

Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 7, 2005
Skeen Library, New Mexico Tech
Cooperative Collection Development Group
New Mexico Association of Academic Research Libraries

Present: Susan Beck, NMSU; Joan Shedivy, NMT; Joe Becker, NMSU; Linda Lewis, UNM-Zimmerman; Erinn Aspinall, UNM Health Sciences; Eileen Cohen, UNM-Law; Stephanie Wical, NMT

1. Discussion of current budgets and future cancellation projects

UNM: Linda Lewis reports that it has been 3 years since their last cancellation. UNM will be canceling \$750,000 in serials. They are looking closely at Elsevier and Wiley lists, hoping to have an initial cancel list by May. They have proposed to the University to receive 2% of the research overhead. UNM will be using their 2004 bond monies in a different way than with the 2002 monies and their current focus is to split bond monies 3 ways: proposals from faculty, proposals from library desiderata, equipment replacement.

NMSU: Joe Becker reports that it has been 4 years since their last cancellation (Spring 2001). NMSU anticipates a serials review in spring 2006 with most of the preparation completed in fall 2005. As research overhead benefits--in the past years were used to stave off a serials cancellation--have diminished over time, 2004 bond monies will be used to meet material budget obligations.

NMT: Stephanie Wical reports that NMT is gathering usage statistics in preparation for possible 2005-06 cancellations, thinking that low use titles could be targets. Stephanie also reports that they have identified 5 journal-rich departments with under utilized titles.

UNM Law: Eileen Cohen reports that they have already begun serials cancellations by identifying competing and specialized practitioner titles. They have cancelled all paper subscriptions when electronic access is available. They are now subscribing to 1 copy of the reporters and not 2. Overall, Law is aggressively pursuing electronic formats.

UNM Health Sciences: Erinn Aspinall (representing Christee King) reports that Health Sciences has no set dollar amount for cancellations; however, they will most likely be canceling journal subscriptions.

2. Discussion and sharing of book/media vendor contracts

Stephanie Wical has asked us to bring copies of our contracts, if possible, to share. In answer to Stephanie's question regarding exclusivity clauses in approval plan agreements, no one at the meeting had encountered this practice before. UNM uses Yankee as does the Law Library. Discounts with Yankee vary by amount and type of material requested. NMSU has Blackwell as their approval plan vendor. They were with ABC prior to two years ago but Blackwell acquired ABC along with all ABC's clients. Health Sciences uses Majors but they don't have a contract per se. In fact, no library reports having a contract with an approval plan vendor.

3. Electronic packages quotes—please bring copies of quotes, if available

IEEE

The group commented that the quote (\$218,000 for 45 simultaneous users) was beyond the budgets of the participants; that it needed to be \$150,000 or less and that the estimated number of concurrent users was too high. Susan Beck noted that she would touch base with vendor rep, Wendy McCarville, to see about alternate pricing options with fewer concurrent users.

ACM

Stephanie Wical distributed Tim Bennett's quote from ACM. For ACM there has to be at least three libraries in a consortium to get any sort of price break on the digital library and proceedings. UNM gets ACM through a larger consortium (GWLA) and as they get a better discount than they would with our small group, there would be no incentive for them to get it along with us. Stephanie has forwarded the information to Corinne Lebrun (formerly Machado)/AISTI and has suggested to Tim that he contact Corinne to seek a deal with AISTI.

Scopus

Stephanie Wical reported that Elsevier has requested that their quote not be shared and that confidentiality must be upheld. In contrast with ISI, Scopus does not yet have the functionality in database design that they would like.

INSPEC

Joe Becker reports that EBSCO is offering decent pricing on this product and he will seek out price quotes for the group.

4. New business

FTE

Susan Beck requested feedback on the FTE handout posted on the AARL web site. Group members suggested adding a general FTE breakdown on page 1 similar to that for the Sciences/Engineering. Also, the science/engineering FTE needs to include the Health Sciences students. Christee King has alerted Susan to these numbers via e-mail.

March 30th report

The Deans and Directors group will meet in Albuquerque on March 30th and are requesting formal reports from each committee about their work this year to date. Susan Beck requested input on what points to emphasize in the report as she will be delivering it. Items noted included the group has begun to develop an identity and is working on consortia offers. It has shared valuable data in the ways of cancellation lists, collection-related policies (weeding, gifts, etc.) and is working towards assessing individual collection strengths as a means of multi-institutional collection development strategies. The group will continue to share serials cancellation lists.

New leadership

Susan Beck announced that she will be taking sabbatical Spring 2006 so the group will need to elect or choose a new chair by December 2005 at the very latest.

5. Next meeting

Directions and ideas presented at the March 30th Deans and Directors meeting may necessitate an April meeting. Susan Beck will be in touch regarding the next meeting date.