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Executive Committee of the Members Council on Library Services (MCLS)

Thursday, February 17, 2022 – 1:00-2:30 p.m. EST

Committee Members: Christine Boatright (FGC), Gale Etschmaier (FSU), Brent Mai (UNF), Morgan Tracy (SSC), Judith Russell (UF).

Guests: Ellen Bishop, Wendy Ellis, Brian Erb, Rachel Erb, Susan Rodgers, Elijah Scott, Rebel Cummings-Sauls, Lisa Tatum, Dave Whisenant.

Call to Order

Called to order at 1:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Boatright made a motion to approve the January 20 meeting minutes. Russell seconded; motion passed.

FSU/NWRDC/FLVC Update

Brown updated the committee on legislative session. We are watching Senate Bill 2500 and House Bill 5001. Everything seems to be going smoothly, we don't expect any issues. Scott will give you an update on House Bill 5201. The next NWRDC board meeting will be in March after the end of legislative session.

ERMSC Applications

The committee reviewed the ERMSC applications. Russell made a motion to appoint Andrea Dufault to the committee; Mai seconded. Motion passed.

Boatright made a motion to appoint Marcie Hoecker to the committee; Tracy seconded. Motion passed.

Boatright made a motion to appoint Madeline Sims to the committee; Tracy seconded. Motion passed.

Mai made a motion to appoint Peter Van Leeuwen to the committee; Tracy seconded. Motion passed.

Rodgers will reach out to the appointments.

'22-'23 Executive Committee Nominations

Etschmaier stated it is time to form the nominating committee and seek nominations for chair-elect (SUS), secretary (FCS), and SUS at-large representative (SUS). Etschmaier and Tracy agreed to serve on the nominating committee. Etschmaier will reach out to CSUL for another SUS volunteer to serve on the nominating committee. All nominations will be presented and voted on the June MCLS meeting.

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Library Services Updates

Executive Director

Scott reported on House Bill 5201-Student Open Access Resources (SOAR). More information can be found at

<https://www.myfloridahouse.gov/Sections/Bills/billsdetail.aspx?BillId=76634>.

Integrated Library Services

Bishop reported ExLibris is changing the monthly Alma/Primo releases to quarterly releases this summer. They have assured everyone that bugs will continue to be fixed on a monthly basis, and the change to quarterly releases does not reflect a change in development time or the development cycle. The hope is the benefit of this shift is that features will be more complete when they are released. May will be the last monthly and August the first quarterly release. February 13 was the automatic sandbox refresh.

The premium sandboxes will be updated in February according to Alma's premium sandbox refresh policy. The data and configurations in the premium sandboxes are refreshed by Ex Libris from production twice a year, on the Sunday after the February and August Alma release on the production environments. FLVC will be backing up logins and passwords before the refresh for a quick reinstall. The next automatic refresh will be August 14, 2022. Open office hours continue. The process and training to grant Administrative Roles for Library Staff continues. All library staff who receive Administrative Roles must complete the Alma and Primo VE Certification Programs and attend all training sessions offered by FLVC. First, any institution interested in having staff with administrator privileges must designate one staff member as the Library Role Administrator (LRA). This person will be responsible overseeing all administrative access to Alma and Primo VE for their institution and must sign an agreement with us. Other qualified staff can be given various administrative roles, but only under the direction of the LRA. Currently we have 19 of the 40 institutions with signed LRAs and 28 library staff with certification. Training has completed for User Management, Discovery, Acquisitions, Resource Management, Fulfillment Admins final area is General Systems Admin on February 23. Information about Administrative Access to Alma and Primo VE can be found on the Alma/Primo VE Resource libguide.

FLVC continues to work with FIU and the Wolfsonian Museum Library to migrate their library collection and digital collections into Alma and Primo VE. We expect the project to be completed by the of June 2022. We on hold waiting for Wolf to work with OCLC to get numbers added to their records before migration.

Work continues with setting up holdings updates for Rapid ILL in Alma. Contacts at all participating SUS libraries have been reached and implementation work is at varying stages for each. Approximately half of the SUS have holdings successfully uploaded and indexed at Rapid ILL.

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We are continuing to clean up orphan bibliographic records in Alma that have no holdings, items, or portfolios attached. The records are causing problems with UBarrow. Some of the records are migrated, but others were created in Alma. We are working with each institution to first, suppress the records, then each institution reviews their set to determine which, if any, of the records should be deleted, remain suppressed or be unsuppressed after items or portfolios are attached.

E-Resources

R. Erb stated the E-Resources Collections and Acquisitions Specialist is in the interviewing process.

The EBSCO contract is still with them for signatures as of this week. Lexis Nexis, Springer Nature, and Elsevier are still in negotiations.

The CMESC formed a task force and R. Erb will work with them on revising the Guidelines. This document will also be shared with external CSUL committees (ERS and CAC) and the state colleges for their review and recommendations. Ultimately, these guidelines will need to be approved by FLVC's and FSU's Contracts Administrators.

The e-journal negotiation teams discussion is still ongoing. FLVC staff will serve on the teams to send the agreements to FLVC's Contracts Administrator, who will then liaise with FSU's Contracts Administrator. There was a discussion about the strict timeline and process. The teams will begin working approximately 18 months in advance. There is an interest in discussing the process further with FSU's procurement.

Library Support and Training

B. Erb stated there are four schools remaining for OpenAthens implementation. They are waiting until summer to make the switch.

Whisenant gave an overview of the ELUNA enhancement process for Alma and Primo. FLVC will provide a recommended list of enhancements so that libraries who are institutional members of ELUNA will know which ones to vote on. Voting occurs in the spring with the final vote in June.

Digital Services and OER

Cummings-Sauls reported Student survey on ZTC indicator returned positive result and the main suggestion for improvement was to make this more prominent for students to find. We are continuing to monitor products and services for digital services and OER, including supporting digital profile and record integration into Alma/Primo VE, reviewing Open Alex and Unpaywall opportunities, etc.

After recent developments in the Islandora community and with the State Library affirmation that developed code will be pushed to the community. FLVC made a recommendation for migration from Islandora 7 to Islandora 8/9 (2.0) to DISC. DISC



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agreed and approved this recommendation, which will be forthcoming at the MCLS meeting in March. FLVC is reviewing setup and migration tools in preparation of this decision. We are actively monitoring OJS software development for a 3.4.8 or later version to resolve two current known issues.

FL OER Summit 2022 planning committee has met twice now. Decided to date that a virtual format will be best this year due to increased participation, fiscal concerns for travel budget availability, covid potential, and overwhelming positive responses from past attendees. Tentative dates for this year are May 18-19.

Draft March MCLS Agenda Topics

The DISC recommendation was added to the March MCLS agenda.

New Business

The next scheduled Executive Committee meetings are scheduled for March 17 and April 21. The next MCLS meetings are scheduled for March 3-4, 2022, and June 2-3, 2022.

Meeting adjourned 2:20 p.m. EST.

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