

Goals and Objectives

July 2004- June 2005

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. RSC and its sub-committee, RSC-IAG, have been an integral part of the process of implementing Fretwell-Downing's VDX, the consortial borrowing software. Once implementation is complete RSC will evaluate resource-sharing activities.

STATUS : All campuses are currently using VDX for lending to other UC campuses. The following campuses are using VDX for borrowing: UCD, UCLA , UCSB , UCSC, and UCSD. Still to come live on borrowing are: UCB, UCI, UCR, UCSF.

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

STATUS : RSC-IAG directly suggested changes in the wording on request responses for UC e-links through citation linker.

1c. Objective: Establish the VDX Task Force to expedite final stages of implementing VDX and to provide a timely communication mechanism for staff and CDL.

Status: VDX Task Force appointed in September, 2004.

1d. Objective : Evaluate pilot project to unblock REQUEST for Special Collections materials. This project has been a cooperative effort between HOSC and RSC. The pilot was conducted from June 2001 through June 2002.

STATUS: RSC and HOSC have formed a joint task force, chaired by HOSC, to make recommendations for sharing special collections items based on feedback to the two reports that RSC completed about the Special Collections/ILL Pilot Project. RSC representatives to the committee are Gail Nichols and Charlotte Rubens. (See links on RSC web page to the reports.)

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 had requested to reconsider the issue when the VDX software is fully implemented. Now that all campuses have started using VDX for lending, the review will take place in Winter 2004.

STATUS: The following campuses are already giving one year loans to other campuses: UCR, UCSB, UCSC, and SRLF . UCSD provides one-year loans from the SSH Collection. NRLF gives one-year loans only to UCD Shields ILL and UCSC ILL.

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. CAG has decided that they would prefer to concentrate on more targeted workshops, revising the concept of a Best Practices Workshop

STATUS: CAG will propose plans for targeted workshops in the future.

2b. Objective : RSC takes an active role in responding to reports from other All-Campus Groups. RSC will also investigate opportunities for collaboration.

2c Objective : RSC continues to maintain its web site using guidelines from SOPAG. RSC will advise RSC-IAG and RSC-CAG on meeting those guidelines on their web sites.

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 : Review External User policies

Status: Circulation policies of each campus are now available on the CAG web page.

3b. Objective : Develop a Resource Sharing Code. Because there continue to be resource sharing issues that need guidelines for staff, RSC will develop a "Resource Sharing Code" for the UC's.

Status: A small sub-team of members of RSC, RSC-IAG and RSC-CAG, has been appointed to work on an overall code for UC Resource Sharing . This code will include such items as guidelines to blocking patrons between campuses.

3c. Objective : Explore advanced delivery mechanisms in order to expedite the delivery of shared print collection materials from the RLFs without circulating them. (Assignment from SOPAG)

Status: Complete. Two reports were turned into SOPAG, and SOPAG forwarded them to the UL's on July 28, 2004.

3d. Objective: Explore the possibilities for the sharing of media between campuses.

Status: A small sub-committee, consisting of Tammy Dearie and Eric Forte, is preparing an initial report on media sharing for the October 21 meeting of RSC.

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: The VDX Task Force is working on improving the statistics derived from VDX; when useful and transferable statistics are ready, RSC will consult with Gary Lawrence.