

## **Systemwide Operations and Planning Group (SOPAG)**

### **Action Minutes**

**Friday, May 6, 2005**

**9AM-10:45AM**

### **Powell Library, UCLA**

Present: Bernie Hurley (UCB, Chair); John Tanno (UCD); Terry Ryan (UCLA); Stefanie Wittenbach (UCR); Marilyn Moody (UCSB); Kate McGirr (UCSC); Susan Starr (UCSD); Patrick Dawson (LAUC Rep); Julia Kochi (UCSF); Trisha Cruse (CDL); Lorelei Tanji (UCI, recorder)

Absent: Bruce Miller (UCM) [at ULs mtg]

1. Agenda review (Bernie)
2. May 6th Joint UL/SOPAG meeting at 11:00am

SOPAG reviewed the agenda and briefly discussed the assigned reports that SOPAG members would present at the UL/SOPAG meeting at 11am that day.

3. Scholarly Communication Summit

SOPAG discussed their impressions of the summit meeting. Overall the summit meeting was positive and a good beginning conversation on the issue related to scholarly communication and the marketplace.

### **Summary of issues:**

- Much better understanding of our own and others' campus constraints or collaborative dealing with publishers, new models for scholarly communication & negotiation w/ publishers
- Brian Schottlaender's model presented at the Summit outlines a suite of change strategies; showed interrelationship of the strategies; using funds to support new models
- Rallying faculty is key
- Need a unified strategy to communicate the importance of making changes
- Start with small steps and build to bigger steps; steps taken will be iterative
- There was more coherence in vision than we give ourselves credit for
- Need to communicate broadly; this is broader than just the economics of package licenses
- This is a library issue that affects not just collections; include public services, technical services, access services in our thinking and planning.
- Short term and long term strategies will be needed

### **Challenges/Questions:**

- No consensus on a model to change scholarly publishing
- Need a road map and next steps
- Saving money versus creating change still needs further discussion
- it doesn't seem that we have consensus re tinkering with the package deals

- Consensus that we should try to change scholarly communication via new models (should this be moved to the summary?)
- No consensus re approach to licensing
- No consensus on how the economics of the package deals influence the scholarly communication model; or changes the scholarly communication model
- Complexity of the issue and lack of information for decision makers

### **Next steps**

- We need to manage expectations of the summit
- Need more analysis of packages and negotiation strategies and the impacts long term and short term
- Put in place a longer term planning strategy
- We need to position ourselves for making decisions
- Put mechanisms in place to position us to make decisions in short time frames
- Start long term planning
- Get everyone on campuses conversant on these issues
- Rally the faculty
- Coherence on vision
- Open dissemination of scholarly information; make scholarly output widely accessible
- Sustainability is key
- You don't need dramatic steps to make an impact

Next SOPAG conf call: Wed, June 15, 2005