**EAR Meeting Minutes**

**Date/Time: April 25, 1-2:30 p.m.**

**Place: Virtual through Zoom**

Members and guests convened via Zoom and/or phone at 1:00 p.m.

Attendees:

EAR Committee: LaurelBliss (San Diego), Amanda Grombly (Bakersfield), Naomi Moy (Dominguez Hills), Kimberley Smith (Fresno), Mark Stover (Vice-Chair, Northridge), Amy Wallace (Chair, Channel Islands), Jennifer Ware (Sacramento), George Wrenn (recorder, Humboldt)

Guests: John Brandt (Stanislaus), David Hellman (San Francisco), Liz Ginno (Easy Bay), Katie Lage (Moss Landing) Patrick Newell (Chico), Stacy Magedanz (San Bernardino), Carol Perruso (Long Beach), Ann Roll (Fullerton), Hua Yi (San Marcos)

1. **Check-In on Campus/CO Logistics Updates**
2. **GOBI API One-Time Expenditure**

Amy emailed: COLD did **not** approve the one-time money for the GOBI API for all. Amy sent an email that SDLC has an opt-in deal for the product. Individual opt-in price $1,747.20/campus. If you are interested please contact Terri with a cc to Brandon Dudley.  We would like to track of use and Pros/Cons in terms of ULMS.

Notes: EAR members who plan to use the GOBI API service in Alma were asked to check in with Brandon Dudley about evaluating the service, so that an opt-in decision can be made in future.

Amy expressed concerns at the COLD meeting as part of the numerous governance discussions, what will COLD do about these requests/ideas that are not exactly content since there will no doubt be more in the post-ULMS world. Another Dean has since brought a budget request for Marcive.

1. **Proquest Stability Issues**

Eddie talked with Neil Sorenson on 3/20. Amy also talked with Neil Sorenson about this issue on 4/13 and noted overall concerns and overarching goals as expressed by you all in EAR.  The one thing that was brought up was the use of usage triggers for heavily used books, and I noted that triggers to require a library to buy another copy mid-semester is not a good model for the CSU.  Access is lost until payment is made which is hard to know until user complaints, hard to act on immediately depending on staff availability, and hard to budget for. It was also confirmed that content will not be moved until after go live.

Notes: Amy has discussed the recent expressions of concern regarding real-time triggers with Neil Sorenson. The triggers are not a user-friendly model for the CSU. Discussion will continue post-migration.

1. **LOCKSS**

STIM and EAR Chair had a productive discussion with LOCKSS. STIM will be seeking buy-in at the June LIB/IT Meeting, since it would require a CSU-wide fee as well as about 6 sites with hosted equipment. STIM is considering CSU content. EAR needs to inventory rights collectively before pursuing a partnership.

Notes: Patrick Newell indicated that LOCKSS is under review by STIM for the next LIB/IR meeting in Chico. EAR will need to consider “inventory of rights” information. Patrick noted that a new LOCKSS software package is in development and adoption in the fall would work well. Long Beach is working on microform preservation and asked if LOCKSS should be considered in their decision-making (in addition to WEST). Sacramento noted that it is withdrawing JSTOR print titles in June.

1. **Other Campus/CO Logistic Concerns**
2. **EAR Recommendations**
3. **ALL EAR Task**

EAR will focus on licensed electronic resources (ECC, journals, etc.).

* Provide COLD with a long-term **ECC budget plan**, prioritizes and prices new additions, prioritizes and prices eliminations, calendars renewal timelines, and projects budget increases.
* Provide COLD with a long-term **journals budget plan**, prioritizes and prices new additions, prioritizes and prices eliminations, calendars renewal timelines, and projects budget increases.
* Provide COLD with a long-term **one-time purchase** (so things are there as needs for back issues, springer book catalogs, UC book catalogs, etc.) budget plan, prioritizes and prices new additions, prioritizes and prices eliminations, calendars renewal timelines, and projects budget increases.

Reference works as core and coverage needed. Also answer the question about how might EAR be more useful to negotiations and vendor relations?

Recommendation: Out-going EAR Chair locks in new member appointments with appropriate Deans. COLD charges EAR with specific projects after the June Planning Meeting. EAR uses its early fall meeting to form any needed work groups to research and recommend. EAR uses its late fall meeting to develop any cancellation or significant change recommendations and send them to COLD for the Dec COLD meeting. EAR holds an in-person March Meeting for more in-depth budget discussions. EAR finalizes work group and budget recommendations. EAR provides a budget recommendation to COLD for its June Planning Meeting, and offers its help from the following fiscal year.

Notes: Amy discussed logistics and timing of renewals for next year as mapped out in the agenda. George Wrenn asked if summer months might be used for EAR work or strategic planning. Amy indicated that appointments start in fall but that summer work should be a consideration. Jennifer Ware noted the benefit of having definitive pricing from SDLC in spring, as is the practice this year, and suggested that it become standard practice. There was general agreement. Ware also noted that a January EAR meeting is easier to attend (given the winter break) than a meeting in March (which coincides with SCELC). Amy noted that next year’s in-person meeting is likely to coincide with SCELC Vendor Day.

