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Minutes of the Electronic Resources Working Group

Conference Call

March 9, 2009

In attendance: Cindy Clennon, David Hamilton, Jeanette Pierce, Elizabeth Clarage, Laurie Sauer, Wendy Shelburne, Chris Sweet, Sarah Wessel, Linda Carlisle, Sara Blaszczyk

The minutes from the previous meeting, Feb. 9, 2009, were approved as written.

1. **Announcements**

Jeanette Pierce is going on maternity leave next week and will not be available to complete her term as Chair. Sarah Wessel agreed to serve as Chair filling out the current term.

2. **Review of new proposals**

Cindy will follow up with ARTstor to ask about discounts on annual access fees (AAF) besides the offer to discount archive capital fees (ACF) by 9%.

3. **Continuing proposals**

PBS videos: Cindy got the proposal from PBS (Public Broadcasting Service) and distributed it to the working group members before our conference call. The group decided we would like to see an offer for people to buy their own streaming files and/or DVDs from PBS at a consortial discount. Cindy will keep talking to Brandon about hosting by CARLI, to see if issues of taxing bandwidth and managing access can be dealt with.

World Bank Online: Since their E-Library product is not sole-source it is not being pursued. Cindy will pursue WDI and Global Development Finance Online, which are sole-source. Pending her research results, CARLI could broker it for members. However, it is too late for the Spring database purchasing.

The American West: Adam Matthews Digital will make a direct offer to the membership with cumulative discounts. CARLI has not needed to broker AMD products in the past.

JSTOR: Cindy distributed JSTOR coverage and pricing to the working group members before our call. Issues of concern to CARLI would be handling quarterly invoicing, but we would like to be able to broker basic collections at a discount for member libraries who do not already have any, or little, of JSTOR collections.

Cindy will work on a future offer, not in time for the Spring database purchasing.

4. **Report on the E-book Symposium**

Cindy reported that evaluations were overall very positive. The staff is collating feedback right now. Attendance was between 95 and 97. At least one person would like CARLI to hold an E-books vendor exhibit or event.

5. **E-Book survey results**

Cindy will email the working group members a file of the final results of the survey. Volunteers are needed to summarize, provide a synopsis of the survey results.

6. **Spring database offers**

People at member libraries sent in long lists of desired databases, which we discussed at an earlier time. Cindy will send it again for working group to look at and comment on. Much work is being done by CARLI staff to offer whatever products meet CARLI standards and deadlines.

7. **MLNC**

MLNC was unable to provide any detailed data but summarized the number of CARLI members who have purchased through MLNC, and the number of databases.

8. **Discussion of CARLI Statewide Serials Collection Task Force (SSCTF) Final Report of May 15, 2007**

Part III, Section D under Recommendations applies to ERWG. To start our discussion, Cindy composed a spreadsheet showing 60 titles that are most widely held by CARLI members, according to WorldCat. *Science* seemed to be the most likely target to find a price for maximum participation, and Cindy will follow up with AAAS. *Nature* was suggested as well though their subscription model is problematic. Most of the widely purchased titles are part of Academic Search Premier, which is subsidized by CARLI.

CARLI could also broker more backfile packages, and the working group should suggest what we need CARLI to shop for.