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Report on RSC activities for the LAUC Fall 2007 Assembly

Meetings

RSC met in by conference call on July 19, 2007, and in person at UCOP on October 18, 2007. Minutes of the meetings are online at <http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/rsc/minutes.html>.

RSC tackled many complex issues over the past year. Some highlights are listed below. Probably the issues most of interest to LAUC members are peer-to-peer lending, and the “Future of Public Services” workshop.

Peer-To-Peer Testing

- VDX with Stanford and with the National Library and Archive of Canada has gone smoothly.
- VDX problem preventing peer-to-peer with British Library (working on it).
- Pursuing peer-to-peer lending at the CSUs. However, the CSUs are currently in the process of selecting a new management system, which has delayed peer-to-peer lending. RSC will continue to pursue this.
- UC/OCLC Pilot Project Implementation
- Charlotte Rubens has been appointed to the UC/OCLC Pilot Project Implementation Team, and has been working especially on resource sharing issues. Insuring that any next generation system accommodates Request services is a priority.

VDX Task Force

RSC recommended to SOPAG to restructure the largely dormant PIR Request Team (a CDL group) and expand its scope to include VDX issues. The VDX Task Force has been formed to expedite final stages of implementing VDX and to provide a timely communication mechanism for staff and CDL.

Document Delivery

UCSD reviewed alternatives to Ariel. UCSD and UCSB tested viability of Odyssey for DDS, however the free version does not look acceptable based on tests between the two campuses.

SOPAG/HOPS workshop “Future of Public Services in the University of California Libraries”

Several RSC members participated in this workshop. HOPS will be recommending 5 ideas from the workshop for further action.

Interlibrary Loan Advisory Group (IAG)

IAG has been working on several issues, most notably peer-to-peer lending with non-UC institutions, using ISO-ILL protocol.

See <http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/rsc/iag/index.html> for complete information on IAG activities.

Circulation Advisory Group (CAG)

CAG is working on several issues, and is planning an Emergency Preparedness Symposium. CAG has also proposed a UC Libraries Emergency Planners listserv. See <http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/rsc/cag/index.html> for complete information on CAG activities.

For more information on RSC issues, see the RSC web page <http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/rsc/>.