SCP AC Conference Call Minutes April 18, 2011

Present: Valerie Bross (recorder), Jim Clark, Becky Culbertson, Sarah Gardner, Trina Punders, John Riemer, Sarah Sheets, Adolfo Tarango

1. Announcements: none

2. NGM Update (John Riemer)

a. Report

CDL (Ellen Meltzer) announced today that effective April 13, 2011, Center for Research Libraries (CRL) records will display in Next Generation Melvyl as part of the UC Collection. The holdings will display at level 2.

Also in the news today, the Next Generation Melvyl Executive Team announced that the pilot phase of Next Generation Melvyl is nearing an end. Next Gen Melvyl will enter production as "Melvyl@University of California."

Finally, the Next Generation Implementation Team heard that OCLC may be developing plans for a version of WorldCat Local tailored to the needs of advanced searchers. NGIT sent an inquiry to OCLC to find out whether this would be a successor to FirstSearch.

b. Discussion:

Observation: Initial comments from some UCSD Reference staff have been negative. CRL records display, but there is no local system for Z39.50 linking. This creates confusion.

Response: Forward all feedback to Ellen Meltzer Ellen.Meltzer@ucop.edu

3. SCP Update (Adolfo Tarango)

The latest SCP monthly update was released just before the call. As mentioned in the update, distributions for the period include 414 journal records (including over 300 from the ScienceDirect Freedom Collection) and 1689 monograph records.

To come: Some potential monographic packages are in the pipeline.

4. PCC Discussion:

a. Background: The Program for Cooperative Cataloging OpCo Meeting will take place May 5-6. The BIBCO and CONSER agendas have been posted to: http://www.loc.gov/catdir/pcc/bibco/BIBCOOpCo2011Agenda.html and http://www.loc.gov/acq/conser/agenda-ops-2011.html respectively. This year, one of the key topics will be a discussion paper, "PoCo Discussion Paper on RDA Implementation Alternatives" (http://www.loc.gov/catdir/pcc/PoCo-RDA-Discussion-Paper040511.pdf)

b. Discussion:

- Background: Given the cataloging environment, various types of MARC record, including AACR2 and RDA, will be with us for the foreseeable future. We will need to deal with this hybrid environment. The Task Group recommends an approach which treats RDA as one of the many possible schemas. A single authority file would be maintained, with existing AACR2 headings "grandfathered."
- Q: What plans does SCP have?

 This will need to be discussed once we know the decision of the national libraries.
- Q: What are libraries outside the US doing?
 Many libraries are waiting to see the results of the US study. But some national libraries have already indicated that they intend to move forward regardless of the US study, e.g., National Library of Australia.
- Q: If the national libraries decide to implement RDA, what would be a reasonable timeline for training UC cataloging units?
 One year seems reasonable. There are a range of training options that might be considered including something like BookBlitz. Funding at some campuses may be limited to librarians, so Train-the-Trainer programs will be needed. Those who are sent for training could bring back the information to their units.

Additional questions and comments regarding the PCC discussion paper may be addressed to Adolfo Tarango, Becky Culbertson, or Valerie Bross

Next meeting: May 16, 2011 3:00-4:30pm