Systemwide Operations and Planning Advisory Group (SOPAG)

Minutes: 10 September 2004, Oakland, Kaiser Building, Room 612

Revised 9/20/2004 (Item 6.3)

Present: Patricia Cruse, Tammy Dearie, Bernie Hurley (chair), Julia Kochi, Kate McGirr, Bruce Miller (recorder), Phyllis Mirsky, Marilyn Moody, Terry Ryan, Lorelei Tanji, John Tanno

Guests: Peter Brantley, Laine Farley

Absent: Stefanie Wittenbach

Bernie Hurley, incoming chair, thanked John Tanno for his service as chair. Tammy Dearie and Phyllis Mirsky, whose appointments end after this meeting, were thanked for their service.

1.0 Task Force on Visual Resources: next steps

Documents:

- Summary of comments on the report with annotations by Farley regarding the Image Demonstrator project, email, Farley, 5/3/04
- Revised report, 8/26/03, http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/sopag/vrtf
- Questions regarding visual resources, email, Hurley, 6/23/04; email, Mirsky, 7/1/04
- Images: factors in flux, email, Tanno, 9/1/04
- Image Demonstrator Project Status Report http://www.cdlib.org/inside/image

Laine Farley and Peter Brantley provided an update about CDL image services. Four types of repositories were posited:

- "Luna-class" – permits detailed examination and manipulation of images
- Preservation – storehouse for highest quality image with very limited access
- "OAC-class" – user directed and provides access to images as illustration
- External licensed content (AP Photo Archive)—how to make these resources known to users

Discussion identified the issues that users need union access and that segregation by technology limitations might become moot as tools evolve. The goal is access to what appears to be a single repository and a suite of tools to fulfill varied usage needs. Process of content decisions was discussed, including the need to involve CDC. Rights management processes are developing.

Action: SOPAG will determine UL commitment to high end image services in support of research and instruction, policy regarding the ingestion of personal (faculty) image collections, and guidance for interaction of CDL staff with campus instructional groups.
Hurley will draft a memo to the UL’s to be reviewed by SOPAG, Farley, and Brantley prior to transmission. Cruse will send information to SOPAG regarding the rights management framework.

2.0 SOPAG Electronic Resource Management System Task Force

Documents:

- update, email, Hurley, 6/14/04
- appointment and charge, email, Tanno, 4/14/04

The task force is working on definitions of consortial requirements, data elements, functionality, views, data flow, integration with SFX and cataloging systems, and the role of SCP. The task force report will be completed soon.

3.0 All Campus Groups – updates from liaisons

3.1 CDC (Mirsky)

3.1.1 HOTS response regarding shared print collections pilot information in local catalogs

Documents: email, Carole Kiehl to Cindy Shelton, 7/19/04

Action: The recommendation was accepted that we forego adding shared print collection pilot holdings to local catalogs. This implies that CDL will not provide programming for individual campuses that wish to add these holdings to their catalogs.

3.1.2 Principles for collaborative collection development

Documents:

- charge to CDC, email, Tanno, 5/21/04
- draft principles for acquiring and licensing information in digital formats, CDC, 08/04

The document was reviewed. Questions were raised regarding authentication and related privacy issues.

Action: Mirsky will take the comments to CDC for incorporation in the document.

3.1.3 Shared print advisory group - SLP, CDL, & SOPAG task forces

Documents:
o email discussion among SOPAG members

Action: This is an SLP-initiated activity that Nancy Kushigian will finalize with Dan Greenstein.

3.2 HOPS (Moody) – No action to report.

3.3 HOTS (Miller)

3.3.1 HOTS suggestion re the expansion of SCP responsibilities

Documents:

o email, Carole Kiehl forwarded by Tanno, 7/19/04

The proposal is to expand SCP responsibilities to include formats other than electronic. Discussion articulated the change inherent in the area of shared print collections: shared print collection proposals in development, UCSD SCP undergoing self review, shared physical collections might not be at UCSD (i.e., convenient to that cataloging group).

Action: SOPAG accepts in principle the guidance from HOTS. Given that CDL has a management role for the SCP, Hurley will refer the proposal to Beverlee French for feedback.

