SHARED COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, December 10, 10am-noon

Minutes

Attendees: Diana Carney (CO Alliance), Beth Denker (CO Alliance), Katy DiVittorio (Aur), Rhonda Glazier (UCCS), Jeff Grossman (CMU), Greg Heald (UNC), Sandy Hudock (CSU-Pueblo), Yumin Jiang (UCHSC), Jennifer Lawson (CSU-Pueblo), Kayla Lenkner (CC), Debbie McCarthy(UW), Dave Macauley (UW), George Machovec (CO Alliance), Cairie Riney (Regis), Shannon Tharpe (DU), Gabby Wiersma (CUB)

1. Elsevier Updates

The new rep for Elsevier is Karen Wheeler. She is a 13 year veteran at Elsevier and will be covering journals and anything not related to ebooks and books series. She is coming to visit Beth this coming Wednesday. Please contact her if you would like to meet with her while she is in town.

Ebooks deal: Elsevier is working on the license amendment. Beth is reconfiguring some pricing for fairness and proportionality among the members that have agreed to pay more than those not able to commit to the offer this year. Beth needs final email authorization from each library member. She will send out a final email stating your commitment and access. Please confirm acceptance as soon as possible.

Freedom Collection: Beth will be sending a distribution spreadsheet with the refreshed formula from last year.

Beth is waiting on final pricing for additional journal titles. She will try to send out an update this week. Additional one-off purchases can be added at a later date if desired.

Vendor rep. clarification: Karen Wheeler covers journals, Kelly Eaton covers ebooks and book series and Randy Spencer covers analytics.

1. Not Bought Program for monographs

George described working with a monographs vendor to discover titles missed inadvertently over a given time period. The consortium would send the vendor ISBNs from Prospector and receive a list of titles not bought that were available for purchase but not acquired over the given time period. Libraries can individually acquire desired missed titles to fill in gaps and assist in broadening the regional collection. CSU and CUB are interested. UNC would participate but consider it a low priority. Some details to be worked out include whether or not to include ebooks in the list (what is owned but not lendable) and time frame. George suggested setting up a meeting with the vendor to explore this further.

1. ProQuest DDA Program

Beth confirmed dropping Princeton and University of California presses from the DDA Program starting in 2019. At that time, these two publishers will drop out of the DDA Program and be made available to Alliance members who have signed on to the UPSO program through Oxford University Press. 2018 and previous purchased and discoverable imprints from Princeton and the University of California will still be available via ProQuest DDA. Member libraries not participating in UPSO who wish to acquire ebook content from these two publishers will need to find another means of collecting 2019 and later titles.

Beth has asked ProQuest to develop a list of publishers who are willing to provide content to consortia via ProQuest DDA. Participants can discuss at the next SCDC meeting and then the Alliance will send out a ranking survey to gauge interest.

1. UPSO program

Columbia UP update: Beth will be sending out invoices for UPSO soon. She has been discussing an issue regarding Columbia University titles with the OUP rep. Essentially, Columbia has yet to provide content to Oxford for their contributed UPSO titles for the time period we have in the license. They expect to have some available in January 2019, but it would only include backlist records. OUP is working to get Columbia to submit the frontlist content, but if the problem continues or is not resolved, OUP will attempt to come up with alternate content for the Alliance. CUP titles are only 4% of UPSO content. Similar to OUP’s OSO product, accounts are credited if OUP delivers a specific % fewer titles than licensed; this is one scenario if this problem is not resolved. Beth invites members to think about this and let her know if any creative solutions come to mind.

