

Annual Report

Commercial Products Committee

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Highlights of Activity:

Electronic Resource Proposals

The CPC received 6 proposals in FY19. Of those proposals, four were rejected, one was accepted, and one is pending.

Following the interest survey conducted in FY18, the committee worked on agreements with two additional vendors, Bloomsbury and Films on Demand.

CARLI also finalized an offer of additional content from the American Mathematical Society. The committee participated in the discussions about this offer, which began in FY18.

Emerging Issues in E-Resources

The committee held a one-day symposium devoted to understanding two current issues in electronic resources management: usage statistics and streaming video. The event was held at the iHotel in Champaign on March 26, 2019. There were approximately 50 attendees and the evaluations were positive.

The presentations included:

Keynotes:

Role of Usage Statistics in the Library Value Proposition
Dennis Krieb (Lewis & Clark Community College)

Future Plans for Usage Statistics in Streaming Video Resources
David Parker (ProQuest)

Panel:

Tools and Practices used in Collecting Usage Statistics and how it Shapes Collection Decisions
CORAL – Southern Illinois University Carbondale
LibInsight – Chicago State University
MS Access & INTOTA – Principia College

Presentations:

Streaming Video Resources in Libraries
Jumping into the Stream: Kanopy – Chicago State University

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VPAT Project

An additional project undertaken by the committee was the creation of a VPAT repository within CARLI's website. VPAT documents, or Voluntary Product Assessment Templates, are documents provided by vendors detailing the accessibility of a specific product. Reports were collected and posted on the CARLI website at <https://www.carli.illinois.edu/vpat-repository> and can be used by libraries as they examine the accessibility of electronic subscriptions.

It is the intention of CARLI staff to keep this page up to date as new VPATs are released or are updated.

Consortia Manager

With grant funding from the Illinois State Library, CARLI entered into a subscription for the usage statistics module of Consortia Manager beginning in early CY19. The committee spent time during the year discussing CARLI's planned utilization of the module for usage statistics collection.