

**State University Libraries
Electronic Resources Subcommittee
Conference Call Meeting
November 3, 2008 – 1-3 PM**

Minutes

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Members Present:

Brenda Wright (FAMU), Linda Sobey (FAMU-LAW), Eleanor Lomax (FAU), Claire Dygert and Jean Feldman (FCLA), Valerie Boulos (FIU), Mason Hall (FSU), Judy Kelly (NCF), Athena Hoepfner (UCF), Michele Crump and Christian Poehlmann (UF), Sarah Philips (UNF), Monica Metz-Wiseman (USF), Lee Ann Howlett (USF-Shimberg HSC), Lynn Shay(UWF), Anjana Bhatt (FGCU)

I. Call to Order/ Additions to the Agenda

The meeting was convened at 1:02 pm.

There were no announcements. There were several additions to the agenda. Under Old Business, Blackwell, SCOPUS update and TAG and ERM update were added. Investext was added to New Business.

III. Approval of Minutes

The October 2008 meeting minutes were approved. Meeting minutes should be submitted to Rebecca M. Bichel, rbichel@mailier.fsu.edu and Kelly Keith, kkeith@fsu.edu.

IV. Old Business:

A. **Springer models and follow up.**

Claire Dygert has been working on this but, in addition to their problematic formula, Springer has not been very responsive. She is still waiting on a list of non-subscribed titles and their prices. Claire has noticed a number of duplicate titles among the USF libraries on the list. She will send the list to Monica Metz-Wiseman to clarify that the duplications are ones which USF can not drop contractually or otherwise. Claire stated that the Springer model is a priority and she will be reporting back to the ERS when she has more information. In the mean time, she asks that members not renew their titles via EBSCO, etc., until a database model has been agreed upon.

B. **State Library and FirstSearch update**

Claire reports that although there has been no final word from the State Library, it is likely they will renew the FirstSearch Base Package or one year in order to allow the SUL time to decide how we wish to proceed. OCLC is adding Camio and Archive Grid. The State Library should reach a final decision in a couple of weeks. ERS will need to have more discussion regarding this after checking the First Search statistics. Funding for next year is still unknown.

C. **ERS Wish List**

There has been some confusion regarding the Wish List as to how often it has been/should be updated. A possible name change to "Unmet Curricular Needs List" in order to make a stronger statement was mentioned along with questions about what direction the ERS would like to take with it. Possible additions to the list such as vendor list prices and quotes were

suggested, along with any additions and cancellations made by members. The list should reflect an inventory of our needs. This list should be prioritized as was stated in the ERS action plan. There was also a discussion about reviewing data about the various degree programs at the SUS. Claire will send the link to the State data book to the ERS for review. **Action item:** All members should have an up-to-date list of their non-FCLA purchases including any additions and cancellations.

D. JANUS ProCon/ LPPR Feedback

OCLC supplied a list of all titles owned by 3 or more SULs that are also available in the Net Library (but not necessarily purchased online by to the SULs). 1356 of the titles were identified as reference titles. The most purchased publisher was ABC-CLIO, followed by Greenwood and Routledge. There is no new funding available for e-book purchases. Procon's report to the CPC recommends setting a target amount and asking each institution to contribute a portion based on their FTE. Athena will ask the CPC for an extension on the final report data in order to revise the draft in light of the new data.

Regarding the LPPR, Claire stated there is currently no update but she thanked the members for their feedback.

E. Blackwell

There was some confusion regarding the possible loss of Blackwell backfiles that has now been resolved. On a similar note, Monica suggested that members check their backfile coverage for Academic Press titles. USF's access per their agreement with the publisher should extend back to 1993. It was discovered that USF's backfile had been cut by two years in order to match the state agreement. Monica contacted the publisher and access to 1993 was restored. Other ERS members with the previous agreement should check their backfile access with the publisher to make sure that it dates to 1993. A list of the titles is needed by some of the members. USF and UF have these lists.

F. SCOPUS update

A note from Bruce Carey of Elsevier asking about our interest in a consortial agreement for purchase of SCOPUS was answered by Claire. Bruce has now been told that we are not interested at this time.

G. TAG and ERM – update

Claire and Valerie Boulos spoke with Selma. There is no rush to obtain more ERMs at this time. We would like FCLA to continue to work on an ERM for their own needs, but will wait to see how the market evolves over the next few months. Valerie will begin a draft as an appendix to our quarterly report for the ERS to examine.

V. New Business:

A. Data Warehouse/Aleph ARROW reports

Jean Philips (FCLA) reported that new software, BIRT, is being used by FCLA to produce reports. FCLA would like suggestions/comments to assist them in improving the reports along with requests for types of reports that the libraries would like to see. Any staff member may request a particular type of report although there will be times when the requests must be prioritized and come from the ERS via the CPC. Monica inquired about ETD statistics and asked that a clearer definition of what they entail is needed. Also, the ETD statistics are not usually current – often delayed by several months. Jean will look into this. FCLA is

revamping its website and its wiki. The statistical pages are one of their biggest challenges. Their new website will be more informational. Athena asked that abbreviations not be used, if possible, in order to eliminate some of the confusion. It was agreed that better communication is needed between the ERS and the CPC.

There was also a query about ARL/ACRL use statistics for online resources that are beyond "databases" as identified on the "Pending Reports Requests". Jean responded that "databases" included other online resources. CPC is currently being polled on specific needs for online resources. This prompted a discussion about the information flow between CPC and ERS on matters that were specific to online resources.

B. Procedures for Trials

Clarification and amendment of procedures are currently needed for the procedures for trials. The current procedures were drawn up two years ago and need updating. Some of the confusion has arisen from staff members viewing the ERS listserv who are not members of the committee. Claire has had a couple of requests for trials from librarians outside the ERS, and wants to reaffirm that trial requests should be channeled through ERS. The ERS voting members for the institutions where these requests have come will be contacted.

C. Communications from ERS to Institution (and vice versa)

- D. Claire understood that all information for the ERS was to be channeled to the ERS members from their institutions. In some cases, with the number of health and law libraries that have been added, this has caused some confusion. There needs to be clarification that ERS members are responsible for their information being communicated to the appropriate people in their libraries. Policies and procedures were written prior to Claire coming aboard. Clarification in light of Claire's role is necessary. Further discussion will follow.

E. Investext

Eleanor Lomax raised the question whether anyone is investigating a replacement for Investext. The loss of this product will result in a gap in the business collection. Should the decision be made by the business subject groups? December 31st, 2008 is the last day for access of Investext. An email will be sent to ERS members to be forwarded to the business subject groups for feedback. Approximately three weeks will be allowed for responses.

Additional business: Monica mentioned that USF has received their renewal for the University of Chicago Press titles. A number of USF's subscribed titles will no longer be available. According to the UCP contract, if 5% or more of the titles are no longer available, the library will receive consideration for lost titles. UCP has a database model. Claire will contact them regarding the lost titles and to ascertain if more libraries will need to subscribe in order to renew.

Also, Gale has set up webinars in order to address the questions regarding their power packs.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Next Conference Call: December 1, 2008
Next Minute Taker: Lynn Shay

Respectfully submitted,
Lee Ann Howlett, USF Health
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