

State University Libraries
Electronic Resource Subcommittee
Conference Call Meeting
April 6, 2009 – 1-3 PM

Minutes

Minutes Taker – Anjana Bhatt, FGCU.

ATTENDEES:

(FAMU) Brenda Wright; (FAMU Law) Linda Sobey, Nancy Dolniak; (FAU) Eleanor Lomax; (FCLA) Claire Dygert; (FGCU) Anjana Bhatt; (FIU) Valerie Boulos; Peter Picerno; (FIU Law) Janet Reinke; (FIU Med) Luda Dolinsky; (FSU) Charles McElroy; (FSU-Law) Anne Bardolph; (NCF) Judy Kelly; (UCF) Athena Hoepfner; (UCF MED) Deedra Walton; (UF) Michele Crump, Christian Poehlman; (UNF) Sarah Philips; (USF) Monica Metz-Wiseman; (USF Med) Lee Ann Howlett; (UWF) Lynn Shay; (CPC Chair) Rebecca Donlan

1. **Call to order/Additions to the agenda:** Valerie Boulos call the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. Valerie noted three corrections to the agenda:
 - Lexis/Nexis Statistical should be added to agenda
 - Next conference call is on May 4th
 - Janet Reinke will be the minute taker for the conference call on May 4th

Following agenda items were added:

- **Claire:** FCLA Budget and GVRL titles
 - **Anjana:** Renewal of Lexis/Nexis
2. **Announcements:** Nancy Dulniak is the new ERS representative for FAMU Law. Valerie thanked current representative Linda Sobey for her service on ERS in general and especially for taking minutes of the last ERS conference call.
 3. **Approval of Minutes: March 2, 2009:** Minutes approved: Linda to submit the minutes.

(Submit to Rebecca M. Bichel, rbichel@mailers.fsu.edu and Kelly Keith kkeith@fsu.edu.)
 4. **Old Business:**

A: E-journal Issues and Invoicing: Claire led the discussions on following e- journal packages.

Blackwell/Wiley InterScience:

Claire inquired if all the consortium members have received renewal invoices and title lists. Group did a round robin and it appears that most libraries have received the renewal invoices and title lists. In addition there is confusion about which member libraries are currently participating in this deal.

Claire also requested everyone to scrutinize their title list carefully. She informed that according to the license agreement the title list is "Fenced", i.e. new titles cannot be added to the base title lists unless a specific library wants to add them to the base list. Only transfer titles can be added but libraries have a right to remove such titles from the base list and cancel them without penalty. According to the contract 2% of base titles can be cancelled without any penalty.

FGCU reported that in their base title list, not only the transfer titles, take over titles and titles that were changed from print to online format are also added. Blackwell representatives have promised to get back after checking with their legal counsel about the automatic additions of Take Over Titles in the base list.

ACTION: Claire will follow up with Erika and make sure that all institution libraries receive their title list and invoices.

Wiley InterScience:

There are many issues with this journal package renewal:

- a. Claire has received the final amendment in print format but it included additional titles that were not included in the electronic version. The print amendment includes titles that were added with costs based on FTE. Claire asked that everyone reviews the amendments for their institution and complete a doodle poll for whether they approve the information or not before she proceeds.
- b. Many institutions are purchasing individual titles and Wiley InterScience is using the consortium license (piggybacking) and just adding addendums for new purchases. (EX: UCF college of Medicine has purchased Essential Evidence plus). UCF requires license agreement before payment and they have no copy of the addendum.
- c. FGCU purchased E-books and they were also made to sign the addendum even though they do not participate in the Wiley InterScience deal.
- d. USF has no problems and they have been buying quite a few reference books from Wiley.
- e. Due to all these issues, members concluded that Wiley's current licensing process is not working well.

ACTION: Claire will email a PDF copy along with individual title lists and FTE information to each member library. Members must verify titles and confirm their accuracy. Claire will also set up a doodle poll. **April 13th is the deadline to get back to Claire and confirm the title list.**

Cambridge Online Journals: Everyone appears to have been invoiced for the subscription renewal.

B: SciFinder Scholar Web Edition: Valerie led the discussion on this issue. The schedule for gradual switching of port from client to web-based needs to be drafted. No one will be designated the contact for switching port back and forth, but we will adhere to the transition schedule set. Members agreed that some of the ports need to be switched ASAP or at least towards the end of semester.

ACTION: Valerie will set up a doodle poll requesting a time frame for switching the web ports. We also need to decide how many ports we want to switch at a time.

