SCO Conference Call

July 17, 2013
1:00-2:00 pm

Notes: Mitchell Brown (UCI)

Present: Sherri Barnes (Santa Barbara), Mitchell Brown (Irvine), Katie Fortney (CDL), Diane Gurman [for Angela Riggio] (Los Angeles), Susan Mikkelsen (Merced), Joanne Miller (CDL), Catherine Mitchell (CDL), Rhonda Neugebauer (Riverside), Katrina Romanowsky (CDL), Nancy Stimson (UCSD), Anneliese Taylor (UCSF), Jackie Wilson (CDL), Mary Wood (Davis)

1. Approving the June Minutes

The June 19, 2013 minutes were approved and will be posted to the website.

2. Announcements

i. SCO has a history of co-chairs. Every two years a member rotates off and Susan will be cycling off this year. Nancy Stimson will be the incoming co-chair in September. The committee thanks Susan for her service.

ii. A new ReadyTalk account from Irvine be used starting in August. The new access number will be added to agendas – Ready Talk: 1-800-740-1260 Passcode: 8249732

iii. Welcome to Katrina Romanowsky, the new eScholarship Community & Outreach Manager. Katrina will be working with to promote eScholarship, help add new campus departments, recruit new paper series, and serve as outreach coordinator to campus liaisons.

2. PLoS Recommendation Recap

Mitchell contacted Robin Chandler on June 19 to check on the status of the PLoS recommendation. Robin forwarded the recommendation to Sharon Farb (CDC chair) and Ivy Anderson to include in the CDC agenda June 21. With the transition of CDC to the new SAG structure the proposal will be taken up by SAG 1 in July.

Sherri shared the Master List of services and activities from outgoing systemwide advisory groups and which SAG is assigned to each. Anneliese was on the first SAG 1 conference call, where preliminary review of the UC Libraries Strategic Agenda for Shared Data Curation report began. The exact nature of the work to be done by SAG 1 compared to SCO has not yet been determined. The SAG groups will appoint Project Teams to work on specific projects, and there may be a role for SCO there.
3. eScholarship – Creative Commons license for journals

Katie described the proposal for eScholarship to require Creative Commons licenses for journals. DOAJ requires CC license in order to be listed. Katie shared a draft FAQ and requested feedback by Friday, July 19.

Diane Gurman (Los Angeles) was on the call for Angela Riggio. Response from journal editors at the UCLA campus was not positive. Editors were upset about the announcement to require CC licenses and that stakeholders were not consulted in the decision. They asked why only two options would be considered rather than the six CC options. They suggested an advisory board for eScholarship be formed for stakeholder input.

The communication on the change could have gone smoother. The outreach will continue with the FAQ and webinar to journal administrators on July 24. Catherine pointed out that CC licenses are required for journals that want to be listed in DOAJ. DOAJ recommends using CC-BY to receive the Seal of Approval but UC faculty may find the terms restrictive.

Currently three journals use CC licenses but all 60 eScholarship journals will be required to use CC. A question about allowing for authors or editors to choose the type of license would be difficult to management. The author agreement for each journal must define the type of license for the publication.

DOAJ criteria for inclusion is still in discussion. The requirement to have only CC-BY licenses is under discussion.

ACTION: July 19 - Feedback on Creative Commons license FAQ to Katie.

4. Reshaping Scholarly Communications website overhaul

With the UC Systemwide Open Access Proposal vote set for July 24, the Reshaping SC website will need referral information for the campus contacts. Catherine is confident that the Faculty Assembly will approve the proposal. Campus contact people will need to be identified.

CDL recommends having embargo and waiver request in place for each campus on the first day after the Faculty Assembly approval vote. There will need to be an infrastructure on each campus to provide documentation about embargo periods by publisher and journal, waivers for each campus with signatures by authorizing campus representatives. A FAQ on systemwide shared policy terms will be prepared.

Anneliese shared the experience from UCSF which worked closely with CDL last year to get a site for generating a waiver of the policy in place. In addition to being able to generate a waiver, embargo letter or addendum to the publication agreement, the library
and CDL mailed letters to publishers to notify them about the UCSF Policy. SF will share copies of their documentation with SCO and more information about this process.

Discussion about the implementation schedule within a week of the vote. Catherine will contact UCOLASC for input on the text from UCSF documentation as a model for other campuses. The letters will be used in the document generator used by UCSF (http://osc.universityofcalifornia.edu/openaccesspolicy/ucsf/) and will have an option for each campus. The signed documentation will be needed in order to create a reply to faculty requests for embargo or waiver.

ACTION: Have campus letters for embargo and waiver requests ready by Friday, July 19. Send to Catherine.

5. Office of Scholarly Communications proposal

The proposal to reinvigorate an Office for SC to support and respond to issues, website maintenance. The staffing would be from CDL personnel and working with SCO, SAG, and SLASIAC. The proposal has been shared with CoUL, who have commented and are considering the proposal.

ACTION: Each campus send the name and contact information to Katie and Catherine of a point person at each campus for the Open Access Pilot vote response.

Next call: August 21, 2013