Minutes
SCP AC Conference Call
Oct. 20, 2008

Attending: Valerie Bross, Becky Culbertson (recorder), Jim Dooley (chair), Sarah Gardner, Lai-Ying Hsiung, Elaine McCracken, Lisa Rowlison, Adolfo Tarango, and Holly Tomren. Absent: Sharon Scott

1. Announcements.

   --Lisa announced that UCB is mapping profiles and is part way in their migration to III. They expect to have their acquisitions system in March 2009, cataloging in April, and circulation in May.

2. Next Generation Melvyl—John Riemer

   --John reported that the Pilot will continue through December 2008. Since there is a delay in the programming by OCLC for the Request feature, the decision is still to be made as to whether the ending date of the Pilot will be affected.

   --OCLC is considering the addition of the following six fields to be added to the Local holdings record: Local note (590), Genre/form (655), Local personal name, local corporate name, local conference name, and uniform title.

   --Work is being done to determine the holdings symbols on the records in the RLF.

   --OCLC has set up a new WCL listserv. Subscription details are at: http://listserv.oclc.org/archives/oclc-wcl-1.html

   --There is also a new WorldCatLocal users group set up that will meet at the ALAs (in person) and virtually the other two quarters.

3. Report on Collaborative Approaches to Technical Services

   --Jim gave us his notes on a recent HOTS meeting. The ULs requested HOTS to recommend how to cut $48,000 from the SCP budget beginning July 1, 2008 due to a shortfall in the CDL fund that supports SCP. HOTs made recommendations for staff cuts that were accepted by the ULs. After receiving input from SCP, Ivy Anderson decided that, in response to the staff cuts, that SCP would no longer catalog CalDocs. The ULs then sent a request to HOTS to “pursue necessary planning for longer term SCP staffing levels and funding models to handle the workload.” HOTS responded by drafting a scope statement for SCP and sending it to the ULs. If it was accepted, the next steps were to be to make recommendations on funding and governance. At the same time, SOPAG was working on a proposal for increased collaboration in technical services and sent the ULs a document entitled: Adopting UC-wide Collaborative Approaches to Technical Services: a SOPAG Discussion Paper. The ULs discussed both documents and decided to ask SOPAG to draft a charge for a group or groups to examine increased collaboration in technical services including SCP. At this point it appears likely that SOPAG will
recommend a structure similar to that used for the implementation of Next Generation Melvyl: an executive team, an implementation team and a series of short-term task forces and working groups. SOPAG hopes to have a draft charge ready for discussion at the joint UL/SOPAG meeting in November.

ACTION ITEM: Talk to your local SOPAG representative and remind them to consider SCP when discussing funding models.


--An immediate question arose about setting up a way to handle request from non-participating campuses.

--If there are errors in harvested records, we will consider these as “maintenance on previously distributed records” and we will fix them upon notification.

--UC Irvine is firming up their procedures (as one of the five campus volunteers) for doing original cataloging of a portion of CalDocs.

5. SCP news

--The JSC priorities document has been sent out but no comments about it have come back yet.

--Adolfo discussed the linking problems with the China Academic Journals backfiles. Bie-Hwa is in China for three weeks and is hoping to spend time with East View and the National Library of China.

--Since, except for CalDocs, SCP is only distributing monographic records which have separate electronic records in OCLC, the question has arisen about whether it is necessary for SCP to continue using the term “SEPARATE” in the 599 field when distributing monographs in the future.

ACTION ITEM: UCLA and UCD will check with their technical personnel to see if this will have an effect on their loading of records. [UPDATE: Of the answers received, no one has had any objection].