



ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEASTERN RESEARCH LIBRARIES

Steering Committee Conference Call Notes

ASERL Collaborative Federal Depository Program

October 26, 2011- 3:00pm EST

Attendees:

Bill Sudduth, University of South Carolina
Chelsea Dinsmore, University of Florida
Cheryle Cole-Bennett, ASERL
David Durant, East Carolina University

John Burger, ASERL
Mary Clark, Chair, Library of Virginia
Sandee McAninch, University of Kentucky

Agenda

1. DLC Debrief; resolving issues with GPO

The overall tone was civil but action items seemed limited. The emphasis seemed to be on retrenching into the "State" model and retrospective collections.

John and Judy are actively seeking dates to meet with the Superintendent of Documents, the General Council and the Public Printer. This meeting will include members of the FDLP Steering Committee - deans from a regional and a selective library. It was suggested to include a Documents Coordinator as well. This will hopefully move us toward a positive resolution.

2. Training Committee status

The Committee felt that we have done pretty well with outreach within the documents community. A missing component from our current outreach efforts is providing more help to the general public about how to access government documents. Committee members felt that this did not seem to be as big a need as it used to be. Very few requests are made on the local level for this type of training. Additionally, local library associations often have training initiatives as part of their responsibilities. It was suggested that we coordinate with efforts already underway. For example, we might leverage the work being done in NC, with GODORT, etc. and post links to these programs from our website. David will check with his local committee to see if this is feasible.

For now the consensus of the committee is to dissolve the training committee.

3. Update on dividing the USDA among the Land Grant Colleges

As Judy was unable to attend the meeting, no update was available. Chelsea volunteered to provide an update in the near future.

4. Review of grant goals/measurements and last steps for final year

Committee members felt that the best practices documentation addressed many of the measureables though agreed that it would maybe be helpful to pull the relevant pieces from the MOU, Best practices and other documentation to create a clearer document. Cheryle volunteered to review the documentation to pull these components into a more cohesive document.

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A survey of the Documents community is indicated on the grant timeline for the last year of the program. It was suggested that the best time to conduct this survey would be in March. This will be revisited after the first of the year.

The ASERL COE database and the Gap Analysis will be a focus in this final year. Additional records must be recruited to fully test the functionality of these reports. This process has been temporarily placed on hold until the database is transferred from the Lyasis servers to a new hosting institution.

Sandee noted that an announcement should be distributed through the Selectives and the Regionals listservs to let them know that the best practices documentation is available.

November meeting:

Due to holiday schedules, the November /December meetings will be combined. Cheryle will send a poll to identify a meeting date.