
- Supervised the resource description work of seven full-time library assistants
- Coordinated pre-catalog searching and copy cataloging activities for the Libraries' ILS, and the RLIN and OCLC union catalogs

- Revised the copy cataloging workflow to transition staff from using paper work forms to cataloging directly online
- Provided original cataloging for visual materials, sound recordings, maps, microforms, and electronic resources

**Jackson Library,** Lander University, Greenwood, SC, August 1986-May 1989 **Assistant Cataloger and Reference Librarian** 

- Provided original and copy cataloging for resources in a variety of formats
- Provided reference assistance
- Taught bibliographic instruction courses and special courses by request
- Served as an academic advisor to students with undeclared majors

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

**Hall-Ellis, Sylvia and Mary Beth Weber.** *Contemporary Cataloging in an RDA Environment: A Handbook for Students and Practitioner,* Chicago: American Library Association, in process (anticipated publication date of September 2016), 850 pp.

**Weber, Mary Beth**. Rethinking Library Technical Services: Redefining our Profession for the Future, Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 2015, 220 pp.

**Weber, Mary Beth** and Fay Angela Austin. *Describing Electronic, Digital, and Other Media Using AACR2 and RDA: A How-To-Do It Manual and CD-ROM for Librarians*, New York, N.Y.: Neal-Schuman Publishers; London: Facet Publishing, 2011, 301 pp.

**Weber, Mary Beth**. *Cataloging Nonprint and Internet Resources: A How-To-Do-It Manual*, New York, N.Y.: Neal-Schuman Publishers, 2002, 379 pp.

**Fecko, Mary Beth.** *Electronic Resources: Access and Issues*, London: Bowker-Saur, 1997, 148 pp.

**Fecko, Mary Beth.** Cataloging Nonbook Materials: A How-To-Do-It Manual, New York, N.Y.: Neal-Schuman Publishers, 1993, 204 pp.

#### **Peer- Reviewed Articles**

Agnew, Grace, Dan Kniesner and **Mary Beth Weber**. "Integrating MPEG-7 into the Moving Image Collections Portal," *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*, Vol. 58, No. 9, 2007, pp. 1357-1363.

**Weber, Mary Beth**. "Factors to Be Considered in the Selection and Cataloging of Internet Resources," *Library Hi Tech*, Vol. 17, No. 3, 1999, pp. 298-303.

## Reviews

SPEC Kit 292: Institutional Repositories, July 2006, edited by University of Houston Libraries, Institutional Repository Task Force, Charles W. Bailey, Jr., chair, Washington: Association of Research Libraries, 2006, 174 p., reviewed by **Mary Beth Weber** in *Library Resources* & Technical Services, Vol. 52, No. 4, October 2008.

*Metadata: A Cataloger's Primer*, edited by Richard P. Smiraglia. New York: Haworth Information Press, 2005, 303 p., reviewed by **Mary Beth Weber** in *Library Resources & Technical Services*, Vol. 52, No. 4, October 2008.

*Becoming a Digital Library*, edited by Susan J. Barnes, New York: Marcel Dekker, 2004, 234 p., reviewed by **Mary Beth Weber** in *Library Resources & Technical Services*, Vol. 51, No. 3, July 2007.

Innovative Redesign and Reorganization of Library Technical Services: Paths for the Future and Case Studies, edited by Bradford Eden, Westport, Conn.: Libraries Unlimited, 2004, 480 p., reviewed by **Mary Beth Weber** in LIBRES: Library and Information Science Electronic Journal, Vol. 14, Issue 2, September 2004.

*Improving Online Public Access Catalogs*, by Martha M. Yee and Sara Shatford Layne, Chicago: American Library Association, c1998, 220 p., reviewed by **Mary Beth Weber** in *Library Resources & Technical Services*, Vol. 43, No. 1, January 1999, p. 60-61.

A.V. in Public and School Libraries: Selection and Policy Issues, edited by Margaret J. Hughes and Bill Katz, New York: Haworth Press, c1994, 110 p., reviewed by **Mary Beth Fecko** in *Library Resources & Technical Services*, Vol. 39, No. 1, January 1995, p. 101-102.

