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The [SUNYConnect Advisory Council](#) is the designated group responsible for SUNY-wide library automation decisions. S.A.C.'s precursor was the Library Automation Steering Group. LASG, likewise had purview over SUNY-wide library automation issues. A relatively common misconception seems to be that LASG (and by extension S.A.C.) only focused on the Library Automation Implementation Program and LAIP's 40 SUNY libraries. That was never the case.

S.A.C. includes members from around the SUNY library world as well as representatives from the Academic Officers', Computer Officers', Telecommunication Officers' and Business Officers' associations and System Administration. The Chair of the group is Dan Schabert, Director of the Library and Learning Resources, at the SUNY Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome. Other members of S.A.C. are

Laura Cohen [SUNYLA rep] University at Albany

Peter Genovese Monroe Community College

Carey Hatch [ex officio] OLIS

Eleanor Heishman [vice chair] University at Binghamton

Macdonald Holmes [Academic Officers rep] College of
Technology at Cobleskill

Geri Linkins [SCLD Executive Board rep] Potsdam

Thomas Neiss [ex officio] SUNYNet

Pamela Peters [secretary] College of Technology at Delhi

Michael Pisa [COA rep] College at Oswego

Larry Randall [ex officio] OLIS

Maureen Zajkowski [ex officio] OLIS

Vacancy: SUBOA representative

The S.A.C. is currently involved in decision making related to implementation of the *SUNYConnect* LMS (ALEPH500). This involves the development of criteria for "hub" sites, implementation scheduling and development of policy and governance documents as well as of service level agreements (between different entities involved in making the *SUNYConnect* LMS a reality).

The OLIS would like to thank current and past members of S.A.C. (and LASG) for their efforts related to library automation services for the largest public university system.



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