ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEASTERN RESEARCH LIBRARIES

Steering Committee Conference Call Notes

ASERL Collaborative Federal Depository Program
May 28, 2014 - 3:00pm EST

Attending:
Stephanie Braunstein, Louisiana State University
John Burger, ASERL
Mary Clark, Chair, Library of Virginia
Cheryle Cole-Bennett, ASERL
Chelsea Dinsmore, University of Florida
David Durant, East Carolina University
Sandee McAninch, University of Kentucky
Judy Russell, University of Florida
Bill Sudduth, University of South Carolina

Guest: Bonnie MacEwan, Auburn University

Agenda
• Disposition Database – request for enhancement: Ability to export needs list into an Excel file. Sandee McAninch noted that the ability to export a needs list would allow a Selective to print out the list and take it to their stacks area to facilitate weeding – allowing them to focus their energies in weeding items that are known to have value to another institution. If implemented, this change would be for convenience only – it would not change the disposition timeline or policies. Committee members agreed this would be beneficial. Cheryle Cole-Bennett will forward the enhancement request to Winston Harris (UF) for a cost and time estimate.

• Upcoming Webinars
  o Stephanie Braunstein/Chelsea Dinsmore - The Ins and Outs of Digitizing a Center of Excellence Collection: How Two Different ASERL Libraries Made Their CoE Collections More Visible and Accessible. Registration for this event is going very well – approximately 100 people are registered.
  o Pending (Bill Sudduth): Remote Storage Facilities & Government Documents. Bill reported that he is seeking a partner for the program and a date has yet to be chosen.

• DLC Debriefing (Depository Library Council conference – April 30-May 2, 2014)
  o NAPA Program – Sandee McAninch gave a brief update on her participation in the NAPA panel discussion. The format of the session involved a series of questions which were posed for the panel to answer. Many of the questions focused on digitization and there was some concern that digitization was being promoted as a substitute for preservation. It was
suggested that the emphasis on digitization may have been the result of FDLP members being able to see themselves working on digital projects.

Stephanie Braunstein noted that Council members expressed an interest in seeing more specifics on how these new ideas would be implemented, who would benefit, and what incentives would be available. It was suggested that while GPO does not have a federal mandate to digitize, they do have procurement abilities by which they could contract with libraries or vendors to scan collections on their behalf.

- National Plan for the Future of the FDLP –
  Steering Committee members discussed the DLC program and their perceptions of the plan. Members were in agreement that, as presented, the plan lacked sufficient detail to make a fair assessment on the future direction of the FDLP. It was noted that elements in the plan mirror the CFDP Centers of Excellence. Steering committee members were eager to learn more, while continuing to build on the accomplishments of the CFDP. John Burger provided a copy of a letter drafted by the ASERL FDLP Deans Committee to Mary Alice Baish (GPO) in response to the proposed plan, asking GPO for additional information. The CFDP Steering Committee reviewed the draft letter and supported it.

Meeting adjourned at: 4:00pm

Next conference call is **Wednesday, July 23, 2014, at 3:00pm Eastern**