*Origins, Content, and Future of AACR2 Revised*, edited by Richard P. Smiraglia, Chicago: American Library Association, 1992, 139 p., reviewed by **Mary Beth Fecko**, in *College & Research Library News*, Vol. 54, No. 1, January, 1993, p. 82.

## **Presentations**

Weber, Mary Beth, "How to Mentor Others," July 22, 2015 and October 20, 2015 [two sessions], Webinar, LibraryLinkNJ.

**Weber, Mary Beth** [session moderator and introductory speaker], with Amy K. Weiss, Julie Renee Moore, Elyssa Sanner and Erin Boyd, "Is Technical Services Dead?: Designing Our Future," panel discussion at the American Library Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, June 28, 2015.

**Weber, Mary Beth**, "What's Next? And Other Publishing Mysteries," March 25, 2015, ALCTS New Members Interest Group Online Chat Session.

**Weber, Mary Beth**, "The Publishing Process: An Editor's Behind the Scenes Overview," ALCTS Virtual Symposium "Turn Your Idea into a Publication," January 14, 2015.

**Weber, Mary Beth**, "Publications and Publishing," December 4, 2015, ALCTS New Members Interest Group Online Chat Session.

**Weber, Mary Beth** with Erin Boyd, Eleanor Cook, Louise Ratliff, and Duncan Stewart, "Advocacy: What Does It Mean for Technical Services?," ALCTS E-Forum, February 8-9, 2012.

**Weber, Mary Beth** and Gracemary Smulewitz, "Triage in the Digital Age," Charleston Conference, Charleston, South Carolina, November 9, 2011.

**Weber, Mary Beth,** "The RUresearch Portal: Providing Customized Access for Specific Types of Data and Primary Users," LITA National Forum, St. Louis, MO, October 2, 2011.

**Weber, Mary Beth** and Christopher Cronin, "Preparing Your Library for RDA," ALCTS E-Forum, September 13-15, 2011.

**Weber, Mary Beth** and Gracemary Smulewitz, "E-Books Collections at Rutgers University," VALE E-books Collections Symposium, Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ, May 21, 2010.

**Weber, Mary Beth** and Gracemary Smulewitz, "Requests for Proposals: More Than a Contractual Agreement," VALE Annual Users Conference, Piscataway, NJ, January 8, 2010.

Agnew, Grace and **Mary Beth Weber**, "Building a Digital Cyberinfrastructure for New Jersey Education," PALINET 2008 Conference, Philadelphia, PA, October 27, 2008.

**Weber, Mary Beth,** "The Rutgers Workflow Management System," 2007 LITA National Forum, Denver, CO, October, 7, 2007.

**Weber, Mary Beth** and Sharon Favaro, "Beyond Dublin Core: Development of the Workflow Management System and Metadata Implementation at Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey," presented at the inaugural meeting of DigCCurr2007, an International Symposium in Digital Curation, Chapel Hill, NC, April 19, 2007.

Weber, Mary Beth and Lillian Gassie, "Creating Order from Chaos: Managing Electronic Resources in Unicorn," Unicorn Users Group International, Huntsville, Alabama, June 4, 1999.

**Fecko, Mary Beth**, Lisa German, and Judy Brugger, "The Pros and Cons of Cataloging Internet Resources," Computer Files Discussion Group, Association for Library Collections and Technical Services, Annual Conference of the American Library Association, New Orleans, LA, June 27, 1993.

**Fecko, Mary Beth** and Linda Langschied, "The Impact of Electronic Journals on Traditional Library Services," Sixth Annual Conference of the North American Serials Interest Group, San Antonio, TX, June, 1991 (two sessions).

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Library Association, 1986-present

• Association for Library Collections and Technical Services, 1986-present

## **SERVICE**

#### **Editorial Boards**

**Editor**, *Library Resources & Technical Services (LRTS)* [official journal of the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS), Appointed July 1, 2012-July 1, 2016

- Solicit content for the journal.
- Works with the Board and ALCTS Executive Director to develop marketing and communications strategies to promote the journal.

- Chair meetings of the LRTS Editorial Board at the American Library Association Annual Conference and Midwinter Meeting [twice yearly]
- Serve as an ex-officio member of the ALCTS Publications Committee to develop and promote ALCTS' publishing program and products.

