

**UC Libraries/HOPS  
Conference Call  
July 29, 2011, 3:00-4:30**

**Attendees:** Ann, Ellen, Carol, Catherine, Elizabeth, Kevin, Sara, Gail, Sherry, Amy (notes)

1. Announcements

EM: POD is poised to launch in August.

2. BX recommender (Ellen)

Ellen would like to know if we recommend for purchase. Response is, if it helps our users. If so we can talk with Ex Libris. Cost was around \$30,000 with the possibility of it costing less. CDL would help with funding.

Mixed reviews. The report and some librarians thought it could be interesting for undergrads. Concern it wasn't marketed as well as it could have been and it was a short trial period.

Some interest in exploring further, mostly in exploring what the cost would be. Can we ask for a price without committing to a long-term contract. We believe the price needs to be brought down. We are curious as to the future of the database. Are they improving the quality of the tool, what is their development process. If we purchase this tool, HOPS expressed interest in working with Ex Libris to improve it.

3. ILL charge ongoing progress

Amy and Katherine mtg with Gary on Monday

4. Next Generation Melvyl issues/questions

CDL is working on the webinars, 2x a week. The content will be available online. CDL has plans to have the OCLC people do a webinar as well as having campus librarians present sessions.

Ann has noticed a few angry faculty members on the WCL feedback forms. What should we/can we do about this? Some of the faculty are using the database incorrectly or spelling a word wrong. Other times the data is the issue. It is not an error, but it does not

work as it should. As with all databases, there is a learning curve. In some cases, people will need to use First Search

5. Research Tutorial updating (Cathy, etc.)

If we have our own tutorials, pls update to the new file. Cathy sent out request some weeks back. Cathy has offered to be a HOPS liaison to the database. We all agreed this is a good idea.

## 6. Ideas for other tutorial or system-wide instructional materials

Ann then asked if there were other tutorials we could turn into system-wide tools. Carol mentioned a few science tutorials. Amy suggested HOPS members forward URLs to the group to see what may be shared. UCLA has some, UCSD does, etc.

Agreement that the instruction coordinators should be involved with this project.

## 7. Adding Qwidget to the Systemwide Melvyl Catalog (proposal from DigRef)

Conversation on why specific campuses need to take on the work. It turns out 24/7 demands a link to a specific campus. HOPS talked about solutions and then stepped back. HOPS supports the proposal and will ask the CIG to work out the details.

## 8. New liaison for DigRef (to replace Sherry)

Sara Davidson!!

## 9. NGTS (Elizabeth)

The public service focus may not be as much on the forefront as we'd hoped it would be.

[NGTS POTS](#)

NGTS blog ([Tumblr](#)) (may not be open to us for comments) Lightning teams will be filled when necessary. In theory, these teams can act on agreed upon concepts.

## 10. Shared Print in place

Is there anything we need to discuss in regards to SPiP? Elizabeth to check in with SOPAG and get back to us.

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