

NMCAL Retreat

The Lodge, Cloudcroft, NM

August 7, 2006

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Guests Present: Joy Poole (NMSL), Patricia Hewett (NMSL)

Statewide Database Purchase – presentation by Joy Poole, Director/Public Services
**New Mexico State Library is currently sponsoring InfoTrac databases and Business Resource Center databases access for all NM citizens. This November there will be either new databases or these will be renewed. It is in the bidding process right now.

Joy will check to see if these databases could be renewed until December so there is no change in the middle of the semester. Starting 2008, the State Library will see to it that any changes to database access will occur in August prior to the start of the semester.

**Joy has been in communication with the Legislature's Information and Technology Committee. She has been educating the legislators as to what the State Library has been providing and how, and what the needs are. For instance, the databases the State Library currently provide costs approximately \$180,000. If each institution purchased these separately it could cost the taxpayers up to \$10 mil.

**At issue is the State Procurement code which hinders the State Library staff in researching vendors and their products such as they can not ask customizable questions. The questions are dictated and must be broached equally to all vendors. The State Library can contract with universities who are exempt from the State Procurement code.

Therefore, in the future the State Library will serve as the administrator for access to statewide databases and Eastern New Mexico University will serve as the fiscal agent.

**Some concerns about Infotrac not being "user friendly".

**Joy appealed to the group to consider assisting in the changing of the State Procurement codes.

**Discussion ensued regarding NMCAL meeting with the Legislature's Information and Technology Committee to simply educate and inform.

Follow-up NMCAL discussion – facilitated by Melveta Walker

**EBSCO and ProQuest were contacted regarding statewide purchase to get figures if 100% of all institutions of higher education in NM participated.

**There could be a 20-30% discount over each institution paying individually. For instance, ProQuest submitted a bid of \$250,000 for all schools to have access to ABI-Inform, Research Library and Literature Online (individually it would be \$350,000). EBSCO's bid was \$278,000 for Academic Search Elite, CINAHL, and Business (??) databases (individually it would be \$350,000).

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- **One school would be the fiscal agent, one contract with the vendor.
- **Janis Teal reported HSLIC's experience with consortial agreements through ASTI and also, health sciences libraries.
- **There was discussion around using AMIGOS to negotiate.
- **The need for a health-related database across all institutions was discussed. Some preferred EBSCO's Health Source Premier, some Gale's Health & Wellness Resource Center, and ProQuest's Allied Nursing Journals came up.

NMSL/OCLC Group Services – presentation by Patricia Hewitt, Director/Technical Services

- **State Library buying OCLC cataloging and ILL for small libraries that don't currently have access, providing WorldCat for all citizens to search, and a Group Catalog through FirstSearch with New Mexico library holdings.
- **Using Federal funding...LSTA
- **The pricing agreement is guaranteed for four years with a renewal each year.
- **WorldCat access for all citizens will be through the local public library, or local academic institution (need to change in FirstSearch Admin. Module)
- **There will be training available for all libraries that joined this first round...web-based, live-online
- **Can control ILL requests through Admin. Module...ie.patron finds item on WorldCat, click on "get this book", request goes to ILL staff...still library to library.
- **This State Library Group Services project is saving academic libraries anywhere from \$2,000 for the smaller community colleges to approx. \$30,000 for UNM
- **Be sure to contact Patricia (476-9730) if you have not already signed up for Group Services.

Formula Funding – presentation by Ruben Aragón, Legislative committee

- * HED (Higher Education Dept.) has new staff who are not familiar with the funding formula.
- * Previous formula was based on Bowker/statistical annual inflation costs.
- * Should still be a line item but the State isn't funding it/State funding now goes to I & G
- * We need to review statistical peer data to present to HED
- * Formula needs to include books, journals, electronic databases; formula needs to include inflationary figures (ie. Journal costs inflating at a rate of 8%); formula needs to stay away from the stipulation that it is only for items that can be capitalized; formula needs to account for types of students served (graduate, research, vo-tech,etc.)
- * We need to get examples from other states
- * We need to communicate this issue to our respective campus directors/presidents/provosts.

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* We need to coordinate with other organizations such as AARL (American Assoc. of Research Libraries) and meet with HED, CUP (Council of University Presidents) and NMACC (NM Assoc. of Community Colleges)

* We need to include in our conversations not just what we've spent (IPEDs stats) but what we **haven't** been able to purchase and/or what **cuts** we've had to make

* Legislative Committee is open for new members...the remaining members are Ruben Aragón and Isabel Rodarte (4 yr.), and Carol Frick and Sharon Jenkins (2 yr).

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AREAS OF CONCERN

1. Library Services to Native Americans

- * UNM reported on their Indigenous Nations Library Program (INLP)
- * HSLIC reported on their new Native American Health Information Services (HAHIS) program under the leadership of Pat Bradley, Native Services Librarian. This program includes HSLIC's Native Health History and Research Databases
- * NMSU reported on their new building and Native American Studies program
- * At least five institutions stated they have a Native American Studies academic program

2. NMLA/MPLA – March 14-16, 2007 – Albuquerque

- * Louise Hoffman (SJC) is our contact for programs and/or speakers
- * Proposals are due October 30th.
- * Do we want to sponsor a speaker and/or a presentation? Keynote speaker? Banquet speaker? Pre-conference presentation? Do we want to consider the topic of Library Services to Native Americans? Would we work with NMLA's NASIG?

