

**University Librarians and SOPAG Meeting
May 4-5, 2006
Location: UC Riverside, Science Library**

Attendees:

UCB: Bernie Hurley (SOPAG)
UCD: John Tanno (SOPAG)
UCI: Gerry Munoff (UL); Lorelei Tanji (SOPAG, minute-taker)
UCLA: Gary Strong (UL); Terry Ryan (SOPAG)
UCM: Bruce Miller (UL & SOPAG)
UCR: Ruth Jackson (UL); Diane Bisom (SOPAG)
UCSB: Sarah Pritchard (UL); Patrick Dawson (SOPAG & LAUC)
UCSC: Virginia Steele (UL); Kate McGirr (SOPAG)
UCSD: Brian Schottlaender (UL); Susan Starr (SOPAG)
UCSF: Karen Butter (UL); Julia Kochi (SOPAG)
CDL: Dan Greenstein (UL); Trisha Cruse (SOPAG)

Absent:

UCB: Tom Leonard (UL)
UCD: Marilyn Sharrow (UL)

1. Agenda Review (ULs only)

2. RLFs

- a. The ULs discussed options for reducing duplication in the RLFs and optimizing collection management. The RLF directors will be charged to analyze the duplication of monographs within and across the RLFs, identify potential costs to withdraw the duplicates, and propose procedures and policies to govern the project. SOPAG will charge CDC to consider whether any policy changes should be proposed to the ULs, to restrict the nature of ongoing deposits to the RLFs.
ACTION: Leonard and Strong will charge Hurley and Carlton to conduct the analysis and report the results and proposals to the SLFB board by December 2006.
ACTION: Hurley will report the plans for the analysis at the June 9 RLF board meeting.
ACTION: SOPAG will charge CDC to evaluate possible policy changes related to RLF deposits.
- b. The ULs reviewed and amended the draft agenda for the June Shared Library Facility Board meeting.
- c. The ULs discussed the factors to consider in developing a plan for long-term allocation of available RLF space.
ACTION: Draft possible allocation models based on the factors discussed. Use of the regional facilities for shared projects and systemwide initiatives, other than storage of volumes, will also have to be factored into the models.
ACTION: Invite Larry Aull to a Fall ULs meeting for discussion.
ACTION: Collect data on long term space allocations.

3. Digital Preservation Update

Cruse reviewed the draft strategic plan and status report on the UC Libraries Digital Preservation Program (DPR). The DPR infrastructure is in place, at a production state, and content is being added. In order to sustain the service, CDL will propose an equitable recharge model that is simple to understand and administer, and encourages appropriate use of the DPR by UC Libraries. Campus libraries will make the curatorial decisions on what to deposit in the DPR, and CDL can expand service models as needed to support UL priority decisions. Since the DPR will not be a co-investment model but a recharge model, the CDL could possibly market this service to non-UC groups once the service is fully operational and meeting UC needs.

ACTION: Greenstein and Cruse will bring a proposed DPR cost model to the Fall UL/SOPAG meeting.

ACTION: ULs notify Greenstein if they know of activists in the data curation area who should be invited to a May 19 ITGC meeting on cyberinfrastructure.

4. SLASIAC Update.

Greenstein and Schottlaender reported on the joint meeting of SLASIAC and the Standing Committee on Copyright. In recognition of the major importance of copyright to the issues addressed by SLASIAC, a proposal will be made to make the Standing Committee on Copyright a standing subcommittee of SLASIAC. A subgroup of SLASIAC will conduct a census of scholarly communication initiatives on all of the campuses, and how they are funded. There will be a meeting this Fall of staff from the offices of the Graduate Deans, to discuss electronic theses and dissertations. The discussion of the proposed Senate policy on granting the University a non-exclusive license to deposit faculty articles in an institutional repository is ongoing.

5. Information Technology Guidance Committee (ITGC) Update.

Greenstein reported on the first meeting of the ITGC in April. The group identified a number of big issues and strategic opportunities and appointed a number of working groups to address them. The ITGC plans to visit each campus for open meetings with faculty and staff. The first campus visit was to UCI this week where three meetings were held, with good attendance and excellent discussions.

6. Shared Print Program Review

The shared print program is up for review and the ULs must decide whether to continue the program. To support that review, Dr. Abby Smith was commissioned to assess the program and make recommendations for the future. The ULs discussed the report and endorsed the concept of shared print as one weapon in our large arsenal of collection strategies

ACTION: On behalf of the ULs, Greenstein will thank Dr. Smith for her stellar work.

ACTION: Ivy Anderson will be asked discuss goals, objectives and priorities for the shared print program with CDC based on lesson learned from past projects and draft recommendations to the ULs for discussion at the Fall ULs meeting.

ACTION: Each UL will discuss the shared print program with appropriate staff on his/her campus.

