

May 9, 2013

TO: Keri Botello, President, Librarians Association of the University of California (LAUC)  
FR: Michael Oppenheim, LAUC Representative to the Collection Development Committee (CDC)  
RE: Report from the LAUC Representative to the Collection Development Committee (CDC)

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My term as the LAUC representative to the statewide Collection Development Committee (<http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/cdc>) began in September 2012.

The CDC meets by way of a monthly conference call, generally lasting three hours, typically occurring on the third Friday of the month (due to a wide variety of meeting conflicts, there was no CDC conference call in October 2012).

An in-person CDC meeting is scheduled to occur on Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, in Oakland. A sub-group consisting of Ivy Anderson (CDL), Robin Chandler (UCSC), Julia Kochi (UCSF), and myself will be meeting by telephone on Wednesday, May 15, to discuss plans for that meeting.

For this report, following the example of previous LAUC Representatives' reports, I provide headings identifying the most prominent, ongoing issues, with a summary of the salient points that have been discussed at the meetings that have taken place since last September, with an emphasis on more recent developments.

### **Open Access and eScholarship**

- All meetings have included CDL-provided updates on the continuing consideration and pursuit of a UC-wide Open Access policy, following the model of the policy adopted at UCSF in 2012.
- A CDL-sponsored March meeting with **Symplectic** (<http://www.symplectic.co.uk/>), a "research management information system," evidenced a great deal of interest across campuses (more than 55 attended the meeting, in person or by phone). Symplectic can link various systemwide processes (academic personal research tracking; collection and display of profiles, etc.), in addition to providing open access management.
- The CDL has also looked at **Open Access Key** (<http://www.openaccesskey.com/>), a new service for handling article processing transactions. Additional details appear at <https://www.jisc-collections.ac.uk/Catalogue/Overview/index/1400>.
- Transforming UCLA Law Reviews into eScholarship: Having determined that current publication practices and production/distribution costs are unsustainable, the UCLA Law Library has begun to work, with extremely enthusiastic buy-in and support from the highest levels of the UCLA Law School, on moving its 12 law review journals to open access model using eScholarship with print-on-demand. In addition to the eScholarship unit (Catherine Mitchell, Justin Gonder), the UCLA Library (Sharon Farb, Angela Riggio) has also lent considerable support to this work.

### **Digitizing UC Collections**

- **Reveal** (<http://www.revealdigital.com>): Ivy Anderson and others met with Reveal's Jeff Moyer at ALA Midwinter. The Reveal model is to partner with libraries to reduce costs.

Reveal will provide digitization and access as a service with a limited embargo period and commitment to open access and preservation.

- The comprehensive report of the CDC Digitization Team (Robin Chandler, UCSC; Heather Christenson (CDL); and Martha Hruska, UCSD) on *CDC Digitization Targets and Strategies* was presented and discussed at the March meeting.

## Licensing and Collection Management

- The Taylor and Francis negotiations were thoroughly pursued; the conclusion was an amicable parting of the ways.
- Negotiations with the Nature Publishing Group are ongoing.
- A decision was made to pursue **AEON** (<http://www.atlas-sys.com/aeon/>), a product for the management of special collections.
- Continuing discussion of a UC eBook Value Statement.
- **Sharing Holdings Data with Vendors:**  
Although the UC already shares SFX links with vendors, Google Scholar approached the CDL to request the ability to link directly to article level for one-click access to article PDFs; this will also be discussed at the International Coalition of Library. Browzine has a similar request. Privacy and control issues, initial and on-going personnel needed to provide this information, and user perspective need to be addressed. Whether this may be a single or a precedent-setting request was discussed, and whether to form a group to examine these issues. Will proceed with BrowZine (a tool for monitoring/browsing publications on an iPad; a UC-wide pilot took place in early spring), but need more discussions about Google Scholar.
- A CDC task force has been formed to research document delivery strategies, starting with the assumption of *content* procurement versus service procurement. The task force will look at providers, do an environmental scan of what is available, and consider UC-related implications.
- Demand-Driven Acquisitions, focusing on ebooks: a CDC task force was formed to set up pilots for Airiti (Taiwanese vendor of Chinese-language e-books) and CRC Press' ENGnetBASE (engineering e-books), and to seek out other possible pilots.
- Elsevier: Initial contact made; talks to begin in June.
- JSTOR De-Dupe Project: An NRLF assessment showed that participating campuses were satisfied with the results. Goal is to continue the project next year with participating campuses, and possibly to incentivize and add new campuses.

## Shared Print

- Shared Monograph Coordinating Group: With the Group's work completed, the CDC voted to discharge it. An assessment is forthcoming of shared monograph agreements (group to be formed through nominations, and then charged).
- CDL is seeking Council of University Librarians' input on UC shared print priorities and directions. CDC input is requested for a series of white papers to be produced in light of HathiTrust monograph strategies. With the unsurprising exceptions of UCM and UCSF, there appears to be broad interest in large-scale shared monographs at all campuses. The recently-debuted Digital Public Library of America (DPLA) may also suggest implications for UC initiatives.

## **Planning and Infrastructure**

- Planning Ideas under discussion for the June 21<sup>st</sup> in-person CDC meeting in Oakland include the following:
  - Conditions under which to move forward on ebook proposals.
  - Interest in focus on major initiatives and areas of work, including where this work could continue in the new advisory structure.
  - With new structure to be in place starting July 2013, may learn group membership and SOPAG's mapping of projects inventoried. Could discuss projects not mapped or possibly missed.
  - Related to both Strategic Action Group 1 (SAG 1, Scholarly Research & Communication) and SAG 3 (Collection Building and Management), the CDC will charge initial task groups on e-research, data, and digital preservation.

Please let me know if I can provide any further information or answer any specific questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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