

UC Resource Sharing Committee

April 29, 2004, 1-3pm, Teleconference

Present: Donald Barclay, Merced

Claire Bellanti, Los Angeles, SRLF, and Chair

Tammy Dearie, San Diego and SOPAG Liaison

Collette Ford, Irvine

Mary Heath, Guest

Gary Johnson (for Eric Forte), Santa Barbara

Gary Lawrence, UCOP

Christopher McConnell, San Francisco and Recorder

Scott Miller, NRLF

Gail Nichols, Davis and CAG Liaison

David Rios, Riverside

Charlotte Rubens, Berkeley and IAG Liaison

Kerry Scott, LAUC

Deborah Turner, Santa Cruz

Approval of the Minutes of the January 8, 2004 Meeting

Approved.

UCL Collections "Request" Report

- IAG Report: Providing Access to UCL Materials in the SRLF

Background: Claire Bellanti reported on a pilot program, ongoing with Elsevier and ACM, in which SRLF stores one paper copy of the journals to which there is UC-wide e-access. This collection is called the University of California Library (UCL). ACM issues are received and processed at San Diego before transfer to SRLF; Elsevier issues are received and processed at UCLA. RSC was requested to look into the lending of these issues and charged IAG with drafting a report.

RSC reviewed the recommendations from IAG and is in agreement on the acceptability of the mechanisms for lending.

However, RSC requests of the Pilot Project Committee that they provide guidelines on acceptable reasons for requesting these last-resort resources as well as affirm procedures of individual campuses for reviewing such requests. One issue outstanding is the ability to determine what may be acceptable reasons for requesting. RSC and IAG both noted that the behaviors of a particular collection may impact the reasons.

- JSTOR Behaviors

Gary Lawrence reported that the JSTOR Behaviors draft report will be sent shortly to the ULs. RSC will likely hear back on the issue once the ULs have had a chance to review the report.

CDL "Request" Issues

Background: Presently, one cannot request a journal title (not article), be it a specific year of a journal or an entire volume, through such mechanisms as Request. Enough comments have been received about this function, and it will become important when managing the shared collections, that this specific issue needed to be examined.

Mary Heath reviewed a proposal, allowing for the requesting of a journal title, which required little programming effort. Committee members shared some concerns about the proposal (e.g., would it lead to more confusion on the part of users, etc.) but agreed that it was worth an experiment.

M. Heath suggested that a team look at process issues, wording on screens, etc. RSC agreed, requesting that M. Heath send a revised version of the proposal to C. Rubens for forwarding on to IAG for their approval.

Related issue: Since M. Heath had joined the conference, she reported on a follow up question from the last meeting. At the meeting, in discussion of the Special Collections report, T. Dearie had asked if it was possible to display the list of special collections materials in a way that circulating copies were listed first. M. Heath reported back that it is not possible at this time to enhance the MEVYL display holdings. She will have it added to the list of MELVYL enhancements, but cautioned that the exploration of finding a solution, not to mention the work required to come up with a fix, may take a great deal of time and energy.

VDX Issues

Kerry Scott raised some issues concerning VDX. The first had to do with privacy concerns surrounding the amount of time after a completed transaction before the link between the individual requestor and the specific bibliographic information about the requested item is broken. Since the database containing all this information is shared among the UC campuses, RSC agreed to send the issue to IAG, charging that group with determining that length of time before such link is broken.

K.. Scott also raised concerns about campuses finding that decisions made about the configuration of VDX do not always match campus procedures (e.g., Citation Linker requests going to an idle file). With a view to building an UC-wide ILL program, which is efficient and cost-effective, we may actually be making things worse. M. Heath will work on putting together a document, outlining the basic configuration of VDX.

David Rios expressed some of the concerns of Interlibrary Loan personnel at Riverside regarding VDX borrowing. M. Heath and Riverside ILL personnel will further discuss this outside this meeting.

Response to SOPAG on Special Collections

Background: RSC prepared a report last December on the sharing of special collections materials. Later that month, John Tanno sent back some questions about that report.

- Status of ILL of Special Collection Materials

RSC appointed a subcommittee, which would work with HOSC, to address these concerns, thereby forming a joint committee.

- Workflow and Workload Issues

RSC will work on this after the aforementioned subcommittee's report is complete.

- Digital Services

The issues of digital services is being addressed by the Advanced Forms of Delivery Task Force (Bob Freel, Scott Miller, Charlotte Rubens).

- Enhancements to MELVYL

As reported earlier, it is not possible at this time to have the display of holding libraries in MELVYL modified such that special collections are listed last.

- OCLC/VDX

- Provide Information on Website

Follow-Up Report from Subcommittee on Advanced Forms of Digital Delivery

C. Bellanti reported that she had a teleconference with the Subcommittee and T. Dearie and that the Subcommittee will work on an addendum to their report based on additional information from SOPAG. Some policy issues need to be clarified by the ULs before the Subcommittee can move forward with procedures. However, C. Bellanti felt that the equipment issues mentioned in the report should go forward. T. Dearie will give SOPAG an update on the issues at the May SOPAG meeting.

Request from SOPAG to Consider "Quality of Desktop Delivery of Scanned Articles"

Since IAG is so connected to this issue, RSC agreed they should have the first pass at responding. C. Rubens will take the matter to IAG.

Report from CDL and UCOP

Since time was so short, G. Lawrence felt there was nothing which needed to be reported at this time.

Report from CAG

Gail Nichols will send out an email report to RSC.

Report from IAG

C. Rubens had reported on much of the recent work of IAG in the discussion of the agenda items above. No further report was necessary.

Next meeting: (none listed – need to have Claire schedule)

Recorder: UCSC