Joint University Librarians/SOPAG Meeting Minutes
November 30, 2006

PRESENT
University Librarians:  Tom Leonard (B), Laine Farley (CDL), John Tanno (D), Judy Kaufman (I), Gary Strong (LA), Bruce Miller (M), Diane Bisom (R), Patrick Dawson (SB), Virginia Steel (SC), Brian Schottlaender (SD), Karen Butter (SF)

SOPAG:
Bernie Hurley  (B, chair), Trisha Cruse (CDL), John Tanno (D), Lorelei Tanji (I), Terry Ryan (LA), Bruce Miller (M, recorder), Diane Bisom (R), Patrick Dawson (SB), Kate McGirr (SC), Susan Starr (SD), Mary Linn Bergstrom (SD, LAUC), Julia Kochi (SF), Gary Lawrence (SLP, for copyright agenda)

1. Mass Digitization
Google: CDC has recommended members for the CDL Mass Digitization Advisory Committee. Scanning production is about 2,000 books per day and will soon increase to 3,000 per day. About 25,000 books have been sent for scanning to date.
OCA: Over 17,500 titles have been scanned to date. UC Berkeley and CDL are managing quality control oversight. Quality appears to be good.
ACTION: SOPAG will charge HOPS to develop an FAQ about the projects and mass digitization in general in support of a consistent message for use by each campus library.

2.a SCOs: Faculty Outreach Charge & Communication Plan
Discussion of the draft report and proposal concluded with consensus approval.
ACTION: SOPAG will formally thank SCO for fulfilling SOPAG’s charge on Faculty Outreach. SCO as a group as well as each campus library will initiate action steps based on this plan and the librarian outreach toolkits developed by SCO.

2.b RSC—VDX Meeting
The goal of this meeting, initiated by SOPAG, is to review our implementation processes to gain information that will lead to improved processes for the future. The focus is on the process we use to coordinate systemwide projects of this type rather than VDX itself. Progress report: no action required.

3.a Bibliographic Services Task Force
The ULs and SOPAG discussed progress to date in moving the BSTF agenda forward.
ACTION: Tom Leonard will provide the ULs with a draft communication regarding BSTF plans and progress to be used at the campus libraries and the CDL.

3.b SOPAG ERMS Implementation Team
ExLibris’ ERMS implementation is still behind schedule, but CDL assessment is that sufficient progress has been made to continue testing and implementation for the moment. ExLibris has hired a new product manager who ensured CDL staff that ExLibris has the commitment to implement the Verde product. Version 2.0 will be
installed in test mode in December. If the test is successful, 2.0 will be moved to production mode. Current assessment is that 2.0 has sufficient functionality to meet our basic needs.

3.c Copyright support for University of California Libraries
Lawrence reported, on behalf of the Copyright Support Task Force, that Systemwide Academic Affairs will add staff in support of policy issues affecting scholarly communication, including intellectual property. This additional support for the Provost should provide some staff support for library copyright issues.

ACTION: There is UL and SOPAG support for creation of a UC Libraries administrative advisory group that would be convened and overseen by the central staff. No action will be taken until more information is available on the type of staff support that will be available from Systemwide Academic Affairs.

4.a CDC Scenarios Development Task Force: value based pricing—roll-out strategy
Nominal editorial edits have been suggested for the support of CDC’s value based strategy documents.

ACTION: The content was fully endorsed by the ULs and SOPAG

ACTION: CDC will release to Library staff shortly before the formal press release in January.

4.b HOPS Digital Reference
The digital reference program began on 5 November. During the first three weeks, about 50 hours of service were provided per week. 304 questions were handled. This program will continue with additional data gathering.

4.c LTAG Next Decade Report
The report was self-initiated by LTAG and has been discussed by SOPAG and the ACG chairs. It is a white paper that can be seen as complementary to the BSTF report. The ULs and SOPAG commend LTAG for taking the initiative to author this white paper.

ACTION: Ryan will propose that LTAG label the document as a white paper to help clarify the context.

4.d California State Library Collaboration
There have been ongoing discussions over a period of several years regarding possible collaboration between UC and the CSL with a focus on archival maintenance of government information. CSL is charged to maintain the archival copy of record for California state documents. CSL is charged to maintain the last circulating copy of Federal documents. The State Archive plans to digitize the Governor’s Executive Orders. The current area of concern is for archival preservation of web-based publications. CSL is essentially unable to respond to this need, and UC government information librarians have been tackling this problem piecemeal in an effort to save as much as possible.
**ACTION:** There is support for additional pilot web archiving in which CSL provides staff action and UC provides technology support and data access and storage. SOPAG will pursue this initiative.