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Subject: Report for the LAUC 2008 Spring Assembly

Since my last report dated May 7, 2007, regarding the Shared Library Facilities (SLF) Board, there has been little activity. The only action this year was a request sent to the Board on May 12th, 2008, to review and adopt or reject two documents regarding non-UC Deposits. There have been no face-to-face meetings during my tenure on the board (appointed November 2006).

Both documents on non-UC deposits were developed by the Board's Operations and Planning Committee and both were reviewed by the University Librarians prior to coming to the Board for a vote.

One document, *Criteria for Evaluating Requests for Non-UC Deposits*, formalizes the treatment of request for deposits of materials in RLFs by non-UC depositors and lists evaluation criteria by which such requests be assessed by the Board. The second document, *(Proposed) Uniform Fee Schedule for Non-UC Deposits* updates the fee schedule that has not been updated since 1991.

I voted to endorse both proposals.

I don't anticipate any negative effects for LAUC members or for UC by endorsing the documents. Under the current guidelines, the primary depositors to the RLFs are libraries on the campuses of the University of California. However, upon recommendation by the SLF Board, other segments of the California library community, public or private, may also become depositors (only libraries, no other entities). This document does not change that policy, only formalizes it and lists evaluative criteria for the Board to consider when such a request is received. Non-UC depositors will be asked to certify that have reviewed all policies and principles that govern the use of the Regional Library Facilities, including those related to persistence, and confirm that they are either committed to compliance or will request one or more specific exceptions.

The criteria to be considered in evaluating a non-UC deposit include:

The proposed deposit will broaden or deepen UC Library collections in the service of research and teaching.

The deposit will enhance access by the research community to important cultural assts by ensuring persistence over time.

The deposit will enhance access for UC patrons through the inclusion of accurate and full bibliographic and holdings records in Melvyl (or future system-wide catalog) and / or other descriptive or delivery methods.

The deposit will enable UC Libraries to develop research collections that would otherwise be difficult or impossible to build.

Since the uniform fee schedule had not been updated since 1991, it seemed appropriate to do so in order to reflect current operations and costs.

More information about the Board can be found at
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