Steering Committee Conference Call Summary
ASERL Collaborative Federal Depository Program
August 19, 2009 - 3:00pm EDT

Attendees:
John Burger, ASERL
Mary Clark, State Library of Virginia
Chelsea Dinsmore, University of Florida
Valerie Glenn, University of Alabama
Laura Harper, University of Mississippi
Sandee McAninch, University of Kentucky
Judith Russell, University of Florida
Bill Sudduth, University of South Carolina
David Vidor, Emory University
Faye Jones, Florida State University Law Library

Call to Order: John Burger called the discussion to order at 3:05 pm.

AGENDA

1) Center of Excellence Project Updates:

The Fall will be spent cataloging the Work Projects Administration materials at UK. A graduate assistant will be helping catalog the collection this Fall. We will ask ASERL Regionals to hold any WPA materials that are being withdrawn by Selectives in their states as an interim collection-building measure before UK’s needs list is ready.

Work on the Dept. of Education “Center of Excellence” at USC will start this semester. There have been two discard collections acquired so far.
2) Training Initiative
Subcommittee members are already detailing what has been done in individual states, and they are working on the idea of a small working group at DLC. They are also hoping to develop some videos. It was pointed out that Lyrasis might be able to provide some assistance with training tools such as videos.

3) Centers of Excellence (COA) for NASA and Panama Canal materials. Steering is working with Univ. of Fla. on a third “Center of Excellence.” Because UF’s NASA collection is heavily used, and they are working on some projects with the Panama Canal, they are already doing the work so it might as well be under the umbrella of this program. UF is committing to digitize the Panama Canal Commission material at an archival level.

Steering is recommending that we create an Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with each COA so that sites wanting to be a Center will know what they are getting into regarding long-term retention, preservation, etc. An outline of a typical MOA is being sought so that we can begin drafting one for our use.

4) Change in Steering Committee Leadership
Valerie Glenn has agreed to become the Steering Committee Chair due to Sandee McAninch’s upcoming absence. Everyone extended their best wishes to Sandee and thanks for her service as chair.

5) DLC Conference activities:
There will not be a public comment session at DLC this year, but will probably have the usual Regionals lunch on Tuesday.

6) Other Announcements:
There is no news on the IMLS grant proposal.

Steering will update the Program Activity Update on the website before DLC.

7) Next meeting date: The November and December conference calls will be combined into a single conference call on Dec. 2, 2009, at 3:00pm EST (2:00pm CST).

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm EDT.