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I-Share Users' Group Minutes for October 15, 2010

Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois

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Conference Call

217-244-9054 and (toll free) 866-951-9521

Members Attending: Jason Rossi, Chair; Mary Burkee; Howard Carter; Belinda Cheek; Sandy Craig; Cindy Fuller; Tom Goetz; Nancy Laverdiere; Karen Whisler.

Members Absent: Mary Case; Carlos Melian.

CARLI Staff Attending: Kris Hammerstrand; Lorna Engels, Paige Weston.

Decisions & Homework:

- August 13, 2010 minutes approved.
- IUG Chair election postponed until next meeting.
- **HOMEWORK**: IUG members to review URM webinars and bring questions, discussion items to next meeting.
- **HOMEWORK**: Continue thinking about the future of Resource Sharing for discussion at next meeting.
- Tom Goetz is drafting text for the CARLI Blog describing ways I-Share Liaisons can stay informed about I-Share developments and ideas for sharing information with library staff.
- Jason Rossi to send letter thanking CAT-ER Task Force for their report and disbanding the group.
- Jason Rossi to poll IUG members to see if it is possible to have the November 19, 2010 meeting as an in-person meeting.

CARLI Board Report: Kris reported that the Board met on September 17th. The IUG Plan of Investigation and Action was accepted. Board minutes are posted on the CARLI website.

CARLI Office report: Reported by Kris Hammerstrand

- The Board asked CARLI to prepare a report describing the number of items available in CARLI for UB sharing. K. Whisler suggested that purchases of e-book packages that restrict use to the purchasing institution may be a threat to resource sharing.
- The upgrade to 7.2.3 is planned for December.

Team Reports:

Acquisitions & Serials Team reported by Karen Whisler

- The IACQ Team met on September 22, 2010.
- The Team is working on their Wiki.
- Discussed possible forum and webinar topics.
- Two webinars on complex publication patterns will be held on October 18th and 19th.

Resource Sharing Team reported by Howard Carter

- Met by voip and experienced some difficulties.
- The I-Share Resource Sharing Fall Forum will be held on October 20th in Springfield.
- Over 50% of I-Share libraries are using Vu-Find as their OPAC. Four libraries are using TomCat.
- The Team discussed running UB reports. CARLI runs three UB reports monthly that are available to libraries in their ftp file.
- Discussed possibility of faculty being able to recall books on their own. No I-Share libraries allow this. Recall is used when placing items on reserve, otherwise UB is encouraged.

Cataloging and Authority Control Team reported by Mary Burkee

- ICAT met on October 5th.
- A needs assessment survey on RDA has gone out to appropriate listservs. The Team is thinking the RDA will be a good topic for a Spring Forum.
- The webinars on Strawn Utilities and Recent Cataloging Changes held in September had good evaluations.
- The ICAT Fall Forum and MARC Edit Workshop will be held on October 25th at Chicago State University and at Illinois State University on October 26, 2010.
- The Team would like to see the IUG Plan of Investigation. Kris will get it posted so it will be available to everyone.

Instruction Team reported by Tom Goetz

- Instruction Team met via voip on October 11, 2010.
- Tutorial Creation Workshops are planned for November 5 and 12, 2010. Registration is currently full.
- A needs assessment survey for future forum planning was just sent out.

OPAC Team reported by Belinda Cheek

- The OPAC Team met by voip and experienced some problems.
- The Team has been working on Vu-Find and TomCat issues with Paige Weston.
- Discussed ways to raise awareness of XC developments and the CARLI role in the development cycle. Kris reported that Susan Singleton will be preparing an XC project page for the CARLI website.

Meetings using voip have experienced problems, but should get better with practice. One advantage to voip is the ability to share documents. The committee discussed ways of enhancing communication between IUG and Teams and communication within CARLI in general. I-Share liaisons play a very important role in sharing CARLI communications with staff in their libraries. Tom Goetz volunteered to prepare a blog entry to highlight the various ways CARLI sends out information - listservs, the newsletter, tweets, blogs, etc. and ways liaison's might communicate this information to their constituents.

Kris reported that there are enhancements coming to Vu-Find. Always check the Vu-Find FAQ to see what is in the works. The current FAQ lists these enhancements:

As of October 2010, the following enhancement suggestions have been identified as highest priority for investigation and possible implementation:

- Add personal name subjects (from the bib 600 $a) to the list of topic facets that display on the Results page.
- Add a "Request 1st available" function to the VuFind local catalog that will allow users to launch easily a UB request (for an item from another I-Share library) when the local library's copy of a title is unavailable.
- Add support for limiting search results to items shelved in particular locations or collections within the library.
- Add support for limiting search results by publication date.
- Add a way for users to store their preferred pick-up location, which VuFind would then supply by default on their request forms.

XC is still in the early development stage. Stay tuned for further developments.

URM (Uniform Resource Manager) is being developed by Ex-Libris. IUG to view webinars.

Discussion of the future of resource sharing raised issues like the number of requests coming in through OCLC instead of I-Share; workflows and turn around times; handling article requests through I-Share; getting more traffic through I-Share; the current consolidation of library systems in Illinois and the impact of that consolidation on LSAP's and resource sharing.

The next meeting may be face to face instead of a conference call.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Whisler