

SHARED COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

21 September 2015

10 A.M. – 12:00 p.m.

Sandy Barstow (UW); Yem Fong (CUB); Rhonda Glazier (UCCS); Jeff Grossman (CMU – by phone); Gregory Heald (UNC); Yumin Jiang (HSC); Peggy Keeran (DU); Terry Leopold (Alliance); Allison Level (CSU – by phone); Michael Levine-Clark (DU); Lisa Lister (CC); George Machovec (Alliance); Ellen Metter (Aur); Denise Pan (Aur); Tiffanie Wick (WSCU – by phone); Gabby Wiersma (CUB – by phone)

Introductions

Everyone, including those phoning in, introduced themselves.

1. Chairperson

Nancy Allen, previously the Dean/Chair of the committee, has retired, although she has taken an interim position at DU. Michael Levine-Clark is now interim Dean at DU and will be co-chair of this committee in this capacity. Member Council had previously recommended that there be co-chairs, one a Dean, one not. Michael nominated Yem Fong as the non-Dean co-chair. Yem agreed and was appointed by acclamation.

2. Call for additional agenda items

Sandy Barstow requested that some Prospector policies be discussed. Added as number 8.

3. DDA program, in light of shifting models

A number of publishers are now restricting short term loans to their backfile (i.e. more than 12 months old) only. Current titles must be purchased on the first viewing. The only two publishers who are doing this and are in our DDA pilot are Wiley and DeGruyter, but others not in the pilot are also requiring this. Our costs have not gone up as a result of this, possibly partly because some patrons may not go to the trouble of filling out the online request form. We are buying fewer titles even though some are more expensive due to the embargo. George indicated that if use levels remain steady, the funds we have on hand now will last through this fiscal year. Various sources indicate that other publishers will adopt this model and that other models are being discussed. One is a rent to own model, whereby the costs of STLs go towards the purchase price. The subgroup monitoring the DDA program (Allison Level; Michael Levine-Clark; George Machovec) does not recommend making any changes to our model at this point, until we know what changes publishers may make.

Some ACTION items:

- Ask ProQuest to remove the “bar code” field from the online request form; it’s confusing.
- Reword the message that a patron receives after filling out a request form, to make it more positive.
- Allison Level will contact Aimee Leverette at ProQuest to ask for quarterly usage reports so we can monitor expenses.

4. Elsevier negotiations

The negotiating team has met with Elsevier a couple of times. The major topic of discussion is the rate of rise over the life of the contract. Elsevier has proposed a model by which the rate of rise will decrease if a certain threshold of spending on new products is reached. Discussion centers on how high the threshold should be and how low the rate of rise should be. Some points of discussion:

- Initially Elsevier proposed a threshold of \$400,000 in new spending to achieve a quarter percent reduction in rate of rise. Base rate of rise was 4.75%.
- Counter proposal from Alliance negotiating team is a base rate of rise of 4.25%. \$100,000 in new spending would result in rate of rise going down from there.
- Negotiating team wants items purchased by any department on a campus to count towards the threshold, not just items purchased by a library.
- Negotiating team wants purchases made already this fy to count.
- Negotiating team wants the lowered rate of rise to be permanent throughout the length of the contract. i.e., if the threshold isn't met one year, the rate of rise does not increase.
- Need a price quote for libraries wishing to join the contract – CMU, WSCU, and CSU Global are interested.

Yem requested that other price distribution models be investigated.

ACTION: a subcommittee of Gabby Wiersma, Denise Pan, Sandy Barstow, Jen Leffler, George Machovec, and Terry Leopold will discuss and try to come up with one or more recommendations. George will send out a Doodle to set an initial meeting.

5. Shared Print.

George previously distributed the "Serials Distributed Print Policy" document. The MOU provides the basic framework of the project. Several libraries have signed the MOU. We also have a Monographs document, a disclosure document, and a last copy document.

ACTION: George will do some edits of the Serials document and resend to the SCDC committee. The Serials document will be on the agenda of the November meeting of Member Council.

6. Prospective shared print opportunities

This agenda item tabled until the next meeting.

7. Springer ebook proposal

Our current contract for Springer ebooks expires Dec 31 2015. The Springer rep has sent a proposal for a three year contract with a 6% price cap (down from the original proposal of a 9% price cap). Consensus among the 13 participating libraries was that 6% was still too high a price cap.

Palgrave and Springer are being merged. It is not yet clear what this will mean for purchasing, but it is expected that Palgrave content will be available separately from Springer.

ACTION: Terry will communicate the sense of the group to the Springer rep and ask for a revised proposal.

8. Prospector policies

Sandy indicated that UW is interested in use statistics on Prospector. Others concurred.

ACTION: George will send out information.

9. Products under consideration.

Terry discussed the various products under consideration. A spreadsheet with the list went out to the group. Information on these products is available in Gold Rush. NOTED that some libraries find searching Oxford Scholarship Online is difficult. Oxford has offered to make a visit and conduct a Q&A session for interested libraries.

ACTION: Terry will assess interest in this session and work with Oxford on a date if enough libraries are interested in participating.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Minutes by

Terry Leopold