Library Technology Advisory Group (LTAG)

April 3 and 4, 2001 Meeting

Present: Heidi Schmidt (San Francisco), Ralph Moon (Berkeley), Terry Toy (Riverside), John Vasi (Santa Barbara), Geri Ingram (San Diego), David Walker (UCOP), Diane Bisom (Irvine), Hannah Walker (LAUC), Gail Yokote (Davis), Terry Ryan (Los Angeles), Robert White (Santa Cruz, April 3 only).

Agenda:

- Wireless networking (with guests Cliff Frost and George Kaplan from Berkeley)
- Campus reports
- LAUC Questionnaire (Walker)
- CDL reports - including a discussion of proxy server support, PKI, and "the new Melvyl" (Walker)
- Pubmed Linkout (Yokote)
- Privacy task force (Ryan)
- Persistent identifiers (with guest John Kunze)
- Consortial borrowing system (with guest Mary Heath)
- Coordination and SOPAG items

Items for SOPAG:

Electronic Resource Management: There was an extended discussion about electronic resource management. While shared acquisition and cataloging issues have been addressed system-wide, there is a need for discussion about ongoing processing and maintenance of electronic resources. LTAG discussed several areas of interest/concern in this regard, including PubMed Linkout; troubleshooting access problems (proxies); campus efforts to organize electronic resource support groups and appointments of electronic resource managers; an interest in sharing best practices; methods of generating electronic resource lists (database-driven web sites). Apparently some years ago there was a meeting that included a wide cross-section of HOTS, HOPS, and HOSS representatives. It was suggested a similar meeting could have value now.

Communication Issues: LTAG members are not uniformly informed about activities that concern library systems groups. At our meeting, examples included PubMed Linkout and the consortial borrowing initiative. It was suggested that whenever a system-wide group is formed with CDLT representation, an LTAG participant should also be included. It was also suggested LTAG could coordinate reports about technical activities many UC libraries are engaged in, such as wireless network access, loaner laptop programs, formation of electronic resource management groups, etc.

Terry Ryan will communicate with LTAG members via email regarding the Privacy task group because there wasn't enough time for a complete discussion at the meeting.
LTAG plans to meet at UCLA in the fall.

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