

HOTS conference call  
Monday, 9 February 2009  
2-4 PM

Present: Lee Leighton UCB (Chair), Mary Page UCD, Vicki Grahame UCI, John Riemer UCLA, Jim Dooley UCM (recorder), Manuel Urrizola UCR, Martha Hruska UCSD, Anneliese Taylor UCSF, Brad Eden UCSB, Lai-Ying Hsiung UCSC, Patti Martin CDL, Lisa Rowilson de Ortiz LAUC

1. Next Generation Technical Services. The charge and membership on the Executive and Steering Teams have been released. The Steering Team has begun to organize itself and will have its first conference call with the Executive Team on 18 February. Immediate questions will be support for both internal and external communications and the identification of the “low hanging fruit” mentioned in the charge. It will also be necessary to reach agreement quickly on how widely the Steering Team can address changes to collection development policies and practices. Another suggested question is whether the Steering Team should focus on working first within UC or whether it should be looking beyond UC from the beginning.

One area for quick action could be the document HOTS sent to the ULs in December envisioning new roles for the SCP. HOTS also suggested an inventory of system-wide use of shelf-ready services from vendors such as PromptCat, as well as building on the HOTS survey of language and format expertise. In the current environment it has become extremely difficult to move money from one campus to another. If we are going to develop shared collections, we need to use vendor services to ship and bill to the correct campus. The message needs to be “The UC System has it.” Shared collections will have an impact on holding symbols and scoping in WorldCat Local.  
ACTION: The Steering Team will review the HOTS document “What’s New About the New SCP” and will copy HOTS on its response. The document will then be circulated to the Shared Cataloging Program Advisory Committee for response.

2. Reclamation projects. HOTS continued its survey of campus reclamation projects.

UCLA: a draft plan was sent to HOTS in advance of this call.

UCB: done. Approximately 200,000 low level records remain. A document describing a proposed plan to deal with these records was sent to HOTS.

UCR: files are ready to be sent to OCLC. A cataloger has been sent to III for load table training.

UCSF: started talking with OCLC.

UCI: starting to plan.

UCSB: done. Now cleaning up non-matching records.

UCD: done. Approximately 50,000 non-matching records remain.

UCSD: SCP reclamation will be done first, before the campus reclamation. SCP needs campus responses as to how the monograph records with OCLC numbers will be redistributed to the campuses. The SCP Advisory Committee is currently examining this question.

UCM: done.

It is not necessary to locally upgrade brief records, but it is necessary to be sure that the OCLC number for the master record is in the local brief record.

A question arose as to what to do if local records for merged serial titles have not been merged, but the OCLC master record has been merged.

ACTION: Refer to CAMCIG.

LHRs. OCLC Western is interested in providing UC-wide webinar training on LHRs. HOTS strongly supports this. John Riemer asked for one library using each ILS to volunteer to test extraction and loading of LHRs into OCLC. He volunteered UCLA for Voyager, Vicki volunteered UCI for III and Mary will investigate if UCD can test for Ex Libris. Questions arose as to whether LHRs were needed for all materials or only for specific types of materials, and whether LHRs should be created for on-order materials.

ACTION: Patti will discuss these questions with OCLC.

3. Order records in WCL. HOTS has received the requested report from the ACIG. We still need to determine if it is possible to get approximately the same number of order records in WCL as are in local OPACs. We also may need to establish system-wide best practices for setting holding symbols at time of order.

4. OCLC record use policy. We will continue to monitor developments.

5. OCLC Expert Communities. Webinars will be starting after Presidents Day. This pilot project will expand enhance authorization to anyone with a full-level authorization.

ACTION: John Riemer will send information on the webinars to HOTS.

Next conference call: Monday 9 March, 2-4 PM.