

Systemwide Operations and Planning Group (SOPAG)

SOPAG Conference Call, November 20, 2002, Action Minutes

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Topics for discussion with the ULs

Alison has agreed to produce a grid of ongoing SOPAG projects for the ULs, based on discussions at the UL's retreat.

SOPAG's December meeting will start at 9:30 on Thursday the 12th, even though Alison and Bruce will not be able to attend because the ULs will be meeting on Thursday morning.

Agenda Items to Discuss with the ULs:

1. Access Integration Model (AIM)
2. Shared journal collections issues
3. Activities of all campus groups
4. Update on the UC Digital Library Forum

General discussion:

It would be useful to provide a summary of the Melvyl-T policy decisions made in the last 3-4 months and those regarding shared cataloging for the ULs to look at as an update on the decisions that have been made. John O. indicated that a summary already exists, but SOPAG may want to review it to be sure it's up-to-date. It should include a reminder that SOPAG constituted itself to be the oversight committee for Melvyl-T policies in order to avoid creating another committee.

ACTION: John O. will send the summary to SOPAG for review prior to the joint meeting in case we need to make any changes.

Regular Agenda Items

1.0 AIM Model

Thanks to Alison for pulling all of the campus AIM comments together in one document. At the highest level there's agreement that we need planning for access integration, but there's not full agreement on the details of AIM. What people seem to want is a black box that they can put in their keyword search and get back everything that's relevant in ranked order. Bernie has some ideas for further revising AIM, but thought we might want some guidance from the ULs as to what the next steps should be. AIM came out of the Task Force on Access Integration and began

with discussions about the CDL Directory and what to do with it. John T. suggested that we could briefly describe the model and its historical basis presented at the last joint meeting. It was at the UL's direction that the campus discussions were initiated. The question for the ULs is do they think SOPAG should be pursuing further discussion broadly and deeply or not? Bernie can look into alternative models in the next month or so and share with SOPAG.

ACTION: John T. will present the discussion item on the agenda at the joint meeting regarding AIM.

2.0 Shared Print Archive

CDC has been charged to appoint an operational task force with membership from the CDC, HOTS, and the RLFs to address the processing issues related to handling the print counterparts to digital content (e.g., Elsevier, ACM). They will not be involved directly in policy formulation, which is the responsibility of SLASIAC, and the ULs through the work of the CMPG. The question of how titles would be counted is not part of the Task Force's charge.

We also need to let the ULs know that we're pushing HOTS to discuss the use of standards for both shared cataloging and locally produced records for electronic monographs. We need to communicate to ULs so that any at campuses that aren't following or don't want to follow the standards need to know about the expectations for the standards. Even though our normal conversations with our own ULs will bring this to light, it is still important to get a group affirmation that standards make sense for the good of the whole and it's hard to do that in individual campus discussions.

ACTION: John O. will add to the Melvyl-T document the pointer to policy issues taken to HOTS by SOPAG.

3.0 All Campus Groups

3.1 RSC--Blocking proposal

There was further discussion on RSC's proposed policy on blocking, and there was consensus that the document needs to be rewritten as guidelines rather than policy.

ACTION: Tammy will continue to work with RSC to develop guidelines along the lines discussed.

3.2. LPL

The Library privacy liaisons will be meeting Dec. 20th. Chair will be selected at the meeting.

4.0 Task Forces

4.1 Government Information Task Force

Replacement for Patty Iannuzzi (UCB). The loss of Berkeley representation on the Task Force is particularly a problem because their Government Documents collection is the oldest and largest, and integrating their collection brings up other issues.

ACTION: Bernie will talk to other potential volunteers and report back next week.

5.0 Report on CDL-related items

5.1 eScholarship

John O. will forward advice from SOPAG members about more/different information needed by campuses about the eScholarship repository and the business that might come to it. CDL is getting better about managing communication between liaisons and CDL. There was some discussion about the role that CDL could take in communication between liaisons and campus constituencies. A "Boot Camp" for the liaisons will bring everyone up to date and provide a common understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the eScholarship liaisons. Copyright issues remain a major area of concern.

5.2 Melvyl-T

CDL is aiming for a "soft" Melvyl-T rollout (focused on UC library staff), currently planned for December 11th. ExLibris software has thrown in some potential problems. The rollout will primarily be announced to Library staff for consultation and quality checking. It will be announced more widely mid-January.

5.3 Draft of CMI survey is available. ULs have been asked to comment.

Next Meeting: December 12-13, Berkeley.