

Steering Committee
February 18, 2004
Minutes

Present: Bangalore, Bloss, Daugherty, Hurd, Jacobson, John, Kresnoff, Lagana, Lambrecht (convener), Malinowsky, Naru, Pifalo (phone, minutes), Scherrer, Shuler, Starkman, Weller

Minutes were approved as corrected. Naru will correct and send to LIB.

1. Library Interdepartmental Committee, Quadrants, Task Forces

The revised document was discussed. Concerns were raised about the multiple reporting lines for the portal project, but it was eventually agreed to try the structure as outlined in the document. The Institutional Repository Group will be added to the list. The Committee reviewed the proposed charge for this group and recommended substitutions in the proposed membership. Lambrecht will finalize the list of all committees and have it posted to the Web site. He agreed to consider the suggestion to standardize of terminology for roles (chair, convener) and for the groups (committees, taskforces) when finalizing the list.

2. Planning for panel on open access, 8 April 2004

Nakata lecture is set for April 8. In conjunction with this there will be an open event about open access featuring a panel. The panel will include the provost, the new University Librarian, and other campus faculty. An invitation-only event will also be held on the topic of how libraries can develop winning strategies to change publishing patterns. John reported on trends in licensing noting the move away from bundling, the success of the joint UI licensing, and the tightening up of business practices by vendors to compensate for smaller profit margins.

3. Hyperion Interface Team final report

After reviewing the final report, it was agreed that the problem identified in the report needs to be resolved by contacting the vendor. It has been determined that Hyperion is better suited for text projects and Luna is more appropriate for images. Hurd will thank the group for its report. Its work will continue; possible next projects are the Rand documents and the Chancellor's notices.

4. UIC's federal appropriations priorities FY2005

As a point of information, the University's federal priorities were distributed. One priority, the COM National Center for Rural Health Professions Education, Evaluation, and Research in Rockford, will involve LHS-Rockford. It was also noted that the library currently has a grant in violence prevention, another of the priorities listed.

5. UIC/UIUC collaboration

Lambrecht summarized the statements he has received so far. Other items were offered. Malinowsky reported that the trend for UI-wide licensing is becoming routine with a recent report from the UIUC Library that it is seeking a three-campus quote for a new

product for its collection. It as also reported that Gale has offered to analyze UI subscriptions to its products and to put forth a quote.

6. Review of project deadlines

A few adjustments were made to the timetable. Starkman gave an update on the Refworks release which is expected April 1. Training is being arranged. A listserv will be created to handle comments during testing/training.

7. PDQ report

In the absence of an action item, Daugherty provided an overview of the areas that PDQ has been addressing, many of them operational. He also noted relief at postponement of Voyager release.

Decision made for Bloss, Wang, Webb to attend Endeavor's End User program as UIC representatives

Progress and changes in absorbing Art and Architecture services and resources at Daley, including suggestion to reformat outdated media (lps, 16mm films)

Rand documents

Changes in Documents and Microforms

Missing items project

Need to consult Endeavor about glitch in slip-ready processing

New books list

Two items which have been set aside temporarily are on-demand cataloging and use of Voyager statistical categories.

8. Other

Lambrecht raised a concern about shelf-ready processing. Due to the speed of the process, more materials are coming "half-cataloged" making additional work for Cataloging and creating space problems in Cataloging and Collections Development. After discussion, it was agreed that these half-cataloged materials should not be a priority. Books with no record have priority over books with some record. Steps can be taken to make users more aware of the means to request items not fully cataloged in UICCAT. During the discussion it was pointed out that the shelf-ready profile is for LC cataloging. The main vendor for materials with NLM cataloging does not provide a shelf ready option.

There was an update on the microforms move and renovations at Daley.

A contract problem with Blackwell Online is to be discussed via CIC conference call to avert suspension of service at the end of the month.

Loeb Classics have been cataloged using a numbering order. This led to a faculty request to re-catalog them. As re-cataloging will not be done, the faculty making the re-cataloging request have provided a pamphlet listing the materials by author.

John provided an update about facilities and access. LHS basement project has been approved for \$500,000. The estimate for the work is well over that amount. The estimate

is not well itemized so negotiations are expected. There is west-campus interest in creating a joint learning resources center in LHS 109. An agreement to allow access to the collections of east-campus libraries for researchers from the Field Museum has been finalized. The need to add IP addresses in Rockford will be handled with a contact to the major vendors and reliance on the proxy. Some preliminary remarks about the budget process were made which will be covered again at the next meeting. A non-fiscal outcome of John's budget presentation is that library faculty will be invited to co-teach a year-long honors course. The library piece will be the evolution of information from papyrus to the modern period.

Next Meetings: March 10, March 31