3.3.2 HOTS proposal for classification of SCP electronic monographs

Documents:

o email, Tanno, 9/1/04

HOTS has proposed a pragmatic approach managed by the SCP AC to adding classification as an access point for electronic monographs.

Action: SOPAG endorses the principles expressed in the proposal. Given that CDL has a management role for the SCP, Hurley will refer the proposal to Beverlee French for feedback.

3.4 LPL (Kochi)

Documents:

o Annual report and goals for 2004/05, 6/14/04

LPL plans to meet in the fall.
3.5 LTAG (Ryan)

Documents:

- question about registry of UC library developed software, email to Terry Toy from Tanno, 7/6/04
- minutes of 06/22/04 meeting

LTAG is working on efficient and effective processes for sharing UC library developed software. LTAG will meet in the fall.

3.6 RSC (Dearie)

3.6.1 VDX implementation task force

- Documents: UC VDX implementation task force, 8/11/04

Members have been selected for the VDX implementation task force; the group will meet in the fall.

3.6.2 Interlibrary loan of media

- Charge to investigate the sharing of media collections, email, Tanno, 7/28/04

Membership is under recruitment for the group to investigate the sharing of media collections.

3.7 Joint Meeting with ACG Chairs (October 29th) (SOPAG)

Documents:

- Annual SOPAG/All Campus Group chairs meeting and Role of All Campus Groups ACG’s), email, to ACG Chairs from Tanno, 6/21/04 Role of All Campus Groups ACG’s)

3.8 Duration of Service on ACG’s, LAUC Representatives, and Chairs (Hurley, Tanno)

Action: Tanji will be CDC liaison. Susan Starr will be RSC liaison. Hurley will update the SOPAG roster and associated web pages.

4.0 Report on CDL Related Items (Cruse)

4.1 CBS/Request/Desktop Delivery – update
VDX implementation status: A VDX Implementation web site
http://www.cdlib.org/inside/projects/request/vdx/ has been established; the site includes

- status information
- documentation
- links to statistics,
- links to information on other VDX implementations

Version 2.7 of the VDX application was installed on 8-22. Even though this version had been pretty thoroughly tested beforehand by ILL staff, some problems did occur in the first two weeks that seemed to relate the size and usage load on the system. CDL was able to minimize the downtime relating to these problems, and worked with Fretwell-Downing staff to resolve the problem. It appears that the problems may have been caused by the use of an older, less stable version of the underlying web server. That web server has been upgraded and the problems have so far not recurred.

Version 2.7.3 will be installed into the test instance later this month. CDL will try to arrange a load test of this version before it is moved to production.

Creation of the VDX Implementation Team is in progress and a listserv is being set up to facilitate communication among the group.

CDL is negotiating another half-time campus ILL expert to assist ILL staff with implementation of VDX. It is hoped that this can be announced soon.

CDL staff continue to work closely with Fretwell-Downing to resolve questions and issues with new features of VDX. An FDI technical staff person will be providing two days of on-site assistance to CDL in October.

4.2 MELVYL - update

Documents:

- Uniform title update, email, Cruse, 4/1/04
- email, Cruse, 6/17/04

- The UCLA reload is on track and the switch in to the newly reloaded database with UCLA's new records will take place on September 26. (Just for your recollection: The database that gets switched in on Sept 26 should match the content of the database that gets switched out, that was "frozen" on August 28. Once the "switchin" happens, the Melvyl Team will load the updates that have come in since Aug 28, asap, and then the accumulated records for UCLA which represent their updates since they sent us a snapshot to begin the process in July.)
The Melvyl team will begin to develop a process for the "UT sort project" which will get set up once the dust settles on the UCLA Reload and subsequent additional catch-up loading. In addition the team will begin planning for the upgrade to version 16.

4.3 Link resolver planning status - 8 September 2004- update

The PURL server was moved to new hardware and a failsafe environment in June.

The Link Resolver Planning Team met in San Diego in early August and identified a two-pronged approach for moving forward:

- CDL will develop a link resolver that will handle PIDs, ARKs, OpenURLs, and other identifier schemes for electronic resources
- CDL and SCP will explore the use of OpenURLs versus PIDs and develop guidelines for when to use both

The team is due to meet soon via telephone conferencing.

