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## E-Resources Working Group Minutes for April 13, 2009

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Minutes of the Electronic Resources Working Group  
**Conference Call**

April 13, 2009

**In attendance:** Cynthia Clennon, David Hamilton, Elizabeth Clarage, Sarah Wessel, Wendy Shelburne, Chris Sweet, Laurie Sauer, Sara Blaszcak, Gwen Harrison

**1. Announcements**

Spring selection will go live tomorrow morning with 55 new and interesting titles, including Ancestry.com which ranked high in the members' interest survey. The spring selections have plenty of simultaneous user pricing which helps hold down costs. Some vendors did not raise prices. Only 1 item price is not yet available, LN Academic Universe. Selection will remain open till May 15<sup>th</sup>.

The result of CARLI's RFP for an ERMS will allow Serials Solutions to offer discounted pricing for Resource Manager and 360 Counter to member libraries. If you want pricing, send a note to RT – CARLI Support - [support@carli.illinois.edu](mailto:support@carli.illinois.edu) because it cannot be posted due to confidentiality. CARLI office will not get an ERMS at this time – too many limitations on consortial features, pricing problems. If anybody wants information about Resource Manager, call Sara Blaszcak -312-996-7149, email [thorburn@uic.edu](mailto:thorburn@uic.edu).

The discussion about Mary Ann Liebert titles is confidential so I am not putting it into the minutes. Cindy is convening a committee of health sciences librarians to look at collection development in the health sciences.

**2. Review of New proposals**

Palgrave Connect (E-books) on the ERWG proposals website; enough interest was expressed to encourage CARLI to offer it to members with a 10% CARLI discount.

Sage E-Reference – ERWG would like to try to get some banded pricing to encourage smaller libraries to continue building this collection. If not, CARLI might still offer this to member libraries, though it would not be as attractive.

**3. Continuing Proposals**

ARTstor - no news

JSTOR – The proposal has been simplified to Arts & Sciences collections only. Cindy has the pricing for member libraries. Availability will be announced on the mailing lists, and then Cindy can send out pricing info through CARLI Support to the individual members who request it, due to confidentiality. Discounts are available on both the archives capital fee and the annual fee.

WorldBank – no news

PBS videos – Cindy plans to talk to a local A/V expert at UIUC. Related to this, Cindy will be at ICOLC in Charlottesville April 15-18 and gets to lead a breakout session on licensing audio video. She

will keep an ear out for anything that helps get this moving.

Other video products that ERWG members liked or mentioned were Ambrose Digital's "Streaming the Bard", Alexander Street Press "American History in Video", and Bates Physical Examination. CARLI is hoping to have an offer for members to get the American History in Video product fairly soon.

#### 4. **Old business**

E-books survey – Sara Blaszcak started writing the executive summary and will send out a draft Word doc by April 17 to the ERWG list.

List of suggested new titles. 55 new titles were added to the new offer, most from the survey of interest, so the survey strengthened the spring offer and Cindy is pleased.

SSCTF – Tying in with the survey of interest, a member asked what CARLI is doing to help libraries in these difficult economic times. This is part of that answer.

Academic Search Premier covers 69% of titles reported by the SSCTF as held by 60 or more member libraries, some with embargoes. Since our February 9 conference call, Cindy has been talking with Chris Hurley at Nature about current year access to the weekly Nature magazine, and the proposal is being worked out. Nature has a four year rolling file, but pricing should reflect that we've already paid, so no double dipping. The offer will exclude CIC member libraries and it will include other products besides the weekly.

As for Science, Cindy sent out an interest survey and already heard from 41 libraries that they're interested. This was more than expected and pretty significant. Next Cindy will work on pricing with EBSCO Dave Gerow. Advantage of a vendor over direct purchase is to avoid issues about membership in AAAS.

ERWG was asked to decide whether to offer a follow-up to the successful licensing workshop held in November 2008. A simple survey will go out to the people who attended that workshop.