1. **Subcommittee Recommendations**

**Analytics Working Group**

Carol Perruso (Long Beach), Kimberley Smith (Fresno), Tim Strawn (SLO), Jennifer Ware (Sacramento), and George Wrenn (Humboldt, chair)

Discussion: Does the committee support all recommendations? Move recommendations and report to COLD Exec for COLD September Meeting?

Notes: Amy asked if the recommendations in the EAR Analytics report were ready for delivery to COLD. Carol Perruso asked that the recommendations be reviewed by the CSU Analytics Working Group, who will provide comments to EAR before the final recommendations are pulled from the report and sent forward to COLD.

**eBooks Working Group**

Bliss (San Diego), Moy (Dominguez Hills), Hagan (Humboldt)

Discussion: Awaiting the report. Will discuss if get report before the meeting.

Notes: Naomi Moy has sent forward the report. It was noted that continuing, in-depth discussion of options for centralization is needed. Amy suggested giving the report to those who have worked on eBooks in the past for additional input, drawing on knowledge developed from past pilots and working groups. Amy also noted that data tracking should improve in Alma, which will help address some for the complexities mentioned in the report. Carol Perruso asked that the report include the dates of the survey.

**Media Working Group**

Volunteers: Stover (Northridge) and Grombly (Bakersfield), Gu (Sacramento), Hanson (MB), Yi (SM)

Survey is going to close April 14th, so we’ll have more information before the next EAR meeting. Will discuss if get report before the meeting.

Notes: Mark Stover indicated that preliminary data is under review and the report will be available following further analysis. He expects significant progress to be achieved in this resource area.

1. **Finalize EAR Budget Recommendations & 5 YR Plan**
2. Naxos Music (SCELC) Central this year? Next? Other? Never? More research?
3. Music Online Central (SCELC) Central this year? Next? Other? Never? More research?
4. SciFinder (SCELC) Central this year? Next? Other? Never? More research?
5. Choice Reviews (SCELC) Central this year? Next? Other? Never? More research?
6. Foundation directory (SCELC) Central this year? Next? Other? Never? More research?
7. HAPI (SCELC) Central this year? Next? Other? Never? More research?
8. Up-to-Date Nursing (Kimberley, Carol, & Wendy) Central this year? Next? Other? Never? More research?
9. Audio Books (Tim) Central? One-Time? This year? Next? Other? Never? More research?
10. Others?

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| Draft Budget Proposal | Amount | Type |  | Notes |
| 2017/2018 | $135,000 | Increase | Inflation | Maintain CSU Electronic Core Collection (Subscription): Actual ECC Deficit as a result of incremental cost increases over the years $135,000 plus 5% for items on annual renewal. Rationale: CO been paying on one time for years and allows for stable access to core databases for all CSU students at significantly reduced consortia prices. |
| $60,000 | Increase | Content | Content to ECC: Ethnic NewsWatch $26,652 and GenderWatch $28,821. Rationale: These two databases were added to the core collection after the CO circulated the <http://www.calstate.edu/AcadAff/ethnicstudiesreport.pdf>. CSU paid on time for consortia prices which allowed the system to pay a bit less overall for the databases and at the same time opening access to the six campuses that did not already subscribe. |
| $200,000 | One-Time | Content | Leverage newly implemented ULMS to acquire and serve electronic book and media centrally in order to make use of consortia pricing and insure universal access to core materials for students across the system. |
| 2018/2019 |  | Increase | Inflation | Maintain CSU Electronic Core Collection (Subscription): Incremental cost for items on annual renewal. |
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Notes: Amy asked for discussion of resources considered for ECC in previous meetings. Decisions will be necessary if a budget augmentation is forthcoming.Attendees raised questions as to where to place priorities. In the list provided, there was some support for SciFinder and music resources. Other resources brought forward for discussion included upgrades to EBSCO and Academic Search, and additional JSTOR collections.

Amy will bring last year’s list forward for consideration. Choice Reviews was noted to be less desirable for consideration because it is a resource geared towards librarians. The high cost of Up-to-Date Nursing was discussed as a barrier to its inclusion in the ECC. Lippincott Advisor was suggested as an alternative. Lippincott journal packages were also discussed. Dominguez Hills has a clinically-oriented OVID package that is available with limited access.

It was noted that eBook, audio book, and streaming media content deserve serious consideration and adequate representation in budget proposals going forward.

George Wrenn asked about the size and timing of a possible budget increase. Amy noted that there is less money available centrally for collective projects; we are all competing for shrinking pieces of the pie. In this environment, it is all the more important to provide good justifications for resource acquisition, and to align those justifications closely with CO initiatives.

Amy noted that it will be important to develop partnerships, including centralized grant funding efforts that can produce new revenue streams.

1. **Other Concerns/Thanks/Transition to Mark**

Amy asked if there are any concerns to pass on to the new EAR committee.

Michele Van Hoeck (Maritime) will be new Vice-Chair. Laurel Bliss, Kimberley Smith, Tim Strawn, and George Wrenn will continue on EAR. Jennifer Ware and Naomi Moy are going off EAR and were thanked for their work on the Committee.

San Francisco and Sonoma will provide new members to the Committee.

It was noted that EAR Committee members are often drawn from the same group of people. How to make the best use of personnel across the system, as well as how to coordinate with the work of other committees in the system, should be considered as EAR moves forward.

Amy will provide another budget report shortly.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:10 p.m.