**Editor,** *ALCTS Newsletter Online* [online newsletter that reports the news and activities of ALCTS and its members, and serves as the voice of the association], Appointed for two three year terms, 2005-2011.

http://www.ala.org/ala/alcts/alctspubs/alctsnewsletter/

- Solicited, edited, and wrote articles and announcements for the newsletter
- Coordinated newsletter production with the ALCTS publications specialist in the Chicago office
- Served as an ex-officio member of the ALCTS Board of Directors and attended all board meetings, as well as meetings of the ALCTS Publications Committee and the *Library Resources and Technical Services (LRTS)* Board meetings

**Editor**, Essays and Opinions Section, *LIBRES: Library and Information Science Research Electronic Journal* [peer reviewed electronic journal], 2008-present.

- Review unrefereed submissions on a variety of topics related to library and information science, including analysis, evaluation, applications, and research in the area of library and information science.
- o **Associate Editor** *LIBRES*, 1993-2008 http://libres.curtin.edu.au/

Refereed submissions for articles. Participated in the double-blind method of reviewing.

• Participated in development of policies, procedures, submissions, and special issues.

**Member**, Editorial Board, *MC Journal: The Journal of Academic Media Librarianship* [electronic journal], 1992-2002 (journal ceased publication in 2002)

• Regularly review educational videos and mediagraphies (bibliographies of various media materials) for inclusion in the journal.

**Intern**, Editorial Board, *College & Research Libraries*, 1993-1995

## **Professional Organizations**

# Association for Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS), American Library Association

Chair, Advocacy Task Force, 2011-2012

- Hosted an eforum on technical services advocacy
- Prepared a report on technical services advocacy that led to the development of the ALCTS Advocacy and Policy Committee.

Chair, Outstanding Publication Award Jury, 2011

**Member (Ex-Officio)**, Board of Directors, 2005-2011

Ex-Officio Member, Publications Committee, 2005-present

- Collaborate to develop initiatives to promote ALCTS' publishing program
- Plan and implement educational programs and training for new authors

Member (Ex-Officio), Membership Committee, 2005-2011

Member, Audiovisual Cataloging Committee, 1993-1997

- Chair, 1996-1997
- Committee Representative to the Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA), 1995-1996
- Intern, 1993-1995

**Co-Chair** with Anne Sandberg-Fox and Laurel Jizba, Computer Files Discussion [name has been changed to Electronic Resources Discussion Group], 1994-1996

Group

Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, Copy Cataloging Discussion Group, 1993-1995

State of New Jersey

VALE Bibliographic Control and Metadata Committee, 2007-2009, 2012-present

**Rutgers University** 

Elected Member, New Brunswick Faculty Council, 2008-2010

**Rutgers University Libraries** 

Member, VuFind Implementation Committee, October 2014-present

**Chair**, Libraries Futures Group [a mentoring committee for new tenure-track faculty], September 2014-present

Member, HathiTrust Task Force, 2015-

• Chair, HathiTrust Catalog and Discovery Working Group, 2015-

Member, RUResearch Team, 2010-present

Mentor, Libraries Faculty Mentoring Program, 2009-present

Chair, Approvals Vendor RFP Task Force, 2009

Standing Member, Libraries Resources Council, 2008-present

**Deputy Faculty Coordinator/Coordinator Elect (elected position)** 

2004-2006

Standing Member, Cyberinfrastructure Steering Committee, 2006-present

**Co-Chair**, Metadata Working Group, 2006-present

Chair, Task Force to Develop a Library Faculty Mentoring Program, 2005-2006

Advisory Committee on Appointments and Promotions Chair, 1998-2000 Appointed Member, 1996-1999, 2003-2005, 2014-2016

Scholarly and Professional Activities Committee (SAPAC) **Elected Member**, 1995-1998, 2000-2002

New Brunswick Libraries Multicultural Life Committee **Invited Member**, 1995

Libraries Faculty Secretary (elected position), 1991-1993

#### **AWARDS**

American Library Association, Association for Library Collections and Technical Service, ALCTS Honors, Awarded June 27, 2015 during the American Library Association Annual Conference in San Francisco for significant and lasting contributions to the profession.

American Library Association, Association for Library Collections and Technical Service, Presidential Citation, Awarded June 26, 2011 during the American Library Association Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA for six years of service as the editor of the ALCTS Newsletter Online, the official newsletter of ALCTS