

Collection Management Committee
Conference Call
June 10, 2004

Minutes

Attendees: Brenda Wright (FAMU), Carolyn Klatt (FSU for Maryhelen Jones), Barbara Shearer (FSU-MED), Milton Wolf (UCF), Lenny Rhine (UF –HSC), Rita Pellen (FAU), Tony Schwartz (FIU), Anne Bardolph (FSU-LAW), Judy Kelly (NCF), John Ingram (UF, Chair), Sarah Phillips (UNF), Larry Heilos (USF), Helen Wigersma (UWF). *Ex Officio* Members present: Monica Metz-Wiseman (USF, Chair, Electronic Collections Committee).

John Ingram, Chair, convened the conference call at 2:00 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of the March 9 meeting (from Sarah Phillips and Larry Heilos) were approved as distributed. They will be forwarded to FCLA for posting.

Elsevier: The committee reviewed our current position regarding Elsevier. The two main points: (1) are we still in agreement to move to an all-electronic subscription base for billing consortium access costs; and (2) are we willing to initiate a “trading process” to maximize the number of Elsevier titles to which we have electronic access.

Members reiterated their agreement to go with an all-electronic subscription base. Each institution must take two actions by **August 1**.

- Send written confirmation to their subscription agent to cancel their Elsevier print subscriptions
- Send written notification to Elsevier of their intent to go E-only in 2005 with confirmation that print subscriptions have been cancelled with their subscription agent

Concerns were raised regarding the “trading process.” Since Michael Schluter, our Elsevier account manager, has verified that from Elsevier’s perspective, journal title “ownership” is institutional, not consortial, some members of the CMC expressed concern about dropping a subscription in the event something happened in the future to the SUL consortium. If a library is not an institutional subscriber, access rights to the backfiles of a title would be lost. The question was asked whether it might be possible to negotiate a “buy-back” clause for purchasing access to the backfiles should the consortium dissolve.

After considerable discussion, the group agreed that John pursue with Elsevier the creation of a list of subscribed Elsevier titles which will show all SUL subscriptions. From that list, CMC members can then determine which duplicated subscriptions their institution would be willing to drop. Once we have that information, we will know how much money each institution has to shift toward picking up non-subscribed Elsevier titles and can decide which institution will select which titles. We think there are about 450 non-subscribed Elsevier titles from which to choose.

Should a library choose to continue a print subscription, they will be eligible to participate in Deep Discounted Pricing (DDP). We think that DDP is 25% of the list price of a journal. John indicated that the University of Florida does intend to continue with print subscriptions to many

of their journals. Both Dale Canelas (UF Library Director) and John share concerns about the stability of an electronic-only archive.

John also asked whether everyone is currently getting their Elsevier usage statistics. Many members are not. John will pursue with Michael Schluter.

Dim Archive: There is little or no support on the part of the SUL Directors for initiating a dim archive for Elsevier titles. In addition, the Directors have asked that the CMC complete an analysis of dim paper archives as well as of LOCKSS (see next item). For the current calendar year (2004), the Kluwer and Wiley projects will continue with participating libraries being charged for the shipping and handling. The University of Florida will send out invoices in FY05. The total cost is anticipated to be @ \$24,000. Charges will be distributed on the same percent basis as that used by FCLA for electronic databases. Florida State University anticipates that the Wiley charge will be @ \$50,000. There is some question on whether the costs for these projects can be reduced through re-negotiation with the two vendors.

LOCKSS: The SUL Directors have asked the CMC to complete an analysis of LOCKSS (Lots of Copies Keep Stuff Safe) and of dim paper archives as a way to ensure access to digital information. John indicated that the report would be due no later than the December Directors meeting. Carolyn, Monica and John all plan to attend a meeting at ALA on LOCKSS. Helen volunteered to help with the analysis.

ALA and Vendor Meetings: Monica encouraged CMC members to attend the Bowker/Ulrich's Serials Analysis System meeting at ALA. Monica and John also discussed the possibility of meeting with Wiley and Kluwer/Springer representatives.

CMC and its relationships with SCTF, DPPC, and ECC: The Directors are discussing some reorganization of the committee structure which might change relationships among the various committees. They also intend to ask each university to complete a template outlining the institutional curricular strengths and the library subject area strengths. This data can assist in identifying what the SUL can provide as a group that cannot be provided on an individual institutional basis.

With that in mind, we briefly discussed the possibility of participating as a consortium in both the Ulrich's Serials Analysis System and in the OCLC Collection Analysis Project. Currently, FAU is participating in the OCLC project and Rita will send us the URL to review the product. Perhaps a proposal can be developed asking the Directors to seek funding to do a consortium collection analysis. [Immediately following the meeting Rita sent us the URL which indicates that OCLC is changing its product and will introduce something new in 2005.]

Other Business: Milt mentioned that UCF has no additional information at the moment regarding the analysis project that UCF has undertaken with EBSCO to provide serials management assistance.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Recorder: Helen Wigersma, UWF