



Ohio Library and Information Network

35 East Chestnut Street, Eighth Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215
614.485.6722

www.ohiolink.edu

February 10, 2012 (revised 2/14/12)

Summary of the Regional Depositories Governing Council Conference Call, February 9, 2012

Attendance: Belinda Barr, Miami University
Jim Bracken, Kent State University
Sara Bushong, Bowling Green State Univ.
Anita Cook, OhioLINK
Johnny Jackson, Central State Univ.
Cheryl Kern-Simirenko, University of Akron
Laura Kinner, University of Toledo
Vicki Montavon, Univ. of Cincinnati
Beth Layton, NEOMED
John Magill, OhioLINK
Scott Seaman, Ohio University
Karla Strieb, Ohio State University
Karen Wilhoit, Wright State Univ.

Sara Bushong opened the meeting with asking if there were any comments or questions about the Northeast Depository Shared Catalog Implementation Project Report. No discussion ensued as most folks had not had a chance to read it thoroughly yet. It was decided that folks will read it as they have time and post comments to the email list for discussion.

Anita gave a progress report on the Shared Catalog (OHDEP system) for the Northwest Depository. The University of Toledo has completed the process of loading their records to the catalog and unsuppressing them in the Central Catalog. Thus the Northwest Depository is now doing PCIRC requests directly for the UT material. Bowling Green State University is in the process of loading their records to the OHDEP system. This is expected to be completed and the records unsuppressed at the Central Catalog by the end of the month. Wright State has committed to joining the OHDEP system. The group will be holding a conference call with Wright State personnel to discuss preparation work and to start outlining a schedule for implementation.

The Circulation and ILL Taskforce for the OHDEP system had made a set of recommendations to the InterCampus Services Committee (ICS) at their November meeting. Most of the recommendations were procedural in nature, but there were a three policy decisions that were recommended that are now brought to this group for a decision. First, ICS recommended that all journals in the OHDEP system circulate for 3 weeks. Right now, classified journals circulate as serial volumes which circulate for three weeks with 4 renewals (like monographs). Unclassified journals circulate as bound volumes that circulate for 1 week with no renewals (like the Central Catalog). Right now only Youngstown State classifies their journals in the OHDEP system (Wright State indicates that they also classify their journals). This makes for two types of loan periods. Since these are little used items and in the depositories, it is suggested that all journals, classified or unclassified, circulate for three weeks. The group approved this recommendation.

The other two policy decisions that came out of the ICS recommendations, concerned traditional ILL out of the OHDEP system. It is recommended that since the Northwest Depository is just now coming onto the OHDEP system and the fact that ILL rates are fairly low for both depositories, that we do not charge for ILL requests for anyone requesting materials directly from the depositories for at least a year. This will give the depositories a chance to get used to doing ILL requests and to work out any kinks they may

encounter. This group would then review this policy a year from now to see if we want to start charging for ILL at that time. This recommendation was approved.

The last policy recommendation is really dependent on whether we decided to charge for ILL or not. It is recommended that the depositories not have to respect the reciprocal agreements that were put in place by the individual libraries. Since we are not charging for at least a year, this recommendation does not need to be considered at this time.

Anita gave a brief report on the progress of the de-duplication project. We are still finishing up the JSTOR Arts & Sciences, IV titles. Three of the depositories have not finished with the withdrawing process. Also, it was felt that we needed to step back and take a closer look at the process to clearly define procedures before we moved forward with another de-duplication project. We are going through title by title of the JSTOR titles to double check the records are being correctly coded for display in both the local and Central catalogs. We are finding instances where this has not been consistent. We have identified a set of coding procedures that we will follow for future projects, but since this involves some local staff responsibilities, we are taking these coding procedures to the DMS committee for review and final approval before putting them in place. Anita has some initial data about time spent on the JSTOR project and space saved to date that she will share with this group. Keep in mind that the project is not yet complete, so it is only initial data.

The group then discussed a recommendation that came out of the fall CBTF workshop on “Managing Print Monograph Collections” that when any OhioLINK library had a copy of a monograph that would be the last copy held in the state, and they wanted to withdraw that copy, that they be able to send that copy to one of the five depositories for storage rather than throwing it away. Some discussion on this focused on the value of the item and if it really needed preserving. That there should be some evaluation criteria associated with this decision on whether it should be preserved or not. The group decided that this issue needed broader discussion in the OhioLINK community. Anita will draft a proposal that will be reviewed by this group that could then be forwarded to CIRM for their consideration and input.

The group discussed whether a face to face all day meeting was really necessary. It was decided that we plan for a face to face meeting an hour before the June LAC meeting with another conference call schedule between now and then to deal with any outstanding business.

The conference call was adjourned.