Goals

July 2001-June 2002

The goals of the Resource Sharing Committee are aligned with the Committee's charge. Objectives, many of which are a continuation of work that began last year, are listed below the goal. The committee continues to add additional objectives as requested by SOPAG or related all-campus groups, identified by the subcommittees (RSC-IAG and RSC-CAG) or by the committee members. A major focus of the committee this year will be the implementation of the consortial borrowing software and review of policies and practices resulting from the new system.

Goal: Identify and discuss policy issues and recommend best practices that facilitate resource sharing among campuses.

Objective: Implement the Consortial Borrowing Software product

Status: RSC has been an integral part of the process of implementing Melvyl REQUEST and selecting the consortial borrowing software that will allow for further automation. A successful vendor has been selected and plans to implement the system are under development. RSC through IAG will be involved in the continuing implementation process and developing policies and procedures to facilitate the implementation of the consortial borrowing software.

Objective: Implement the Request feature in the new Melvyl catalog and CDL databases

Status: RSC through IAG will be involved in the implementation of Request in the new systems.

Objective: Implement Desktop Delivery at all campuses

Status: The project is in development with the final decision on software to be used based on campus needs. The consortial borrowing software vendor will provide a desktop delivery mechanism by April 2002. The RSC-IAG committee is developing policies and procedures.

Objective: Review ILL Loan Periods.

Status: RSC has asked RSC-IAG to review the length of loan periods for ILL with consideration to increasing the length of the loan. RSC-IAG will draft a document for SOPAG review this winter.

Goal: Coordinate communication on UC resource sharing issues with interlibrary services, circulation, collection development, special collections, technical services, and other groups as appropriate.

Objective: Co-sponsor a Workshop on Copyright in the Digital Age

Status: A joint committee of RSC and HOPS members composed of Jacqueline Wilson (UCSF), Isabel Stirling (UCB) and Lucia Snowhill (UCSB) have surveyed HOPS/RSC members and library copyright experts on all nine campuses regarding the most pressing copyright issues. From this survey they produced a proposal for a workshop which has been approved by SOPAG and funded by the ULs. The one day workshop will be presented once in the North and once in the South. The dates are October 25 and 26, 2001. An evaluation of the workshop participants will be used to determine future workshops.

Objective: CAG Best Practices Workshop
Status: The CAG is developing a proposal for a best practices workshop which will be reviewed by RSC and forwarded to SOPAG for approval.

Goal: Identify and analyze barriers to expeditious sharing of materials and recommend solutions to remove these barriers. This may include identifying new methods of resource sharing, consideration of local circulation policies that affect resource sharing and facilitating movement of materials among the campuses.

Objective: Investigate methods of improving access to materials in storage facilities

Status: This objective has been identified as an issue that needs investigation. A task force will be formed to review the issue.

Objective: Pilot Project to Unblock REQUEST for Special Collections materials

Status: This project has been a major cooperative effort between HOSC and RSC. Users were able to use Request for Special Collections materials beginning June 2001. RSC is preparing an evaluation plan to be completed in spring 2002. The evaluation plan will include recommendations for future activity and status of the pilot.

Objective: Blocking UC Individuals at the Home Campus

Status: A CAG sub-team composed of Andy Panado (Chair, UCSF), Claire Bellanti (RSC Liaison, UCLA/SRLF), Sharla Desens (UCR), Diane Ill Keen (UCR), Lucia MacLean (UCD), Jon Edmundson (SRLF) has been developing a proposal to block on the home campus the library privileges of UC individuals who abuse their circulation borrowing privileges at other UC campuses. I expect their report soon.

Objective: Review External User policies

Status: CAG is reviewing policies granted to external users in an effort to standardize practices. The report is due winter 2001/02.


Objective: Develop more efficient methods of reporting UC ILL statistics

Status: RSC will undertake this work in the coming year in consultation with Gary Lawrence.

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