SCO Meeting (conference call)
November 19, 2008 1:00pm

1. Temporary SCO position (Persily)

Gail P. is leading the process of recruiting for this position and discussed strategies for going forward. Next steps are to tighten up and update the position description, create a small 'search committee' and identify potential candidates. Group agreed that the position should focus on creating connections and outreach activities to help the SCO group. Catherine Mitchell pointed out that the position can dovetail nicely with the new Marketing & Outreach position in eScholarship. The group felt it was less critical that the person be geographically close to UCOP and recommended we not limit ourselves to candidates in the north only. Also suggested that if we cannot get someone with UC experience, we could consider someone with a lot of enthusiasm and interest in scholarly communications issues. Margaret Phillips and Catherine Mitchell agreed to serve on the search committee.

ACTION ITEMS: Gail will 'convene' search committee to revise position description based on meeting input and send out to SCO group for comment.

        Once position description finalized, SCOs will identify potential candidates and send their names to search committee.

2. Publisher policies/fees on NIH-funded authors (Hruska) - see 10/24 email

Discussed faculty's need for list of publishers' policies regarding NIH and fees. Difficulty is that policies keep changing. Discussed need to explain to faculty that they do not have to pay fees in order to comply with the policy.

UC Irvine took the lists that we rec'd from CDL about the top journals that UC authors publish in and created a chart for UCI authors at: http://www.lib.uci.edu/scamp/nih-publisher-policies.html Lorelei offered to do a similar chart based on all of UC.

ACTION ITEM: Lorelei will have someone create a UC version of this chart and we will get it posted to the Reshaping Scholarly Communication website.

3. JCR (Barclay) - see 10/30 email from Brad

Tabled for December meeting.

4. ARL/ACRL schol comm website (Persily)

Gail reported on her work on this project to create a resource for libraries to use when creating a scholarly communication program. It is supposed to go live in time for the December ARL Schol Comm Institute in Portland. Several UC resources are linked including the case studies we presented at UCLA in 2006.

Also linked are the 3 toolkits we developed for librarians: http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/scholarly/ Discussed whether we were going to maintain these sites. Group agreed we should focus our resources on outreach efforts to faculty and the Reshaping Scholarly Communication website. Gail P. suggested we may want to ask the SCO Support Specialist to provide some recommendations regarding the care and feeding of the website.

ACTION ITEMS: Gail will send the website outline to the group for information and any comments.

        Gail will ask LAUC rep for input regarding the impact on UC librarians if we do not update those toolkits.

5. eScholarship development question (Mitchell)

Catherine Mitchell reported that eScholarship is working on a new design and interface. She will be emailing the group asking for some feedback regarding the current interface in hopes of making sure the new design on hits on any major problems that our users have encountered. User testing is planned for once a design is developed.

ACTION ITEM: Catherine to email SCO with a request for feedback that we can easily forward to appropriate people at our campuses.

6. Update on UCOLASC

Margaret Philips reported that the Berkeley rep gave an update at their local Academic Senate committee meeting. The minutes have been distributed but were not available on UCOLASC website as of 11/19.