

Report of UT Electronic Resources Librarians
November 15, 2013

The UT Electronic Resources Librarians met at the Tenn-Share DataFest on September 19, 2013 at the Nashville Public Library. The following attended that meeting: Gayle Baker, Martha Earl, Katie Gohn, Corey Halaychik, Adam Kemper, J. Michael Lindsay, Charley Remy, and Deborah Taylor. Prior to this meeting several UT e-resource librarians participated in a conference call, along with Abbie Shellist. A pdf summary of that meeting is provided with this report.

Corey Halaychik distributed a flowchart of the Master Agreement. (For more information about Master Agreements, see <http://web.utk.edu/~to/contracts/masteragreements/mafaq.html>.)

We respectfully disagree about barriers of subscription dates and a central source of funds for proration. In the conference call Abbie Shellist indicated that she encountered these barriers to reaching an agreement. In addition, there was also a problem with different numbers of simultaneous users.

Charley Remy and Katie Gohn did an environmental scan of academic library consortia for public university systems. They found that a number of the university systems provide central funding for a core group of e-resources for all of their campuses.

Plans for 2013-2014

- We are looking into duplication of certain database subscriptions across the libraries in the UT System. They might be combined to save money by centrally funding many of them in a consortium account.
 - Combined medical (nursing) and 4-year campus
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 - 4-year campus
- Katie Gohn will gather data from each library for titles. Among the data will be subscription start/end dates, subscription price, vendor, variants of the title.
 - Medical (UTC, UTK, UTM, UTMCK, UTHSC)
 - CINAHL (UTK has CINAHL Complete, other campuses have some variant of CINAHL; we should go after CINAHL Complete for all campuses)
 - PsycINFO
 - 4-year (UTC, UTK, UTM)
 - America: History & Life (UTK will have full-text version Dec. 2013)
 - Historical Abstracts (UTK will have full-text version Dec. 2013)
 - ERIC
 - GeoRef
 - MLA
 - PsycARTICLES
- We will work with Abbie Shellist on this project.

The next meeting will be at the 2014 meeting of TLA in Murfreesborough (April 30 – May 2). In addition to our meeting, we will meet with TBR librarians to discuss the possibilities for collaboration.

At the meeting, Katie Gohn was elected by acclamation as the next convener of the UT Systems E-Resources Librarians for the next two fiscal years.

Submitted by Gayle Baker