

**Advisory Group for Research Services and Scholarly Resources  
(AGRSSR)  
Minutes  
October 27, 2010  
Library West 429**

**Present:** Alena Aissing, Joe Aufmuth, Denise Bennett, Diane Bruxvoort, Michele Crump, Robena Cornwell, Rebecca Jefferson, Cathy Martyniak, Ann Lindell, Rachel Schipper, Lorraine for Laurie Taylor, Carl Van Ness, Pricilla Williams, Cecilia Botero, Patrick Reakes, Marilyn Ochoa, Isabel Silver, and Chris Poehlmann

**Not present:** Sam Huang, Christopher Vallandingham, Ben Walker, Ryan Litsey, Jan Swanbeck, Peter McKay, and Judy Russell

**I Minutes Approval**

September minutes have been approved.

**II Discussion on AGRSSR – Diane  
([Hand Out](#))**

Diane will facilitate discussion. The group participated in slip writing and answered two questions regarding the AGRSSR group.

Question 1: What do you think the topics should be for AGRSSR?

Question 2: What are you missing?

See ([attached sheet](#)) for results.

Diane wants to start a new group called the User Services Committee. It will be looking at what we need to do for our users; what they need from us; and what are the emerging technologies that they can use. Not sure if this will be in with AGRSSR, it might be a separate group. The idea is to have them take the view point of the user, do focus groups, talk to the users, walk into each library, and have some decision making authority. Also, advise on public interface issues and web site issues. This will be the group that says this is how public services will be put forward on the web site and then will go to the tech people to work out what needs to be done. On the list of priority positions is one called Emerging Technology for Service Innovation. Access Support and Circulation Discussion Group currently works with Michele Crump to review and coordinate access support and circulation policies and procedures. Michele and Diane will discuss the two groups at a later date.

Communication issues:

- 1) At first there were a lot of groups and then they were taken away so now we have AGRSSR. Now might be the time to bring back the groups, but they would have to be different from the ones we had before.
- 2) Some liaison librarians or subject librarians who have a different primary role get little information in their role as subject librarian.
- 3) Things have been announced in AGRSSR and other councils in a way that there is not a logical order with the groups. It seems like information is just being updated in the next group.
- 4) AGRSSR needs a vision and a direction.
- 5) There seems to be little plan, direction, self study or assessment.
- 6) Getting the right message out to the right people and what are the mechanisms to do so?

Question: Is there a RSS feed for our email list?

Answer: Yes, but it is not used much.

Other issues:

- 1) Composition of the group.
  - Composition was to have a representative not department chair.
  - Some people are on too many groups and some are not on any. A self study might need to be done to have a broader representation.
  - This committee has had some rotation with some of its members last year.
  - Collections might need subject representation.
- 2) AGRSSR was originally designed to handle both user services and collections.
- 3) Budget
- 4) ULC feedback is not being heard. The ULC is a faculty senate committee that is written into the University constitution. They are an advisory group to the University libraries and is made up of faculty and students. It meets once a month, but does not get many representatives. Judy is trying to get more participation. AGRSSR member would like to know more about what they are doing.
- 5) CSUL is also not providing the feedback.  
Idea: Email updates might help

Diane will take all of the ideas to the dean and discuss them with her. The renaming process will happen at a future date.

### **III FCLA database prioritization project – Christian Poehlmann**

Sent out survey, but it needs to be updated. FCLA is prioritizing all of the FCLA funded databases on the chance the budget situation changes. Chris will be sending the link to the survey out again. He is asking if everyone could fill it out quickly. There are around 166 databases.

Question: Is it possible to just say yes to the whole package or do we have to for each one?  
Will the State be willing to split the package?

Answer: The State probably will not split the package. Just rate the ones in your area.

#### **IV Additional Agenda Topics?**

#### **V Wrap up/Agenda Topics for Next Meeting**

The November 10<sup>th</sup> meeting has been canceled since the Town Hall VIVO meeting is at the same time. This is a very important meeting and we need to get as many librarians as we can at it. The next meeting will be December 8<sup>th</sup>.