Shared Cataloging Program Advisory Committee

Conference call Thursday, Feb. 23, 2012 2-3:30 PM

Present: Trina Pundurs (UCB), Sarah Gardner (UCD, recorder), Louise Ratliff for Valerie Bross (UCLA), Jim Clark (UCR), Adolfo Tarango (UCSD/SCP), Elaine McCracken (UCSB, chair), Yi-Yen Hayford (UCSC), Becky Culbertson (UCSD/SCP), Sarah Sheets (UCM)

1. Announcements-

UCSB has a new head of cataloging and metadata, starting April 1. Lucia Snowhill from UCSB is retiring.

Becky Culbertson asked a question about recording secondary/tertiary statements of responsibilities for monographs and a discussion ensued about RDA and the need for cataloging best practices.

UCSC has several academic positions available, including a collection development and scholarly communication librarian and an AUL for collections and systems.

2. Next Generation Melvyl update (John)-

The report was distributed via email. Some highlights:

-The quarterly software installation is happening on Sunday. Features of the new software include improved display of non-Roman characters, a fix for OpenURL resolver issues, corrected the "View Now" link display, removed the "local system down" message, installed ability to choose display options based on item type and installed full-text searching functionality.

3. SCP update (Adolfo)-

Adolfo updated the group on the Unicode situation. There are still problems that need to be resolved with III so until those are fixed, SCP will continue to distribute files in MARC-8. SCP is also holding off on distributing the EEBO records until the Unicode issue is fixed.

SCP is continuing to work on DOAJ titles and Adolfo will send a monthly update soon.

4. NGTS updates-

The POT5 group charged with maximizing the effectiveness of SCP sent out a survey on SCP and is in the process of compiling the data and analyzing the results. CAMCIG is also going to be issuing an SCP costs report and another POT that Becky Culbertson serves on is looking at cataloging backlogs (POT6).

5. Other items-

Becky Culbertson reported on a meeting with the National Academies Press (NAP), which will result in the distribution of about 1500 titles published since 2007 by NAP. This was from a cooperative cataloging project between two dozen libraries.

Next conference call: Monday, March 19th, 2-3:30 PM.