C: Database Prioritization Project: Valerie led the discussion and thanked everyone for their hard work. Summary of the discussions is as follows:

- a. All the member institutions and subject groups reported on time.
- b. Most of the member libraries expressed a desire to keep the current status and not lose any e-databases.

- c. Some groups asked if OCLC research package could be taken apart because individual databases in the package have varying priorities.
- d. Databases that were ranked low priority were unanimously ranked by both the member libraries and subject group members.
- e. Members agreed that in order to follow the procedure mentioned in the article sent by the ERS Chair, we need to assign our own ranking to complete the process.
- f. CSUL is trying as much as possible to leave our database budget intact, but this year's budget is likely to have a shortfall even if we consider a conservative increase across the board with the exception of APA, which has already quoted a higher percentage. Eleanor suggested that it might be possible to negotiate with the vendor as FAU has been able to successfully negotiate for PsychArticles.
- g. There are indications that the State Library will renew their First Search package next year.
- h. A recommendation was made to further review all databases that got a median score of 1.5 and higher.
- i. Ann noted that BE press should be placed in category 1 for their institution.
- j. ERS needs to assign scores to the databases that were not under the purview of the subject groups.
- k. We could break the OCLC package but we are not breaking up the Wilson and the CSA package. We might be able to break up First Search Package.
- l. Perpetual rights with Gale could be an issue but Claire doesn't believe so.
- m. ERS needs to submit a progress report for the CSUL meeting in June. A final report and potential database cuts should be recommended to CSUL for their meeting in September. ERS discussed creating three scenarios for budget cuts and presenting the information to the CPC. No final decision on this point was made.

ACTION: Valerie will speak to the steering committee of the E-database priority project (Eleanor, Brenda, Michele and Claire) and come up with directions for the ERS. She will report back in couple of days and if necessary, set up a doodle pole. ERS's deadline to complete the next step in the e-database prioritization project is May 4th and we should have our report ready for discussions before the May 4th conference call.

5. New Business

A: CPC Meeting Notes (Michele Crump): Michele provided an update. Their Minutes are still in draft stage. Most of it was about the Collection Evaluation Task force and CPC Object Codes Task Force. Fund code and Object code structure needs to be in place before July 2009 so all institutions can run financial reports.

B: CPC Object Codes Task Force (Claire): CPC Object Codes Task Force is working to harmonize the electronic resources object codes for all SUS libraries so that expenditure reports can be generated. This would mean that similar definitions for e-resources are applied across the system. The Task Force would like ERS to review these definitions and further refine them as a next step. Some of the libraries are having staff crunch and it is not possible for them to complete this task and it is also not practical to add these codes retroactively. The group agreed that whatever the timeline of the project may be we need to agree on standards. At this time Fund Codes are not required to be discussed. Claire has already sent a list of definitions to the ERS committee members.

ACTION: Deadline for this project is April 17th. Members need to review the list, add anything that was left over and also add other types of object codes they might be using. Electronic Reference is one such example that can be added to the list.

C: Lexis/Nexis Statistical Universe: Monica asked members if there were any member libraries that picked up this subscription on their own and what was their rationale to subscribe to this product. It appears that three libraries picked up this subscription directly with the vendor and were able to get a bundled microfiche/database price. Bundling the product in this manner has resulted in cheaper cost compared to subscribing through SOLINET.

D: CDRS Conference Overview (Claire): Claire gave a brief update. Most of the ERS members attended the conference. She informed that conference related material such as power point presentation and streaming videos etc. will shortly be posted on a web site and she will let us know when they are available.

E: Lexis/Nexis Subscription: FGCU library has received a subscription renewal advice. This is a product that is negotiated and paid by FCLA. If other member libraries get such notices, they are supposed to inform the vendor to contact FCLA.

F: FCLA Budget and GVRL titles: Claire informed that there is some unexpended carry forward funds due to some e-database cancellations and the database CAMIO being picked up via the State Library's FirstSearch subscription. If the budget cuts are less than expected, Jim Corey has approved spending a portion of this carry-forward fund on a joint licensing project for Gale GVRL titles with ICUF and CCLA institutions. Claire has worked with the Gale representative to create a proposal for the three systems, and asked if the ERS is interested in pursuing this should the funds be available. A question was asked if Gale would give us credit if the list included titles that might have been picked up individually by member libraries. Claire will follow up with Gale on this question.

Next Conference Call: May 4,, 2009
Next Minute Taker: Jenet Reinke