SOPAG Minutes
Systemwide Operations and Planning Advisory Group (SOPAG)
Conference call, Friday, 9 May 2008, 1:00-4:00

Present: Gail Yokote (UCD), Lorelei Tanji (UCI, Chair), Terry Ryan (UCLA), Bruce Miller (UCM, recorder), Diane Bisom (UCR), Luc Declerck (UCSD), Julia Kochi (UCSF), Patrick Dawson (UCSB), Kate McGirr (UCSC), Trisha Cruse (CDL), Mary Linn Bergstrom (LAUC)
Absent: Bernie Hurley (UCB)

1. Agenda Review & Announcements (Lorelei)
Reminder: mark dates of availability for future meetings on wiki

2. All Campus Group Reports

2.1 CDC Report (Julia)
Reviewing SCAP databases that could be reviewed from SCAP funding. Postponing immediate review of Tier 1 because too big to do within short time frame.

2.2 SCO Report (Gail)
SCO Job Description (5/9/08) "Scholarly Communications Support Specialist", temporary position. Emphasis on keeping task set reasonable for part time position. Don't make "ALA accredited degree" a requirement. Specify progress and final reports. Salary commensurate with experience. SOPAG endorses draft in principle with revisions from discussion. Gail will finalize with SCOs. Gail and Lorelei will prepare transmittal letter to Gary Lawrence for ULs discussion. Emphasize urgency. Note that CDL has $25,000 to apply to salary, but that additional funds will be needed. Ask ULs to provide specifics re salary, travels expenses, and length of appointment (6 months minimum preferred). If not funded, will have to rely on grass roots efforts on each campus.

2.3 HOPS Report
2.3.1 A Charge for HOPS on Public Services (Lorelei)
Discussion: comparison of impact difference between "improved content delivery" and "ubiquitous reference services". SOPAG endorses both proposals. Lorelei will draft transmittal memo to ULs. Note that improved content delivery is closely tied to Next Generation Melvyl pilot

2.4 HOTS Report (Luc)
Planning underway re long term SCP staffing levels and funding models to handle workload. Discussion re issues associated with cataloging of shared print materials; recommendation that related CDC planning include HOTS representative. Emerging consensus that master institutional records should not be used, preference to use OCLC master record. Updating resource directory of language and specialized cataloging expertise in order to explore more collaborative technical services opportunities. SOPAG discussion re consortium approaches to technical services and strategies for exploring the topic. Luc and Gail will draft discussion document.

2.5 LTAG Report (Terry)
Recent productive meeting, no minutes yet. Will provide panel for UC computer services conference re remote access and identity management with focus on library requirements. SOPAG discussion re recent UCTrust activities. Ask LTAG to review related UC and national activities and recommend action to SOPAG
2.6 RSC (Gail)
Recent conference call to brainstorm planning for proposal for emergency preparedness workshop.

3. A Structure for Implementing UC Libraries Collaborative Projects? (Kate)
Rename topic to better reflect project management and training focus.

4. e-dissertations (Trisha)
No report.

5. Task Force Reports

5.1 Bibliographic Services Task Force (Terry)
Day 1 is set for 19 May for Next Generation Melvyl roll-out, lots of testing. Sorting out performance anomalies.

6. Digital Library Workshop (Luc, Julia, Trisha)
Debrief conference call: discussed notion of pilot, observed lack of systemwide view of collection for print publications which suggests difficulties in developing a common view for digital collections. There is clear interest in better knowing what each library is doing in this realm. Discussion re options for sharing information. To be discussed further.

7. Report on CDL Related Items (Trisha)
Google API is working well. Training for MDID (mass digitization identification database) will be offered; Trisha will send info.

8. Systemwide Library Planning (Trisha)
Establishing a cyberinfrastructure taskforce re support for digital scholarly information; will report to SLASIAC. CDL UL recruitment still underway.

8.1 ULs charge to SOPAG re statistics for digital and shared collections (Lorelei)
Will focus on charge at June meeting to develop strategy for response. Gary Lawrence will send background information.

8.2 Systemwide Strategic Directions for Libraries and Scholarly Information at the University of California
OK to share with CDC.

Add Susan Parker. Replacement for Patrick to be determined.

10. Agenda items from SOPAG for ULs meeting (May 28)
Noted as action items above.

11. Future meetings: June 6, 9:30-2:30 (Gail, notetaker)

12. Ad hoc addition to agenda: SOPAG liaisons
Diane will replace Terry as liaison to LTAG
Determine HOPS liaison at next meeting.