4.4 JSTOR - update

Documents:

- draft - Overview of JSTOR shared print characteristics and proposed collection behaviors, 7.25.04

Information from the campuses about the potential titles for JSTOR is due 15 October.

The UL review of the draft contract has been completed. Nancy Kushigian is writing the position description for the JSTOR manager.

4.5 Metasearch Infrastructure Project

Documents:


Discussion brought to mind the need for experiments to be reviewed prior to the move to production status in order to facilitate smooth transitions and informed understanding by library staff.

4.6 Office of Scholarly Communications

- the eScholarship Seminar Series has been launched. It is a new service for UC faculty in the eScholarship Repository. The service allows faculty to manage their seminars, lecture
series, and colloquia with ease, greater visibility, and with a persistent home for the full-
text seminar papers. <http://repositories.cdlib.org/escholarship/>

- First meeting of the academic council's Scholarly Committee on Scholarly Communication was held 8/25. Chairman Larry Pitts is attempting to identify and organize the group into working groups focused on specific issues for further investigation and, potentially, recommendations.

- OSC website launched. http://osc.universityofcalifornia.edu is available but has not been widely announced. Aimed at faculty, it contains background information, some advocacy statements, and pilots two services: a lookup table on cost, impact, and use of 3,300 journals (from Elsevier, Springer/Kluwer, Nature, Blackwell); some suggested language for modifying publication agreements. It will link to the libraries' scholarly communication program and priorities.

- The library scholarly communication officers (SCO) will have their first meeting on Sept. 16th. There's a packed agenda that concentrates on making progress on the ULs' scholarly communication program and priorities. One point of intersection with SOPAG relates to the refreshed selection principles from CDC.

5.0 Systemwide Library Planning (Cruse)

5.1 Strategic directions document – No Action

5.2 Systemwide Planning Consultation Needs and Methods

Documents:

- Strategic and operational consultation needs for the CDL and SLP: Discussion Paper for University Librarians, 4/29/04

Digital library services advisory group charge (version 4.0, 9/9/04) was presented to SOPAG for comment. This is a small advisory group to the CDL that will meet the immediate need for planning and operational advice on development and support of shared services. Farley and Brantley will co-chair the advisory group. CDL program managers and directors will be closely involved and will help set the agenda. Campus membership will not be representative, but will represent; digital library services, technical services, public services and collection development. This is a shared services group that will work closely with SOPAG to insure coordination and communication.

6.0 Shared Collections - Government Information - update (Moody)

6.1 Government Information Workshop—Update (Moody)

Documents:
The new government information landscape: UC opportunities for shared collections and collaboration (7/27/04), email, Moody, 7/19/04

Planning is underway for the workshop to be held on 28 October.

6.2 Proposal to develop digitization centers at the RLF’s for government information and other shared print collections

Documents:

- Investigation of a high volume digitization infrastructure (charge), to Barclay Ogden from Tanno, 7/7/04
- Investigation of a high volume digitization infrastructure (report), Ogden to Tanno, 9/2/04

The report was well received. Discussion focused on suitable experiments.

Action: Hurley will ask CDC and HOPS for input for potential content for an experiment that could be recommended to the ULs

6.3 Print collection planning: possible collaboration with the State Library

Documents:

- UC shared print collection planning for government information, email, Tanno, 6/15/04

FYI, a meeting has been set for 15 September with John Jewell and representatives from SOPAG and the steering committee on government shared collection.

7.0 SOPAG at LAUC Fall Assembly - Discussion (SOPAG)

Documents:

- LAUC Fall Assembly Program Concept, email, Hurley, 8/31/04

Because the focus of SOPAG is on implementation of vision statements from the UL’s, the proposed agenda topic does not fit well with the SOPAG domain.

Action: With further input from SOPAG members, Hurley will draft an alternate proposal to LAUC that suggests we focus on recent agenda topics.

8.0 Electronic dissertations (Tanno)

Tanno asked if e-dissertations were yet required on any of the campuses. There are some pilots of e-dissertations on the campuses, but in general the libraries still require a paper
copy for archival purposes. The capability of the Digital Preservation Repository to manage e-dissertations will likely change the requirement by the libraries for paper copies.