

Minutes of the Joint UL/SOPAG Meeting
Thursday, May 31, 2007
Oakland, CA

Present:

University Librarians: Tom Leonard (UCB, Chair); Marilyn Sharrow (UCD); Judy Kaufman (UCI, for G. Munoff); Gary Strong (UCLA); Donald Barclay (UCM, for B. Miller); Ruth Jackson (UCR); Ginny Steele (UCSC); Brian Schottlaender (UCSD); Patrick Dawson (UCSB, and SOPAG); Karen Butter (UCSF); Laine Farley (CDL)

SOPAG: Bernie Hurley (UCB, Chair); Gail Yokote (UCD); Lorelei Tanji (UCI); Terry Ryan (UCLA); Diane Bisom (UCR); Kate McGirr (UCSC); Susan Starr (UCSD); Julia Kochi (UCSF); Trisha Cruse (CDL); Mary Linn Bergstrom (LAUC)

Absent: Bruce Miller (UCM), G. Munoff (UCI)

Recorder: Diane Bisom (UCR)

1.a. Bibliographic Services Task Force

The ULs and SOPAG reviewed the process established to investigate a replacement for the Melvyl union catalog through a UC/OCLC partnership. The pilot for this project is based on the WorldCat Local service and is projected to be released in January 2008. There already have been four project task groups charged and it is anticipated that there may be 20-21 task groups established over the life of this project. There were questions regarding how staff are selected to participate on the task groups.

Action:

The ULs should send additional names to T. Ryan.

T. Ryan presented a brief PowerPoint presentation illustrating the options, and implications, of participation in the WorldCat Local pilot. The Implementation Team is recommending creation of 11 local views (UC and 10 campuses) and links to each campus ILS for location, call number, and circulation status information as part of the pilot. The more UC libraries linked for the pilot, the more effective the pilot will be.

The Missing Records task group, with input from CAMSIG, prepared a document that provides information on the status and categories of "records missing" from OCLC. These record categories, may, or may not, be currently included in MELVYL. If a comprehensive discovery system is desirable, there will need to be discussion of which categories of records may need to be included in a production version, and reclamation projects to ensure OCLC represents all of UC holdings.

1.b. Digital Preservation

The ULs are discussing a resolution to that will address why it is strategic and necessary to have the Google and Microsoft OCA mass digitization data in our Digital Preservation Repository (DPR), as well as a plan to provide access to this data.

T. Cruse introduced the discussion of the “Costs and Characteristics” document. Most of the costs are in fixed costs: staffing, data center. Variable costs are per TB (terabyte). B. Hurley noted that \$177,000 from the campuses’ preservation budget has been re-allocated to CDL for DPR costs. It was suggested that principles might be developed, followed by formulas to establish fixed central/common costs, and local/campus costs.

Action:

The ULs and SOPAG created a small, fast moving “Tiger Team” of 3 to 5 people to develop DPR cost sharing principles and sample cost models. B. Schottlaender, T. Cruse, G. Lawrence, B. Hurley, and G. Strong will serve on this team. They will have a report to the ULs by September.

2. SOPAG Items

SOPAG updated the ULs on the following items:

- a. HOPS Public Services workshop – Planning is on track. It was suggested that consideration be give to expanding attendance to include web services staff.
- b. HOPS Mass Digitization FAQ – The draft is still to be reviewed by HOPS. B. Hurley will convey SOPAG’s comments. The question was raised as to where to place the completed FAQ, and the Inside CDL website was suggested.
- c. ERMS Update – T. Cruse discussed the Verde exit strategy, as the consortial ERMS product has yet to be delivered. Given the amount of time that has passed since the initial decision, SOPAG and CDL are recommending that CDC and others evaluate if the original need of the project remain. At the same time, CDL will do another environmental scan on current ERMS products. The end of July is the target date for reviewing the ERMS project status.
- d. Digital Library workshop – The concept for this workshop came out of CDL’s “market research” visits to the campuses. A common theme throughout the visits was the desire to look for collaborative opportunities around digital library programs. The workshop will be held in August.
- e. Digital Library Implementation—Collaborative Principles: SOPAG is working on a document (not yet distributed to the ULs) outlining collaborative principles based on project management “best practices.” The principles grew out of the discussions at the VDX project follow-up meeting, and emphasize the development of project management skills on the campuses.
- f. Value-Based Pricing – UC’s Value-Based documents have been widely released and well received. The work of the Task Force has been concluded, but the CDC and CDL are continuing the work.

3. Additional Items

- a. HOTS Proposal for co-investment of digital Chinese cataloger. The ULs will each review the proposal, and discuss over email.
- b. T. Cruse provided a brief update on ETDs from C. Candee. Libraries may be hearing from their faculty about moving forward with ETDs via the e-Scholarship repository.

The meeting adjourned at 3pm