SCP Advisory Committee conference call
Friday, January 30, 2009, 1-2:30 pm

Present: Becky Culbertson, Jim Dooley (chair), Lai-Ying Hsiung (recorder), Elaine McCracken, Lisa Rowlison, Sharon Scott, Adolfo Tarango。John Riemer present for the WorldCat Local Pre-Production (Next Generation Melvyl or NGM) Update.

1. Draft SCP Reclamation Plan will be discussed by CAMCIG next Monday and it will be on the February agenda for SCP AC.

2. WorldCat Local Pre-Production update: The Implementation Team has distributed around Jan. 20 a list of one-time and ongoing tasks the campuses need to do to get UC ready for mid-2009 production of NGM, e.g. reclamation, the RLF symbols, the SCP monographic records. Keeping up with ongoing symbol setting is something all campuses must do.

UCLA has agreed to work with OCLC on testing a new capability of loading large amounts of LHRs on a nightly basis. This is the industrialization of the process. The finalizing of data content for LHRs and the programming to permit WCL to interact with LHRs is separate.

The second WCL Users Group meeting was held in person at ALA last Sunday afternoon. A major item on the agenda was presentation of the new user interface; there will be separate displays for academic and public libraries, with the former featuring more metadata. The audio and the slide presentations will be posted and shared over the WCL-L list.

Big Heads' meeting indicated that there are 28 libraries live with WCL, 16 slated to go live in the next month and 47 more in various stages of implementation.

Expert Community Experiment begins 2/15/09 for six months. CONSER & BIBCO records are exempt, but everything else including ELvl: blank DLC records are included. Webinar training will be available. Beyond the UC CONSER Funnel, this is another concrete realization of "cataloging at the network level."

The OCLC Program "From ONIX to MARC and Back Again," described the WorldCat records frequently getting TOC and summaries from publishers. In return, OCLC will enrich the record that goes back to the publishers.

The OCLC focus group on WorldCat synchronization talked about keeping WorldCat and ILS in synch re: bib records and LHRs. The strategy is writing an API that would detect and send to OCLC new and revised bib & holdings records. Systems expertise varies among OCLC members, so this could be a help to smaller libraries. Xiaoli suggested making the dataflow a 2-way street: push new OCLC#s for merged records back out to the member library. Another OCLC-to-ILS dataflow idea was possible distribution of the SCP records, based on the symbols on them. The environment is

complicated in that it is more than ILS-to OCLC for symbol setting. Need to keep in mind PAMS like Serials Solutions and the records they feed to ILS.

3. Next Generation Technical Services: Conference call will be held by the Steering Team next week and by the Executive Team the following week. SCP AC, CAMCIG and ACIG will be asked to contribute to the process.

4. Cal Docs Update: CAMCIG did support separate records for Cal Doc monographs and single records for serials. This decision will simplify harvesting and allow the implementation of the proposed revised Cal Doc harvesting strategy if this is what is accepted at the end of the pilot project. SCP welcomes input from both CAMCIG and SCP AC. Even though California State Library is still using single record approach for Cal Doc monographs, they are very open to using the macro devised by Donal to create separate records for SCP. Campuses can also retrieve records for international documents by slightly modifying the cataloging source and dropping Sacramento as the place if desired.

[Update from Becky: Bill Riddle from CSL has agreed to create separate records for CalDocs with PDFs at the same time he is cataloging them on single records. This will begin on February 1, 2009. This will allow California State Library documents to be harvested the following month with the automated search.]

5. SCP Phased Cataloging Proposal: Adolfo presented two proposals. Records created under Proposal one will be very brief and will not appear in OCLC because updates to these brief records cannot be batched in the OCLC environment. This will somehow compromise the comprehensiveness of NGM, but something is better than nothing. It was decided that SCP can use Proposal one for new packages and packages that have less than 20% of monograph titles already fully cataloged to control the number of unwanted duplicates. Any packages with more than 20% duplicates will require consultation with SCP AC. For serials, only Proposal two will be used.

6. Next call: Jim will use the Doodle poll to set up the date and time for the February conference call