1. MLA Bibliography (Katy)

Last June, EBSCO announced an exclusive deal with MLA to provide access to MLA’s citation and full text products. The deal includes exclusive access and availability through EBSCO’s EDS. Auraria and CU-Boulder sent letters to MLA and have had further discussions. Katy described a phone call with MLA reps who discussed the deal as amounting to a business decision. They claim they do not have the manpower to work with multiple vendors and were concerned about branding and reputation and end users not knowing where the content was coming from. Additionally, other vendors were not providing user statistics to them. They determined that EBSCO was the best solution for solving some of these problems. The contract is for seven years. They did not expect the negative reaction they have received from librarians. Next steps: Auraria is going to talk to ProQuest to discuss this problem and what ProQuest can do to improve their relationships with content providers. CSU-Pueblo currently gets MLA thru EBSCO but they do not have EBSCO’s EDS. George clarified that this configuration does not affect the link resolver. The issue is that the metadata will not show up in discovery layers if using an EDS other than EBSCO’s. Users will have to search the MLA separately for access to its content.

1. Academic Libraries Video Trust

New pricing: Beth sent out pricing in for this product in October which required all Alliance members to participate. She has since received two alternative pricing models. She will send a summary and pricing. Model one consists of the same pricing as the October offer, but maintenance pricing is tiered by FTE. Eight members are required to participate. The maintenance fees are lower for lower FTEs and higher for higher FTEs and it includes unlimited downloads. Subsequent annual maintenance fees are considerably less expensive. Each Alliance member would be considered a founding member which includes lower maintenance fees, discounted user group attendance costs and one rep for each member library. The second pricing model is an open ended option that does not include founding membership. It would require at least five Alliance members for a discounted annual fee of 20% under their regular pricing structure. It is a flat rate cost that includes 200 file downloads annually and credit for uploading files and metadata. Uploading would require the due diligence outlined at previous meetings and in previous emails. Beth invites you to start thinking about this but no immediate action is necessary. If you are interested in founding membership, she will need commitments by April to process the deal.

1. Report on the Shared Print Summit in Boston (George)

George attended a meeting of the Eastern Academic Scholars Trust, a Mellon funded program. This shared print group focuses on monograph collections and there are 20 to 25 programs involved in North America. The long term goal is to try and coordinate activities of shared print programs. The desired outcome is to build a registry to submit holdings for books that have shared print designations. The meeting was organizational in nature. The group decided on a name: Partnership of Shared Book Collections and created working groups: a steering committee, governance and membership, services and business model best practices, risk analysis, outreach and engagement, and retention data. George is a member of the retention data working group and their focus is on defining the characteristics of what a long-term repository should look like. The thinking is that OCLC should manage the repository in the long run because of the huge amount of data they have accumulated over time. An interim retention repository has been proposed until OCLC can take this project on. George responded to the RFP on behalf of the Alliance. A formal report will be given at ALA mid-winter at the Print Archive Network meeting.

1. Google Books (George)

George next mentioned that CU-BOULDER had been contacted by Google Books about scanning unique titles in their collection. Google book started scanning books in libraries and currently has about 30,000,000 titles scanned. They started with big East Coast libraries and are gradually working their way West. The have discussed establishing a scanning center at Boulder and the library has sent them some sample metadata. George has also been contacted regarding scanning items from other regional libraries. The criteria for library selection includes having at least 60,000 unique titles in a collection. Google is also interested in smaller libraries collections that don’t meet this criterion and it might be possible if a scanning center is regionally established in Boulder. Libraries should consider the effort and logistics involved if this project ever takes off. Additionally, Google is only looking at material published prior to 1964.

1. Share print conference and Gold Rush.

Beth noticed an Acquisitions Institute invitation on the ERIL listserv calling for conference presentations on shared print topics. Gold Rush was specifically mentioned in the notice and she thought if people had already used Gold Rush for a relevant project, they might consider responding. The proposal consists of a 200 word abstract and is due December 31st. The conference is May 18th thru 21st in Oregon.

1. New Offers and other Renewals

Beth mentioned that journal package renewals are wrapping up. If you have questions on title lists, reconciliations, or anything else please contact her soon. New offers: 1) GVRL individual title purchases. The cut off for this offer is Dec. 31st. 2) Cabell’s: Beth is reviewing this offer and will likely follow up with Alliance members in January.

The next meeting is Monday, January 14th, 2019.