3. NMCAL Website – reviewed by Dr. Titus (NMSU), reported by Melveta Walker

- * Need to put load minutes, last ones available are from Ruidoso meeting
- * Committee chairs should update their member lists
- * Need to add link to Travel Scholarship form
- * Need to review the Professional Development committee...what is the mission?
- * Updates to website should go to Carol Boyse at NMSU (cboyse@lib.nmsu.edu), requests to be added to/deleted from the NMCAL listserv should go to Chad Kurzawski at UNM (ckurzaws@unm.edu)

4. Salaries – reported by Melveta Walker (ENMU)

- * Using CUPA (College and University Personnel Association) statistics:
Median salary for Professional Librarian with 1500 FTE or less = \$40, 779
1569-2871 FTE = \$45,000
2872-7778 FTE = \$46,000

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Median salary for Library Directors by University budget:

\$28 mil. or less = \$53,410

\$28 mil - \$57 mil = \$67,994

\$57 mil - \$138 mil = \$85,013

\$138 mil and up = \$126,000

*From the NM Dept of Labor website, entry level Library support staff starting salary ranges from \$9.21/hr to \$14.10/hr.

* We can take into consideration qualifications, performance based pay, equity adjustment surveys but institutions still don't have the money to pay

* Staffing shortages/vacancies not being filled is another issue

* Is this another item for CUP and NMACC? Can't prove our worth as in money generated or FTE but can use NCES and show administration where we fit in the picture, how we compare

5. GO Bond – reported by Ruben Aragón

* Importance of Legislative Day, importance of having the NMCAL general business meeting the day before, importance of meeting separately the morning of Legislative Day as academic librarians and meeting close to the Roundhouse

* Reminder to use the “talking points” when talking with administrators and/or legislators

* Encourage directors to send substitute/library representative to Legislative Day if you can't attend

* Need to check Legislature schedules to get date ASAP

* PR/Branding – business card, post-its with NMCAL, NMCAL folder with info. on your institution – “We ARE higher education of New Mexico”, show our identity, the # of students we serve

* Bonds for Books steering committee will meet end of August

* Bond C = \$3 million

* Everyone should have gotten an e-mail from Isabel Rodarte with the projected bond money disbursement using last Fall's FTE figures. Formula includes \$48/FTE for Community colleges, \$48.50/FTE for Comprehensive, \$49.127/FTE for Research institutions.

* Thanks to folks like Ruben Aragón and Carol Frick, HED has been educated as to the delineation of how we use the bond money – our discretion as long as it provides **access to information for students**

* Should Legislative Committee investigate how SIPI and Crownpoint Institute get included in the bond allocation?

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6. Virtual Reference Consortium – suggested by Molly Morris (Doña Ana CC)

- * wondered if we should explore consortial pricing for virtual reference software
- * maybe we could arrange a trial...QuestionPoint, 24/7
- * addressing understaffed reference librarians, distance ed. services, myspace.com generation

7. Best Practices – innovative procedures or services

This was a new feature added to the meeting which was a real success. Almost every institution in the room shared information about services, collections, tips, advice, etc. It was far too detailed to go into so PLEASE share what you learned with your colleagues that were unable to attend. Sharon Jenkins said she will bring this idea up at the ACRL Effective Practices Committee meeting in September.

NMCAL BUSINESS MEETING

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*Meeting called to order 11:05am.

*Agenda approved.

*Appreciation plaque presented to outgoing president Carol Frick.

*The minutes from the January 24, 2006 meeting in Santa Fe were approved with corrections being provided by Louise Hoffman.

*Treasurer's report – Melveta Walker(President) and Molly Morris (Treasurer) will be on the signature card for the bank account. Louise Hoffman checked into putting some monies in a money market but the interest rate didn't warrant it. She reported that the dues usually cover most of the annual expenses so there is an ongoing balance.

* New Business:

**Formula Funding Initiative – motion by Fran Wilkinson, seconded by Norice Lee, unanimously approved...Motion to charge the Legislative Committee with a full investigation for formula funding options including books, journals and electronic databases as well as investigating other states' formulas, and to be sure to include the inflationary rate.

**Consortial Database Pricing – will report findings at next meeting.

**Welcome New Members – Clyde Henderson, Library Director, Crownpoint Institute of Technology and Judy Hooks, Library Director, Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute.

**PR for Legislative Issues – motion by Dennis Davies-Wilson, seconded by Louise Hoffman, unanimously approved...Motion to have the Board investigate marketing and PR materials for NMCAL with a budget of up to \$750.

**NMLA/MPLA – motion by Dennis Davies-Wilson, seconded by Molly Morris, unanimously approved after “friendly amendment” added...Move that NMCAL will provide funding up to \$5,000 for honorarium, travel and lodging for a pre-conference workshop, keynote speaker, or multiple presenters at NMLA/MPLA in March 2007.

** No new committee reports.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50am.