

## **Library, Media, and Computing Committee (LMAC) Minutes October 30, 2003**

**In attendance were:** Bill Barry, Sigrun Bodine, Prairie Cutting, Karen Fischer, Peter Greenfield, Kent Hooper, Rob Hutchinson, Norman Imamshah, Elizabeth Knight, John Lear, Michael Nanfito, and Paula Wilson.

1. The minutes of the meeting on September 11, 2003, were approved to great acclaim.
2. Agenda items for the next meeting include collection development and paper versus electronic journals.
3. Karen Fischer, Library Director, has instituted a campus-wide trial of RefWorks citation and bibliographic software in order to determine if there is sufficient faculty interest to warrant purchasing a subscription. Peter Greenfield will send an e-mail notifying faculty of this trial, which runs from October 27-November 27. There will be a demonstration by a RefWorks representative on November 13 from 2:00-4:00 in Library 118 (drop in & leave as needed).
4. Elizabeth Knight, Science Liaison Librarian, demonstrated RefWorks and discussed its benefits:
  - It is web based; anyone in the campus community can access it.
  - Support is done by RefWorks; UPS librarians do not have to support it and edit the filters
  - It is designed for undergraduate students.
  - One can import EndNote information into RefWorks.
  - Go to [www.refworks.com](http://www.refworks.com) and select "user login" to begin using RefWorks.
5. RefWorks makes it easier to cite books, articles, websites, etc., properly. Karen Fischer compares it to students using calculators in math courses -- once students learn to do this work by hand, this tool allows them to create citations and bibliographies quickly and in the correct format.
6. The Write-N-Cite feature allows easy creation of citations and bibliography (in Microsoft Word documents) in specified styles (Chicago, MLA, etc.).
7. The next LMAC meeting will be Thursday, November 13, 2003, from 10:30-11:30.

Minutes taken by Rob Hutchinson.