



ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEASTERN RESEARCH LIBRARIES

Steering Committee Conference Call Notes

## ASERL Collaborative Federal Depository Program

September 26, 2012 - 3:00pm EST

### Attending:

John Burger, ASERL  
Chelsea Dinsmore, University of Florida  
Cheryle Cole-Bennett, ASERL  
David Durant, East Carolina University

Mary Clark, Chair, Library of Virginia  
Sandee McAninch, University of Kentucky  
Judy Russell, University of Florida  
Bill Sudduth, University of South Carolina

### AGENDA

Welcome Mississippi State University as our newest COE - for Food and Inspection Services

#### **1. Contributed records for the State Department (UF)**

Judy Russell gave a brief overview of the project, the concept of which is to use the ASERL COE database to compare available digital files (LLMC Digital, Internet Archive and HathiTrust) with the print publications to see what portion of the print collection has already been digitized. Using the ASERL COE software to run gap analysis reports would generate a “needs list” for publications that still need to be digitized.

#### **2. Review of the ASERL COE Database**

Cheryle Cole-Bennett reported that there are enough funds remaining in the IMLS grant budget to cover the programming costs to implement all enhancements that have been identified to date. Enhancements will be implemented in priority order – higher priority given to processes that are preventing the database from being fully operational – for example, the ability to assign more than one agency filter. Note: A list of enhancements is attached to the July 2012 meeting notes.

#### **3. The survey - Analysis and next steps**

Cheryle provided an update on the survey responses. Overall, responses indicate a positive perception of the CDFP as well as to the long-term sustainability of the program. Not surprisingly, highest response rates are from selectives in states where the regional is most actively involved in the program. Results of the survey will be incorporated into the IMLS final report.

#### **4. Ideas for recruiting additional COEs**

Committee members discussed the need to increase the number of COEs – there are still a large number of agencies yet to be claimed. It was noted that there may be a misconception among depository libraries that they have to have a great/comprehensive collection in order to be a COE – which is not the case. We may need to promote the idea that a collection can really be based on an area of local interest and not having a strong collection is not a requirement as long as the depository is willing to take responsibility for building the collection. It was noted that

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we may have reached the capacity of the Document Coordinators to promote the program and that it may be time to work through the deans and directors.

**DLC Conference Planning**

Mary Clark will send an announcement to the ASERL Regionals/Selectives listserv to schedule a lunch get-together on Wednesday, October 17th.

Two ASERL programs are listed on the preliminary conference schedule for Wednesday morning. Cheryle will locate more information on the programs and post information to the ASERL website.

Meeting adjourned at: 4:00pm

Next conference call is Wednesday, October 24, 2012 at 3:00pm EST