Council of Chief Librarians (CCL) Report to ASCCC

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CCL had an Executive Board meeting on January 27.

Operations

* CCL is operating comfortably within its budget. Operating costs are starting to increase since we are no longer meeting entirely virtually.
* The Board met in-person in October.

Library Services Platform (LSP) Update

* Working with Foundation and New Contract
  + The Chancellor’s Office has requested that the Foundation for California Community Colleges work with CCL to negotiate the new contract with ExLibris. Rancho Santiago will continue to be the fiscal agent. John, Gregg, and Amy (CCL President, CCL Executive Director, and Consortium Director, respectively) have met with representatives of the Foundation to discuss the negotiations. Although the Foundation representatives are not librarians, they are listening to CCL and discussions have been positive thus far. We also had our first meeting with the Clarivate team to discuss the framework of the contract negotiations.
* CCCCO Response to CCL Proposals
  + CCL does not yet have a signed agreement for 2022-23 with the Chancellor’s Office regarding the LSP. However, the agreement is expected to be the same as the 2021-22 agreement.
  + CCL needs to make a couple additions to its MOU with the Community College League of CA (CCLC). Gregg shared the language of the proposed additions to Appendix 1 of the MOU. The changes relate to use of excess funds and the payment schedule.
* CCL has requested that unallocated LSP funds be used for statewide 3-year contracts for OCLC metadata, hosted EZ Proxy, and LibKey. Note: LibKey is similar to a link resolver. It's an add-on to the discovery system. It points students to full-text resources with less "clicks".

There is an indication that the Chancellor’s Office agrees with this, but CCL is still waiting for official confirmation.

Consortium (CCL and CCLC) Director’s Report

* The Consortium is exploring offers from Digital Theater, JAMA, Kanopy, Canva, Padlet, JOVE.
* The roll-out of LibKey has started. Multi-college institutions will roll out after single-college institutions.
* Wednesday Webinars will run Feb. 1 – May 10. Crump suggestion for next academic year---CCL webinar on ASCCC, highlighting opportunities for library faculty
* TexShare, a database consortium in Texas, recently moved from EBSCO to Proquest. A number of TexShare consortium members currently subscribe to databases through the CCLC consortium. The Consortium has agreed to work with several 2-year colleges in the TexShare consortium so that they can maintain EBSCO databases.
* Alma implementations continue to present more challenges to multi-college institutions.

CCL-EAR (Electronic Access and Resources Committee)

* CCL-EAR met in October in-person for the first time in years. The committee continues to focus on DEIAA. They plan to send out a survey. The committee is working on an ongoing methodology for weeding the old Netlibrary books. Several reviews will be coming out in the spring.

LLRPAC (Chancellor’s Office Library & Learning Resources Programs Advisory Committee (LLRPAC) has not yet met this academic year.

Telecommunications and Technology Advisory Committee (TTAC)

* There are no new dollars for colleges in the current budget. Based on the success of the LSP, CISOA pushed for a statewide ERP (student / business information system) but was turned down. The State is requiring colleges to adopt new security measures and offer online courses through the California Virtual Campus.

ASCCC Updates

* When the schedule for the next set of Chancellor’s Office “Learning Tour” visits to colleges are announced, CCL will notify library managers and faculty of the opportunity to attend.
* CSU plans for Lifelong Learning as a graduation requirement (could be taken as upper-division) as opposed to current GE transfer requirements---effect on CCC library courses.
* With the roll-out of AB 1705/705, it makes sense to include library courses as supplementary instruction.
* Almost half of OERI liaisons are librarians.

ACCJC Proposed Accreditation Standards

* Unfortunately, the 2024 draft standards include just one reference to the library and it is again interspersed with student services. There are no documentation requirements relating to the library.  See additional accreditation information under “CCL Committees Breakouts and Reports.”

Annual Library Data Survey

* Doug Achterman (retired library faculty director, Gavilan College) will be working with the Chancellor’s Office and CCL to ensure a smoother rollout of next year’s survey.

Deans & Directors Meeting (March 23-24) – Embassy Suites Sacramento

Planned topics/speakers to include:

* Library Management 101 (training session for new and prospective library managers)
* LSP Update/Vision for the Future of LSP
* DEIAA Librarian Panel and Questions
* CCL Executive Director
* ASCCC President
* Consortium Director
* CCLC President/CEO
* Chancellor’s Office Representatives (Technology and Educational Services)

CCL Committees Breakouts and Reports

The committees broke into two groups: 1) Advocacy Committee and 2) Leadership & Professional Development and Current Issues Committees, which met jointly.

* The joint committees discussed the possibility of a more extensive restructuring of CCL board organization that relies on a workgroup or project-based model versus a 2 or 3 committee model.
* The joint group assigned tasks for the Deans & Directors meeting and has a planning meeting scheduled for February 6.
* The Advocacy Committee wants to link to the LSP DEIAA statement, with prominent placement of the CCL website.
* In follow-up to Advocacy Committee discussion, John will reach out to Catherine Webb, ACCJC Vice President, regarding the proposed standards. Gregg will draft a letter to the ACCJC.  In a follow-up to the CCL meeting, John did communicate with Catherine. She noted that “in terms of next steps in the process, the draft Standards will go through a second round of public comment and dialogue during spring 2023.  The comment form on the ACCJC website remains live, and we are hosting four virtual town halls (two in February and two in April).  As with the fall comment period, the Standards Review Leadership Team welcomes constructive suggestions for further clarification and refinement.  The Leadership Team will meet again in late spring to consider suggestions from the field and make final adjustments to the draft before it is presented to the Commission for second reading and adoption in June.”

Next Board Meeting:   Monday, March 6, 2023 (3:00-4:00 pm) [Virtual]