

**Library Professional Development Committee
Report to NCC: January 2008**

Committee members: Cathy Chiu – UC Irvine, Maureen Donovan (co-chair) – OSU, Yasuko Makino (consultant) – Princeton, Sachie Noguchi (co-chair) – Columbia, Sumie Ota – NYPL, Eiko Sakaguchi (consultant) – Maryland, Keiko Suzuki – Yale and Mari Suzuki – Michigan

I. JSIST US Candidate Review:

The Japan Studies Information Specialist Training Program took place in Japan from November 25th through December 12, 2007. Four candidates (listed below) were recommended by the NCC after screening by the LPDC JSIST Screening Subcommittee chaired by Yasuko Makino (Princeton). All four were approved by the Japan Foundation and participated in the JF-NDL Training Program:

Hiroyuki N. Good (Pittsburgh)
Chiaki Sakai (Iowa)
Ken'ichiro Shimada (Maryland)
Tomoko Bialock (USC)

II. Tenri Workshop: (please also refer to: Tenri Workshop: A Report to NCC Board in August 2007)

The first year of The Tenri Antiquarian Materials Workshop for Overseas Japanese Studies Librarians (Tenri Workshop) took place from June 18th through June 22nd, 2007. The Tenri Workshop Committee for which LPDC Co-chair, Sachie Noguchi has been serving as a member, prepared a report on Year One to the Japan Foundation lead funder for the first year. The Committee also needed to prepare a funding proposal for Year Two and to explore other funding opportunities. North American participants were recommended to submit individual funding proposals to NEAC.

The Tenri Workshop Committee met during the EAJRS (European Association of Japanese Resource Specialists) annual meeting in Rome and discussed the strategy for the report and proposal, and assigned work to each members. In September, while Sachie and Izumi Tytler (Committee Chair, Oxford) were on vacation in London, they prepared drafts for the report and funding proposal to the Japan Foundation. The drafts were finalized by the UK Japan Group represented by Tytler and Hamish Todd (British Library) and submitted to Japan Foundation London Office. For this proposal, NCC wrote a support letter in which NCC expressed its willingness of again acting as the bursar for funds from the Japan Foundation earmarked for US participants and to provide advice to North American participants in writing their fund proposal to NEAC.