Minutes of HOTS 1/9/06 Conference Call

Present:
Jim Dooley (UCM) Chair, Linda Barnhart (UCSD), Pat French (UCD), Tony Harvell (LAUC), Carole Kiehl (UCI, recorder), Lee Leighton (UCB), Sara Shatford Layne (UCLA), Patti Martin (CDL), John Riemer (SCP AC), Lai-Ying Hsiung (UCSC), Sharon Scott (UCR), John Tanno (SOPAG rep), Paul Wakefield (UCSF)

Jim welcomed Sharon Scott who is replacing Stefanie Wittenbach from UCR.

Schedule of next meeting:
Jim commented that Merced is buying an instance of online conferencing software which has been recommended by LTAG as an experiment. If the software is set up by then, our next meeting may be virtual. If not we will meet in Oakland as usual. Patti will arrange for a room for that eventuality. Date agreed upon is Friday April 21st.

ERMS report:
Patti asked how HOTS wants to be kept informed of developments. SOPAG is to announce campus reps for ERMS implementation team this month and some of these members will be HOTS members who can update HOTS on technical services issues. Patti will share the group’s minutes and documents with HOTS and Jim will share these with ACIG.
Patti updated the group that the formal contract is almost in place. Hardware and software is set up at CDL. CDL staff are soon to meet with ExLibris to coordinate operational setup – timeline for this is as yet unknown. The contract limits training sessions but the campus reps will be included in training.

SCP AC report:
John R. reported that
- SCP AC has completed a specs document for T793 subfield g usage. Bib records have been reissued by SCP. Purpose is to assist tracking the status of accessible content prior to the ERMS implementation
- SFX object IDs will be added to serial records matching on ISSNs. This is also to help with transition of information to the ERMS
- Group discussed strategies for capturing URLs for input into bib records of titles digitized in the Open Content Alliance’s work. SCP may distribute records
- Will begin working again on standards for cartographic bib records

BSTF report:
John reported that
- The Final Report was finished on Dec 21 and TF members are ecstatic
- SOPAG has posted the report to their page while they review it and consider how to develop the process for comments regarding the content of the document

Executive summary:
http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/sopag/BSTF/ExecSum.pdf
• There are very many suggestions for change in the document, which should provoke discussion and controversy
• Timeline for comments is as yet unknown. It is expected that after comments the Report will go back to the TF for implementation

HOTS considers this report very important and will discuss it in detail at upcoming meetings. HOTS will get campus and ACIG feedback.

CONSER Funnel Report:
Pat reported that
• A subgroup of SCP AC developed the proposal and will flesh it out. Valerie Bross, CONSER coordinator at UCLA, helped the group
• The survey shows wide interest in this proposal
• A meeting with Les Hawkins of CONSER is planned at ALA. The document has been positively reviewed within LC

Linda voiced a question/concern from Luc Declerck (UCSD) - does this pursuit parallel/conflict with issues from the BSTF Report? The BSTF Report aims to avoid redundancy in catalog maintenance but so does the intent of this proposal. The proposal represents a move toward systemwide cataloging policy and elimination of local variation. Pat noted that it will be difficult to stop local work. Carole commented that given the scope of the BSTF recommendations and the consequent length of time in implementation, this funnel proposal would provide for less duplicated work in the interim. The timeline for implementation is short if NACO is not included. NACO could complicate implementation due to training needs and workload. Some questions arose about the impact of Law Schools as NACO branches on different campuses.

Other Business:
Lai-Ying asked a question about whether HOTS members have any background information or knowledge that Melvyl has a linking strategy for all campuses using T035 in the bibliographic records for ILL. UCSC is experiencing wrong linking due to non-OCLC numbers in 001 being moved to 035 in Melvyl and tagged as (OCoLC), based on an old Melvyl loader specification requested by UCSC many years ago. There seems to be no standard specification required for formulating T035 in Melvyl and certainly no standard implementation by campuses on how to generate that tag in Melvyl during routine campus record submissions. Discussion ensued and concluded that it is likely a problem that Lai-Ying will have to consult with Melvyl staff about further.

Jim reminded HOTS that campus feedback on the CDL Guidelines for Digital Objects was due by Jan 15th

Group decided on a date for a possible conference call to discuss the BSTF from 3:30 – 5:00 on February 7th.