

Library Management Team
Notes from the August 28, 2002 Meeting

Attending: Ross Atkinson, Lee Cartmill, Karen Calhoun, Claire Germain, Tom Hickerson, Anne Kenney, Janet McCue, Jean Poland, Ed Weissman

1) u-Portal

Tom reported that the Library received a lot of real estate on the u-Portal page <<http://uportal.cornell.edu>> although library resources and services are presented in a format that is based on the pre-redesign Library home page. Maureen Morris, CUL's Web Librarian, will be contacting the u-Portal Team at CIT to request changes in this regard. (Jean mentioned that the Library was not represented under the Research tab.) More significantly, the conceptual framework for the u-Portal design is to fragment information while the Gateway attempts to present the Library as a unified whole. Nevertheless, CIT's intention is to have u-Portal replace Bear Access and LMT agreed that we should be working with CIT as u-Portal evolves. Tom suggested that we name a CUL u-Portal Team or representative for this purpose before the October 23 LMT-CIT meeting. First, however, LMT needs to be educated about u-Portal, channels, and the underlying technology. Ed will arrange a special meeting for this purpose.

2) Digital Projects & Initiatives Web Site

LMT discussed the relationship between the Digital Projects & Initiatives Web Site <<http://www.library.cornell.edu/digital/>> created by IRIS and the Digital Development Web Site <<http://www.library.cornell.edu/digdev>> site created by D-LIT, both of which are considered works-in-progress. Tom will ask Deb Gagnon, Nancy McGovern, Angela Horne and Bill Kara to draft a proposal stating what we need and how we should proceed to develop and maintain a single site. This proposal will be brought back to LMT for approval.

3) e-Reserves and Copyright

Tom reported on the creation of the CUL Copyright Service. Work is proceeding on a flow chart which will be taken to unit libraries for review. The service will be promoted to faculty in workshops scheduled for this fall. While the focus of these workshops is how the copyright laws affect what faculty do, Peter Hirtle will be on the programs and he can speak to the e-reserves situation. The legal interpretation by Counsels Office that copyright must be cleared for material put on e-reserve for more than one semester could result in the need to pay significantly more in royalty payments next year than we are paying this year. Tom will try to develop an estimate. There was broad and strong agreement, however, that the Library should not allow the diminishment of e-reserve's critical importance.

4) Access to Licensed Resources by Retired Faculty and Staff

LMT endorsed Ross' proposal that emeritus faculty but not retired faculty and staff, be granted access to licensed resources. The rationale for this policy is that Emeritus faculty are still faculty, and it is assumed that they are still active and engaged in research. This is not the case for retired (vs. emeritus) faculty or retired staff.

5) Announcements

Anne announced that the Tower Cafe is opening in Uris Library on September 2.

Edward Weissman