Systemwide Operations and Planning Group (SOPAG)
Minutes for Tuesday, January 30, 2007

Attendees: Bernie Hurley (B, chair), Gail Yokote (D) *new*, Terry Ryan (LA), Bruce Miller (M), Diane Bisom (R), Patrick Dawson (SB), Kate McGirr (SC), Luc Declerck (interim for S Starr Feb 19 – April 23), S Starr (SD), Julia Kochi (SF), Patricia Cruse (CDL), Mary Linn Bergstrom (LAUC, Recorder)

Absent: Lorelei Tanji (I)

1. Agenda Review:
   No items added. Order was changed to accommodate Trish Cruse’s early departure.

4. Report on CDL Related Items (Trisha)
   4.1 Melvyl: nothing to report
   4.2 Shared Services Projects
      • Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETD) meeting w/representatives from UCD, UCSD, UCSF and Julia as CDC rep, will be held at CDL on Jan. 31 to understand preservation needs and think about how campuses could work together. Attendees were invited because they are either involved in the presentation or interested in ETD issues.

3.2 SOPAG ERMS Implementation Team

   Trisha reported that there is good progress on this project and a Verde ‘sandbox’ is being implemented. She also asked for SOPAG’s input on the “Principles of the UC Electronic Resource Management System” document prepared by Heather Christenson. Review of this document prompted discussion on what skill sets are needed on Verde implementation teams, both centrally and on each campus. Diane asked to be sure that LTAG is included in these discussions. Bernie noted the similarity to outcomes from the recent VDX Workshop where it was recommend that people were needed for planning and all aspects of implementation: training, project management, assessment, communication, etc. This is an opportunity to apply implementation lessons learned from VDX to Verde.

   ACTION: Trisha will take SOPAG’s suggestions on the “Principles” document back to Heather C. and Patti Martin and extend our appreciation for their thoughtful work

   ACTION: Heather C. will make changes to the document. Bernie will distribute to the ACG chairs. SOPAG reps can share with ULs if they choose. Heather C. will complete synopsis of project and Bernie will distribute as an FYI to ULs.

2.6.2 RSC Report: Extending the VDX Task Force & Next Steps

   The VDX Task Force expired at the end of December 2006.
**ACTION:** Bernie will contact Eric Forte and extend the term of the Task Force by 60 days to allow Laine Farley, Patti Martin, et al, time to propose an alternate plan to replace the VDX Task Force and for SOPAG to discuss how to proceed at their February 23 meeting.

**2.6.1 RSC Report: VDX Workshop**
Discussion of the challenge of applying lessons learned from the VDX implementation to that project going forward, as well as to Verde. In preparation for the next SOPAG meeting we should consider the recommendations distributed from the VDX meeting organizers (D Bisom, E Forte, S Starr). Susan added that an ‘advocacy role’ was clearly important – someone either at the SOPAG or all-campus level should ‘own’ a project of this scale.

**ACTION:** Terry will send a link to a UCLA site that describes the defined roles in their sponsorship model: executive sponsor, functional sponsor, technical sponsor.

**ACTION:** Bernie will invite Patti Martin to the February 23 SOPAG meeting. The Feb 23, 2007 meeting will be a face to face meeting in Oakland.

We returned to the beginning of the agenda:

1. **Agenda Review**
Bernie welcomed Gail Yokote and Luc Declerck to SOPAG.

1.2 **Library Privacy Liaisons (LPL)**
This group was disbanded with thanks in Nov. 2006. Patrick and Bernie are working with Carol Hughes (HOPS chair) to move the appropriate LPL content to the HOPS website and selected LPL responsibilities to HOPS. The HOPS charge needs to be rewritten to reflect this change.

**ACTION:** Bernie will request a new draft charge from HOPS for SOPAG review.

1.3 **SOPAG liaison to HOTS:**
Luc Declerck was selected as the new HOTS Liaison.

**ACTION:** Bernie will contact Jim Dooley (Merced), the HOTS Chair, and notify him of Luc’s appointment.

2.2 **SCO Report: (Susan)**
In a conference call last week, John Ober reported that a UC wide task force is revising the policy [UC’s Open Access Policy] to state that faculty shall transfer rights and can take action to opt out of that arrangement. Campus review of this proposal will begin shortly. If approved, the new policy would take effect in Fall ’07. SCO plans to mount an education effort re: authors’ rights on campuses for librarians. SCO is following legislation requiring the posting of the results of federally funded research.
**ACTION:** Gail will give the SCO report for the next two meetings in Susan’s absence.

**2.3 HOPS Report: (Patrick)**

**LPL:** The LPL migration of content and responsibilities to HOPS is underway.

**UC-wide Chat:** HOPS is encouraging more campuses to participate in the UC wide Chat reference service.

**Mass digitization:** Bernie recalled that SOPAG was asked by the ULs to draft a charge to create an outreach document FAQ about our mass digitization projects, so that library staff would have consistent information.

**ACTION:** Patrick will distribute data on the number of Chat reference questions and questions by campus.

**ACTION:** Bernie will draft a charge for HOPS to generate an FAQ for staff to use in responding to questions about mass digitization. HOPS will be asked to consult with CDC and Robin Chandler at the CDL.

**Web Conferencing Software:** The web conferencing software tested by Bernie, Patrick and Bruce wasn’t found useful for the way our group interacts. ReadyTalk might be an option.

**ACTION:** Until SOPAG identifies other technologies that we might pursue, this item will be removed from the agenda.

**2.4 HOTS Report:**

Investigation of OCLC as a Union Catalog Data Single Ingest Stream. This item will be carried over to the February meeting.

**2.5 LTAG report (Terry):**

LTAG’s new Chair is Lynne Grigsby-Standfill from Berkeley.

**ACTION:** Terry will thank LTAG for the Next Decade Report, ask them to re-label the document as a White Paper and post it on the LTAG website.

**3. BSTF:** Will discuss at February meeting

**6. SOPAG Communications (Julia)**

Julia will report on the SOPAG website development in February.

**7. Copyright Support for University of California Libraries:**

On hold: As per Gary Strong’s communication to Bernie, the ULs are still investigating staffing solution, at this time.

**2.1 CDC report (Julia, for Lorelei)**

Following the January distribution of report “The Promise of Value-based Journal Prices and Negotiation,” CDC is being asked for comments on how the report was
received. Julia and John Ober are participating in the ULs’ meeting to discuss next steps.

2.1.2 **Newspaper Task Force:**
The report indicates that there is not as much overlap as anticipated. The report will be discussed further at the Feb. 16 CDC meeting and the Feb. 23 SOPAG meeting.

2.1.3 **RLF De-duplication Task Force**
Discussion of the Task Force report indicated a need for a clarification of the phrase “described to a box-list level” with regards to archival materials (Section B.2.2 of the report). Clarification of the sentence “Runs of serial titles where a shared prospective copy exists are proscribed” (Section 2.1) would also be appreciated. Does this apply only to runs where digital access exists?

**ACTION:** Bernie will ask CDC to discuss planned duplication and to advise SOPAG on how to move forward to develop policies and plans regarding planned duplication.

2.1.4 **Binding Task Force:**
**ACTION:** Bernie will send out the names of people recommended to serve.

**Next Meeting is February 23rd in Oakland**