Shared Cataloging Program Advisory Committee

Conference call: Tuesday, January 22, 2013, 2:00-3:00pm

Present: Trina Pundurs (UCB, chair, recorder), Sarah Gardner (UCD), Wanda Jazayeri (UCI), Valerie Bross (UCLA), Sarah Sheets (UCM), Jim Clark (UCR), Becky Culbertson (UCSD/SCP), Adolfo Tarango (UCSD/SCP), Elaine McCracken (UCSB)

Absent: Marcia Barrett (UCSC)

1. Announcements

Valerie: If you are planning to attend CONSER RDA bridge training at ALA Midwinter, please be sure you have signed up.

2. NGM Update (John Riemer, UCLA)

1. Bill Carney of OCLC will be leading multiple focus group meetings at ALA Seattle to determine how OCLC can better support shared print programs. I will be attending one on Saturday. Questions he has posed in advance include:

   Q: OCLC recently announced support for registering Shared Print holdings in WorldCat based on the Print Archived Metadata Guidelines. Through this service, libraries can disclose shared print holdings using OCLC Connexion or batch load/LHRUS to add the holdings to WorldCat, and manage resource-sharing requests through WCRS and/or ILLiad. How closely does this service meet your shared print needs?

   Q: OCLC will be looking at the feasibility of enhancing current services across the platform in support of shared print. What are the top three needs/functions that OCLC must have going forward to meet the needs of your shared print project?

Some of the input I plan to offer:

- OCLC needs to accommodate both the additive and the substitutive approaches to OCLC symbol usage.
- OCLC needs to review systematically all the different uses to which OCLC symbols have been over the years to discern how those uses do/don’t harmonize
- The WorldCat Collection Analysis tool needs to be made more flexible, robust.
- It would be ideal if OCLC could serve as the source of data that third parties need, e.g. information on print holdings needed from libraries by HathiTrust, information on WEST commitments to archive serial runs needed by Center for Research Libraries for the PAPR database.

If you have additional ideas before this weekend, please let John know.
2. Bill Carney has also shown renewed interest in a 3-year old proposal I put forward through CONSER on “Communal LHRs.” In that proposal any preservation actions of national interest to libraries, e.g. archival “commitments to retain” would be data-mined from 583 fields of LHRs and blended into a single LHR.

Some background info on the Communal LHR proposal:
http://www.loc.gov/acq/conser/PreservationActions.pdf
http://www.crl.edu/sites/default/files/attachments/pages/CRL%20Print%20Archives%20meeting%202010%2002%2022.pdf (see printed page 8)

3. SCP Update (Becky and Adolfo)

Adolfo: In the SCP monthly update sent last week, the link to the 2012q4 statistics is not working; they are trying to troubleshoot this. [Update 1/23/13: appears to be working now]

Becky: Currently working on cataloging IEEE titles.

Adolfo: Reminder to all that you may receive records occasionally where you have access to some but not all the links in the record. That’s why the text in the 856 lists the campuses that have access.

4. Action items for SCP from POT5 recommendations (Adolfo)

POT5 (Maximize effectiveness of Shared Cataloging) had two major components:
- Review the SCP record distribution process – Outcome: SCP will continue to distribute records (i.e. no changes from what is done currently). Update: campuses employ a variety of cleanup procedures; what can be done about this? Discussion may happen, but in a different group.
- Review the process by which cataloging priorities are set – Outcome: JSC reviewed recommendations, most of which were related to communications. The following recommendations were discussed:
  1. Quarterly reports on priorities prepared for JSC by Adolfo
     These will include both standing priorities (i.e. general categories) and project-oriented priorities (e.g. particular packages). JSC will review standing priorities annually in January. JSC also will solicit and consider feedback on priorities from bibliographer groups.
  2. Create FAQ page for SCP
     Adolfo will do this ASAP. Please send him any ideas for questions well-suited to an FAQ.
  3. Type and nature of communications from SCP
     Adolfo will write articles for CDLINFO to “demystify” SCP. Please send him any article ideas.
  4. Rename E-Resources Tracking page
     http://www.cdlib.org/services/collections/scp/tracking/erourcestracking.html
One new name under consideration is “SCP Packages and Cataloging Status Page.”
Please send Adolfo any additional suggestions.

5. Add a page on how cataloging priorities are set
   Will include priorities for the current quarter.

6. Publicize percentage of time spent on each standing priority
   This will be distributed by JSC when finalized. Be aware that due to volume,
   monographs occupy the highest percentage of time even though they are not the
   highest priority.

7. Solicit assistance from other campuses for e-resource cataloging
   This would not necessarily be restricted to SCP resources; Becky has suggested creating
   a “center of excellence” for e-resource cataloging akin to, for example, language
   expertise.
Adolfo will begin working on these in March.

Summary of action items for the Advisory Committee:
Please send to Adolfo any suggestions for
✓ SCP FAQs
✓ new name for the tracking page
✓ CDLINFO articles

Next conference call:
February 2013, date and time TBD