HOTS Conference Call
Wednesday, January 23, 2008
Minutes

Present: Linda Barnhart (SCP), Karleen Darr (Davis), Jim Dooley (Merced), Brad Eden (Santa Barbara), Tony Harvell (LAUC), Martha Hruska (San Diego), Lai-Ying Hsiung (Santa Cruz), Carole Kiehl (Irvine), Lee Leighton (Berkeley, chair, recorder), Patricia Martin (CDL), John Riemer (Los Angeles), Anneliese Taylor (San Francisco).

1. OCLC data loads.
    a. Jim Dooley reported that Merced's data loads to OCLC had not been processed since July. Other campuses did not report any problems. Jim will call OCLC directly to request that the Merced information be loaded.

2. Shared Cataloging Program budget cut.
    a. CDL has notified SCP of an 18% budget cut ($48,000) in FY 2008-09. Funding for the current budget year will not be affected. Hruska reported that almost all costs in the Program were staffing. Initial plans were to shave SCP operations and to ask the other campuses to share the costs of the cut.
    b. Leighton reported Berkeley's ideas to cut costs without cutting production by sharing other work at San Diego across the campuses without cutting SCP production which is important to UC public services staff.
    c. Kiehl suggested that HOTS needs long term SCP production data to study the problem. Barnhart is compiling that data.
    d. Hsiung suggested that SCP provide different levels of cataloging and also explore batch creation and updating of brief MARC records to re-purpose publishers' metadata found on their website for some SCP resources thereby saving some staff time.
    e. Harvell suggested distinguishing between Tier 1 and Tier 2 resources for cataloging purposes.
    f. Other comments: there will also be budget cuts on the campuses in addition to the SCP cut; record distribution could cost less after the WorldCat pilot if holdings for electronic resources are set in WorldCat and bibliographic records are not distributed to campus ILSs; staff salaries

have gone up over the years, but the Resource Sharing budget has not kept pace; and the public services staff rely heavily on the records provided by SCP.

    g. Action items: SCP will develop some cost-cutting strategies and will begin reducing staff costs through voluntary attrition and different workflows in FY 2009-10; there will be less production and lower level records as the cut is implemented; and SCP hopes not to ask the campuses for additional cost shares beyond the current cost of the SCP Chinese cataloger, but minimal coinvestment might be required to maintain production at the needed level; the SCP AC will discuss the issues and prepare a draft response which HOTS can vet and adapt to send to the ULs. This topic will be discussed further at the next conference call.

3. Separate vs single records for electronic serials.
    a. Kiehl raised the issue that electronic holdings on print records may be confusing to patrons. The issue had been raised previously in HOTS.
    b. The issue may not be as problematic in the WorldCat pilot, so HOTS will wait to hear what problem library patrons may have during the pilot.

4. LC Working Group on the Future of Bibliographic Control.
    a. Brian Schottlaender pointed out the differences between the draft report and the final report at a meeting in at UCLA. He also said that MARC is not working in the current web environment.
    b. Leighton reported that LC announced at ALA that they will continue to issue rule interpretations after RDA is implemented.
    c. Publisher data will also enter the cataloging workflow earlier thorough ONIX records converted to MARC in the future, and LC will be cataloging more e-resources.

5. Common data elements for an ERMS.
    a. The ACIG minutes show that they will be working on common data elements.
    b. San Diego will share III ERMS implementation information with the other campuses.

6. The next HOTS conference call will be on Tuesday, February 12th, 1:00-3:00.