7. Mass digitization update

Greenstein reported on the progress of the OCA digitization project. The scanning infrastructure is operational at NRLF and will be installed at the SRLF this summer. 1900 books have been digitized so far. At full production, the scanning sites should be able to scan 200 books/day over two shifts at each RLF. During this start-up phase, quality control mechanisms and procedures to deposit the content into the DPR are being established.

8. Bibliographic Services Task Force Report

Terry Ryan (BSTF member) presented an overview of the systemwide feedback on the BSTF Report. There was wide-ranging discussion on a number of issues raised in the report. The BSTF were commended for their work and effort in crafting such a timely report. There was broad endorsement of the spirit of the report and its vision in combining next generation discovery tools with workflow redesign to better meet the needs and expectations of users.

ACTION: Both the ULs Group and SOPAG will continue discussions about the issues in the report with a focus on priorities, process, and next steps. SOPAG will provide an analysis of possible next steps for the ULs' next meeting (September 06).

9. CDC's merged licensing principles document

Principles outlined in the "UC Library Investments in Transformative Scholarly Communication Models: Discussion Paper" from the UC Libraries Scholarly Communication Officers group were merged with the CDC "Principles for Acquiring and Licensing Information in Digital Formats" document (draft October 2004) by CDC members Lucia Snowhill, Ivy Anderson, and Gail Yokote. This revised version was vetted by CDC, SCO, and SOPAG, and discussed at the UL/SOPAG meeting.

Merger of these principles into one document establishes criteria that will inform decisions and help us coordinate between the various streams of collections: a) licensed content; b) shared print; c) digital preservation; and d) digital reformatting/mass digitization.

ACTION: The ULs approved the document with some amendments. After revision, it will be posted on the website, and sent to appropriate groups. It will also be sent to ALA OITP and ARL OSC offices to share back to the larger community.

10. CDC licensing scenarios

Julia Kochi (Chair, CDC TF Licensing Scenarios) lead a discussion of the report. There was group discussion on the usefulness of various indices for understanding the pricing of large journal packages based on both production costs and value. Value based pricing was of particular interest to the ULs and further work in this area should be pursued, including a communications plan for faculty.

ACTION: The Task Force was commended for their work and discharged. CDC will continue to discuss and refine the models presented in the report.

11. Staff support for copyright-related matters

Susan Starr (SOPAG member) lead a discussion on ways in which centralized support for copyright, combined with local expertise, would provide substantial benefits to Libraries in areas of advocacy, policy creation, and education.

ACTION: The ULs will charge Gary Lawrence (SLP), Sharon Farb (UCLA), and Julie Conner (UCSD) to develop various options and solutions by the ULs Fall meeting.

12. SOPAG/ACG Updates

a. RLF Persistence

The revised RLF Persistence Policy has been approved by the ULs. Julia Kochi (member, RLF Persistence TF) shared that campuses are being contacted about the RLF persistence project, and various documents will be posted on the SOPAG website soon (FAQs, Definitions, Guidelines).

ACTION: The RLF Persistence Policy will be added as a consent item on the next SRLF Board agenda.

b. ERMS Implementation

Trisha Cruse and Dan Greenstein gave an update on the ERMS Verde implementation.

c. E-Resources for Alumni & Affiliates

Trisha Cruse reported that the negotiation for the e-resources package for alumni, friends, and affiliates is still in-process.

d. Scholarly Communications Officers' Faculty Outreach Charge

Susan Starr (co-chair, SCO) presented an update on the various activities of SCO, including the development of tool kits for librarians to assist with outreach activities related to the white paper topics of copyright, economics of publishing, and the role of scholarly societies.

UCLA Library is hosting a one-day workshop "Implementing and Managing a Scholarly Communication Program: The University of California Libraries as a Case Study" on 15 July 2006 following the ARL/ACRL Scholarly Communication Institute. Many SCO members will be serving as panelists.

e. Information Literacy Workshop

Patrick Dawson reported that plans were progressing for the HOPS Information Literacy Common Interest Group's Information Literacy Workshop approved by SOPAG. The workshop will take place on 10 August 2006 at UC Irvine.

ACTION: SOPAG members (coordinating with HOPS colleagues) are identifying attendees to this workshop, which will be based on the usual UC campus library workshop attendee formula.

f. Collaboration with California State Library

John Tanno reported progress on two issues: i) CSL agreed that UC could retain one copy of state documents within the system rather than needing to keep multiple copies; ii) CSL is interested in a joint digitization project with UC on the Governor's Executive Orders.

g. Charge on Digital Reformatting

Bernie Hurley shared that the charge on digital reformatting will be addressed after more experience has been gained from the Open Content Alliance project.

13. Miscellaneous announcements from Gary Strong

-UCLA was awarded the NLM Regional Medical Library contract again.

-UCLA is hosting a Rare Book School and there are still openings in the some of the courses.