Library Technology Advisory Group (LTAG)

Web conference 7-18-05

Working Notes

Present:

1. UC Berkeley - Lynne Grigsby-Standfill
2. UC Davis - Dale Snapp
3. UC Los Angeles - Stephen Schwartz (chair)
4. UC Merced - Donald Barclay
5. UC Riverside - Terry Toy
6. UC San Diego - Declan Fleming
7. CDL - Mary Heath
8. LAUC/UCLA - Gabriella Gray

Absent:

1. UC Irvine - Diane Bisom
2. UC Santa Barbara - Larry Carver
3. UC Santa Cruz - Lee Jaffe
4. UC San Francisco - Heidi Schmidt

1. Welcome 3 new members/visitors

2. SOPAG Bib Services Task Force - Questions Take Two:

Consider the following questions in terms of system infrastructure issues, data management, integrated search and discovery, and workflow implications.

1. What major shortcomings do you see in the current bibliographic services and systems you use, in doing your work and in serving your users?
2. What would you consider the most important new capabilities for UC bibliographic services in responding to user needs in the future?
3. Do you have any user studies or other data documenting unmet user needs?

LTAG discussion:

A. All on one system
   i. Simplifies data integration and integrated search - cut the work of exchange and de-dubing and integration of data with CDL.
   ii. Economy of scale on hardware - needs analysis?
iv. Get agreement on cataloging and other metadata standards will be big challenge
v. Could we have central db and distributed circ to campus - as needed for local policies - acquisitions & serials
vi. This is not a performance issue anymore with improved Internet performance and reliability. Bigger issue is how responsive is the management of the servers. Technology is not a major issue
vii. How to pay for this - funding model?
viii. Campus accounting - ack. funds
ix. Integration with - ERM systems, SRX (UC eLinks), other search engines, Google Scholar, ILL management (with VDX) - may benefit

B. Harvest the data from existing systems and build new search engine?
i. Refresh or synchronize data at least daily, using e.g., OAI, DSpace and Google Scholar
ii. Keep using existing systems for feeder systems.
iii. Integrated search....meta search efforts face standards issues on unlike items. May need retro existing data to enable this.
iv. This may require radical change in current MARC structure. May need to start fresh...administrative and structural metadata needed.

3. Brief discussion of NCIP - NICO Interchange

VDX - Terry Toy and Diane. Mary H. will send update email on what the next steps are with Innovative.

4. Next Meeting: Sept 26 Monday at LAX

Hotel at LAX. Good to see each other - focused information exchange - meet new people. 10am -3 pm. In hotel lunch...some veggies...drinks (coffee and tea). Wired if possible.

Topics:

a. Scenario planning (see minutes of last meeting)?
b. CDL Service Layer Model - implications for campuses - Luc
c. New Campus & Library IT issues - Campus and CDL role call
d. Library Stats - What campus tools in use?
e. Next Meeting: Web Conference calls - at least 2-3/yr for at least 4 meetings total. Face time meetings could alternate north south.