Summary of the Regional Depositories Governing Council Conference Call, July 30, 2012

Attendance:

Jim Bracken, Kent State University
Sara Bushong, Bowling Green State Univ.
Anita Cook, OhioLINK
Carol Diedrichs, Ohio State University
Marty Jenkins, Wright State University
Beth Layton, NEOMED

Vicki Montavon, Univ. of Cincinnati
Scott Seaman, Ohio University
Judith Sessions, Miami University
Glenda Thornton, Cleveland State Univ.

Sara Bushong opened the conference call asking if there were any comments or questions about the Recommendation from the Depository Managers on procedures for continuing the de-duplication process with the Elsevier titles. There was some discussion on what Ohio State is doing with Elsevier and the CIC preservation project and why they are not participating in this round of de-duplication. Carol suggested that the Regional Depositories Governing Council might contact the CIC about serving as Ohio’s print archive for Elsevier titles. No decision about doing this was made. The recommendation by the managers for de-duping Elsevier was approved.

Next was a discussion on whether we should maintain one or two copies (or even none) of the print Elsevier titles in the depositories. After much discussion, it was decided that we should maintain only one copy because we have the complete backfile of titles loaded locally. For the present, retaining a print copy will allow researchers who need the original print version to have access from within Ohio. For that reason, this single keeper copy should be circulating and available for requesting through PCIRC. Though there was some discussion about making the volumes available for in-library use only, this would involve non-PCIRC practices and it was thought that it would be better to continue to use PCIRC as the requesting method. We will analyze this use of PCIRC after the volumes are de-duped to see if this decision needs to be revised.

Since we made the decision to keep only one copy of an Elsevier title, there was some discussion about revising the Preservation Policy for Serials since that policy states that we will preserve two copies. It was decided that we will add a statement to the policy that allows exceptions to the policy. Anita and Sara will work on wording and present a revised policy for the group.

Finally, the group reviewed the revised Regional Depositories Governing Council Charge. Anita created this new revision out of the old charge with changes to eliminate the specific references to a year, adding a statement about the retention and de-duplication of monographs under Specific Responsibilities, and adding herself as the group administrative contact and liaison to the Depository Managers under the Membership section. The group approved the charge as written. Anita will remove the word “Draft” from the charge and post it to the new Regional Depositories Home Page:

https://www.ohiolink.edu/ostaff/depositories/.