January 12, 2015

Summary of the Regional Depositories Governing Council Conference Call (DRAFT)

Attendance:

Sara Bushong, Bowling Green State Univ.  Phyllis O’Connor, Univ. of Akron
Jerome Conley, Miami University  Amy Pawlowski, OhioLINK
Anita Cook, OhioLINK  Sheila Shellabarger, Wright State Univ.
Carol Diedrichs, Ohio State University  Carolin Sterling, Central State University
Dan Gottlieb, Univ. of Cincinnati  Glenda Thornton, Cleveland State Univ.
Marcia King-Blanford, Univ. of Toledo  Jeff Trimble, Youngstown State Univ.
Tom Klingler, Kent State University  Karen Wilhoit, Wright State University

Marcia King-Blanford opened the meeting after a quorum was established. Anita was asked to review the current Elsevier de-duping statistics with the group. So far, 120 titles have been de-duped (out of a possible 3,000) with a total of 7,874 linear feet regained in the 4 depositories. This breaks down as the following.

Northeast  2,267 linear feet
Northwest  1,911 linear feet
Southeast  786 linear feet
Southwest  2,910 linear feet

We have completed the Elsevier titles with the most volumes and are now working on titles with less than 100 volumes in the depositories. Our linear feet saved per title has dropped from 72 linear feet per title to just 30 linear feet per title. Anita is suggesting that we change our strategy from just looking at Elsevier titles and go back to look at titles with the most volumes in the depositories regardless of publisher. Anita compiled a list of the top 15 titles in the 5 depositories with the most volumes and shared that with the group. Some of these titles have thousands of volumes and multiple copies in the 5 depositories. After much discussion, it was decided by this group, that we would re-focus our de-duplication efforts on these titles rather than continuing down the Elsevier path.

Amy Pawlowski had shared with this group the Capital requests that were determined for the 2015/2016 budget cycle. These requests are going to the January 26 Controlling Board meeting and should be release on that day for defined projects to go forward.

According to the Bylaws of this group, a new chair is to be elected each year to begin a new term of office in January. Marcia King-Blanford volunteered to remain as chair of this group for the next 6 months or until her replacement is hired at the University of Toledo. At this point, the group can then elect a new chair. This was proposed and seconded and unanimously approved.