Preservation Advisory Group 2005/2006 Goals and Objectives

Preservation is defined here as collection asset management, the body of policies, plans, practices and procedures that ensure access to University library collections for as long as needed. It encompasses print, non-print, and digital collections and is concerned with issues of longevity, useability, durability and persistence. Preservation applies to a range of operations, including binding, conservation treatment, reformatting (conversion of information from one format to another), disaster planning and response, environmental control, security, care and handling of materials, causes of and solutions for deterioration of collections, and life cycle management for digital collections

1. Advise and respond to CDC, SOPAG, CDL task forces, committees and other common interest groups on all issues regarding preservation of the collections.

PAG will advise and assist with implementation of the proposed UC Bindery Business Plan.

PAG will respond to a request from CDC for commentary on a proposal to form a new Common Interest Group for conservation treatment.

2. Advise CDC on systemwide activities related to CDL's responsibilities for preservation of digital collections.

PAG will continue to educate itself on DPR polices, operations and procedures. PAG will respond to requests from the Director of the Digital Preservation Program for comment on DPR documents.

Ogden will prepare a final report for SOPAG regarding a high-volume digitization prototype project.

PAG will make a recommendation to CDC regarding preservation of UC dissertations in print and electronic formats.

3. Advise CDC and other groups on preservation policies and activities for all shared print collections.

PAG will respond to JSTOR project staff proposal for assistance with JSTOR collection preservation problems.

PAG will continue to work with the CDC liaison to define behaviors of a variety of shared print collections in order to advise on preservation practices.

4. Develop preservation services with the broadest possible cost-savings for UC libraries.

PAG will advise and assist with implementation of the proposed UC Bindery Business Plan, a major cost-savings proposal regarding the UC binderies.

5. Serve as a focus for information dissemination on preservation issues for the University of California and the State of California.

PAG will identify needs, trends and directions for future UC preservation services.

6. Serve as a liaison group to other state agencies and library or preservation consortia in order to develop cooperative and cost-effective approaches to preservation.

PAG will liaise with the California Preservation Program, the California Library Association, and the Society of California Archivists to improve preservation of and access to collections.

7. Serve as an education and discussion group for PAG members on preservation issues for the University of California and the State of California.