

To: Matt Conner, LAUC President

From: Sue Chesley Perry, Head of UCSC Library Digital Initiatives; LAUC appointee to Strategic Action Group 2 for Access, Discovery & Infrastructure (SAG2)

Re: SAG2 Report, April 14, 2015

SAG2 is charged to make decisions for the University of California Libraries' shared services and collaborative activities in the functional areas of discovery, access, digital assets management, and user experience research and analysis. As part of that charge, SAG2 develops and advises on policy, procedure, and service development within our functional portfolio. We may charge project teams to research or develop new services or improve existing services. We also collaborate and consult with other SAGs on policy, projects, and services crossing SAG functional areas.

All meeting minutes can be found

at: <http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/sag2/meetings>

The group meets twice monthly via conference call and has had one face-to-face meeting this year. We reviewed the CoUL Plans and Priorities document to identify new initiatives and other items that may be missing from our portfolio. The group has worked with the Coordinating Committee to address models for cross-SAG collaboration and communication, as well as roles of the SAGs in the operating teams. Group members participated in the assessment of the UCLAS structure, providing honest feedback to the consultant, coordinating committee, and CoUL. SAG2 worked regularly with several operations teams and CKGs including the courier management team, the ILL CKG, the UC-eLinks operations team, the Cedilla project team and shared print strategy team charged by SAG3.

Highlights from our activities this year are:

Last year the group charged a digital reference operations team and proposed a service manager from UCI to coordinate participation in the OCLC QuestionPoint service. Now that the team and the service manager have been in place for a year, we're currently evaluating the position and its impact on the host campus, UCI.

We communicated regularly with the UC Libraries Digital Collections (UCLDC) project team on the status of their project as they prepare to launch the public interface this summer.

Last year SAG2 charged a team to craft a shared metadata policy for the UC Libraries in response to CoUL's Plans and Priorities. This year the project team delivered the policy with input from SAG2 and several other groups. The policy has been accepted by CoUL.

The SAG is also working on two different strategy documents. One sub-group is planning an investigation of the current state of system-side discovery issues and opportunities. They will prepare a briefing document and recommendations by fall 2015.

A second sub-group is exploring strategic directions for UC digital collections and digital asset management. This group's report will provide guidance to the libraries and the UCLDC team for next steps and future directions for the digital collections and collaborative digital library projects.