

SLASIAC Subcommittee on Copyright Policy
November 29, 2012, 10am – 2pm
1111 Franklin St., Oakland, CA

Attending: Kathryn Atchison, Jan Carmikle, Robin Garrell, Rita Hao, Jim Phillips, Wendy Streitz
Absent: Sandra Brown, Bill Jacob
Staff: Joanne Miller

Meeting Notes

1. 1986 Policy on the Reproduction of Copyrighted Materials for Teaching and Research *revision*.

The discussion focused around policy vs. guidelines, and what should be included in the guidelines (versus on a website). The Policy itself is basically a statement about following the law, and in general how UC does that. The revised guidelines will be similar to the current guidelines, and include some introductory information about copyright, fair use in educational settings, and when it is appropriate to seek permission. The Copyright Education Website (<http://copyright.universityofcalifornia.edu/>) will continue to have additional and more specific information on all the topics.

Jim Phillips suggested implementing a training program for UC employees so that people in individual departments or centers on campus might get up to speed on the issues, and what may or may not be permitted when using copyrighted materials for teaching (and research).

Action: Rita Hao will undertake to draft a new policy and new guidelines. If you have any comments or suggestions, please send to Rita by **December 20**.

2. Guidelines for UC staff for contributing to open source software (Wendy Streitz)

While the guidelines now posted on the UCOP website were reviewed by several UC groups, SLASIAC and the libraries did not get a chance to weigh in.

Action: Wendy Streitz and Joanne Miller will solicit input from the California Digital Library (CDL) and then send the guidelines to SLASIAC for review, in advance of the next SLASIAC meeting.

Some guidance on use of open source software will also be included.

3. Educational Technology Leadership Group (ETLG) [Copyright Recommendations](#)

The ETLG recommendations will be incorporated into the work of the Copyright Subcommittee, including revising and clarifying policies and updating the Copyright Education Website (see #6).

4. Aligning UC's [copyright ownership policy](#) with UC's [patent policy](#) (specifically, works developed with the use of University time and resources).

The subcommittee decided that the best course of action would be to assign a working group to develop recommendations for changes to the Copyright Policy to bring it into better alignment with current University practices around technology, faculty exploitation of intellectual property, and University use of intellectual property. The rationale is that environment has changed since 1992, and UC's policy should accommodate those changes. (One example provided was the dramatic growth in the areas of computer science and software engineering.)

The working group should be a mix of UC staff and faculty with interest in technology and copyright. Suggested names were:

- Jan Carmikle (UCD) – Liaison to the Copyright Subcommittee
- Diane Favro (UCLA)
- Sherylle Englander (UCSB)
- Kat Fibiger (UCLA)
- Jim Whitehead (UCSC)

5. Update on an issue that arose recently: Allowing university resources to be expended to support publication costs for faculty's academic and scholarly work. (Rita Hao is drafting a revised statement on this.)

When Rita has finished drafting the memo, it will go to SLASIAC for discussion and approval. The memo will function as systemwide guidance for questions that come up around using funds to pay for faculty's scholarly works.

6. [UC Copyright Education Website](#) (Discussion of possible changes, how to move forward... relates to ETLG recommendations).

The subcommittee agreed that revising the current UC Copyright Education Website would be valuable for the University, and suggested investigating the possibility of combining (and/or eliminating) some of the other copyright-related resources available both on the systemwide and campus websites.

Action: Joanne Miller, who manages the site, will start working on a plan.

7. Online education issues

Rita Hao reported that members of the Faculty Welfare senate committee voiced serious concerns about UC's online education program at their last meeting. The faculty are not happy with the way course ownership is being treated. Meanwhile, Governor Brown exhorted the UC Regents at their last meeting to ramp up UC's online education efforts.

Kathryn Atchison reported that UCLA's Task Force on copyright ownership has drafted a copyright ownership policy for online courses.

8. Additional topic: Proposed Open Access Policy for UC

Copyright subcommittee members were updated on the status of UC's [proposed systemwide Open Access Policy](#), which is currently under review by faculty campus-wide. Comments are due to the Academic Senate by January 11. Rita Hao said that the Office of General Counsel has some concerns with the policy as proposed, and is preparing comments. Some subcommittee members were concerned that the proposed policy was not being reviewed by UC administration, including anyone with knowledge about whether the policy might conflict with any existing UC policies or procedures. Robin Garrell mentioned the Academic Planning Council, a joint faculty/administration systemwide committee, where additional policy review might take place.

Joanne will keep Subcommittee members up-to-date on the proposed UC policy.