

Goal and Objectives

July 2002- June 2003

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

1a. Objective: Implement the Consortial Borrowing Software product.

Status: RSC has been an integral part of the process of implementing Fretwell-Downing's VDX, the consortial borrowing software. The first stages of implementation involved a high level of account setup, software configuration, and testing. Three campuses are scheduled to "go live" in the fall with the remaining campuses to come up throughout the remainder of the academic year. Once implementation is complete RSC will evaluate resource-sharing activities.

1b. Objective: Implement the Request feature in the new Melvyl catalog and CDL databases.

Status: RSC and RSC-IAG continue to be involved in the implementation and testing of Request in the new system.

1c. Objective: Evaluate pilot project to unblock REQUEST for Special Collections materials.

Status: This project has been a cooperative effort between HOSC and RSC. The pilot was conducted from June 2001 through June 2002. RSC will prepare an evaluation report to be completed in fall 2002. The report will include recommendations for future activity. RSC is considering a second survey to evaluate the qualitative aspects of the pilot.

1d. Objective: Implement Desktop Delivery at all campuses.

Status: The project is ongoing with many campuses participating. High-end scanners were purchased for each campus using systemwide monies. The Request screen was modified to alert users to the option of desktop delivery. As the VDX software remains an issue most campuses have a local version of this service as we wait for a system-wide plan to solidify/stabilize.

1e. Objective: Review ILL Loan Periods.

Status: RSC asked RSC-IAG to review the length of loan periods between institutions for ILL with consideration to increasing the length of the loan. RSC-IAG has requested to reconsider the issue when the VDX software is fully implemented. Depending on the status of VDX implementation, a review may take place in spring/summer 2003.

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

2a. 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.

2b Objective: Respond to requests for comment by All-Campus Groups.

Status: RSC has taken an active role in responding to reports from other All-Campus Groups. RSC will actively investigate opportunities for collaboration, such as a joint eReserves program with HOPS.

3. 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.

3a. 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 this winter to review the issue.

3b. Objective: Review new technologies for providing digital images of microformat materials.

Status: A task force has been assigned to review existing and new technologies. A proposal is in process.

3c. Objective: Review Tricor contract with the feasibility and cost of increasing use of collections in libraries who are currently not part of the contract (i.e. Law libraries, UC managed Labs, etc.).

Status: The current contract expires December 2002. T. Dearie is investigating options for adding other participants.

3d. 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. The report has been submitted to SOPAG and is under review.

3e. Objective: Review External User policies

Status: CAG is reviewing policies granted to external users in an effort to standardize practices and create common understandings. The report has been delayed and is now expected winter 2002/2003.

4. Goal: Coordinate collection, organization of and systemwide reporting of UC ILL/Resource Sharing statistics.

4a. 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 and CDL staff to incorporate the statistical portion of VDX.