



ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEASTERN RESEARCH LIBRARIES

**Steering Committee Conference Call Notes**

**ASERL Collaborative Federal Depository Program**

January 23, 2013 - 3:00pm EST

**Attending:**

John Burger, ASERL  
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**

**ASERL Meeting Update –**

John Burger and Judy Russell gave a brief update on the ASERL Fall 2012 Membership Meeting, November 13-14 in Atlanta. The FDLP Dean’s Steering Committee and the Land Grant Institution/AgDocs initiative met during this meeting.

- Little new activity with the Land Grant/AgDocs/AgJournal projects
- Members of the FDLP Steering Committee agreed to approach libraries that have yet to declare their interest in serving as a COE
- The FDLP Deans Committee hopes to attract non-ASERL libraries to contribute to the project; outreach activities will be considered. Non-ASERL libraries would be encouraged to identify collections that would not be a hardship to adopt as a COE. CFDP Steering Committee members were asked to help identify non-ASERL libraries that might be good candidates to approach
- Sandee McAninch inquired about a request to identify the circulation statistics for FDLP collections. This question was raised during a different program presented later in the day as a “general interest” topic than a specific request for statistical information – the context for the question centered on the need to better manage low-use collections.

**Disposition Database - SuDoc numbers for monographs and monographic (numbered) series when offering materials from an agency that has no COE assigned.**

The group revisited a request from Sandee McAninch that complete SuDoc numbers be required for all monographs and monographic serials being posted to the disposition database to facilitate identification of needed/desired items. Mary Clark and Sandee McAninch indicated it is already required for their state programs in VA and Kentucky. They feel more complete SuDoc numbers make the needs matching in the database work more effectively. This is of particular importance for agencies for which no COE has been established. Previously, Bill Sudduth expressed concern that making this a requirement would be a barrier to using the database. Judy Russell indicated support among the FDLP Steering Committee to require a library to contribute cataloging records for disposal items when the cataloging info is readily available, but the FDLP Committee did not support requiring a library to catalog items in order to discard them.

After much discussion without reaching consensus, members agreed to meet again in mid-February to propose a “middle ground” on this question. Sandee agreed to draft document for the group to consider. It was suggested that we might specifically identify what a library would need to provide in order to discard, as well as identify what a library who is claiming would need and then find the commonalities.

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Judy was curious about the number of items that had been deleted from the disposition database. Sandee indicated that users are not able to edit records in order to fix errors, so the only way to correct them is to remove them from the database and to reload. UK had done this for some items early on in the process, which could account for the records Judy had seen.

The question was raised if there had been any further contact from GPO regarding use of the database. Judy indicated that the UF legal counsel was in the process of filing paperwork to formalize the database as official open access software. GPO has been given the assurance that it is available for their use.

#### **Enhancements to ASERL COE database**

Cheryle Cole-Bennett reported that Winston Harris (UF) has implemented the following enhancements to the ASERL COE database:

- Adding the “Agency” column to the reports
- Adding support for “digital copies”, including specifying that an uploaded item or file is digital and also allowing reports to filter for digital or non-digital.
  - Note:** There is one “test” record in the system to demonstrate what a digital record would look like in a report. It is a WPA record from Hathi. To see the record, run a “Holdings Condition” report and select “HATHI” as the library, you will see the HATHI record (with a little “D”) and the matching records at KUK, VIC and AAA.
- Adding report filter for limiting results to “only items added after a particular date”.
- Adding an hourglass/waiting indicator on reports to indicate that it is still running. Note: this feature works on the reports, but it is incompatible with the upload process. Uploads will still show the “grayed-out” button while the upload is processing.

Meeting adjourned at: 4:05pm

Next conference call is Wednesday, February 27, 2013 at 3:00pm EST