Discovery Working Group

Minutes – Thursday, January 19, 2017

Present: Stephanie Bartz, Judy Cohn, Vibiana Cvetkovic (by VTEL), Melissa De Fino (for Mary Beth Weber), Rebecca Gardner, Christi Lutz, Rhonda Marker, Chad Mills (Co-Chair), Gracemary Smulewitz, Elizabeth Sosnowska (Co-Chair), Bobbi Tipton (by phone), Yingting Zhang

Agenda/Topic	Discussion/Issues	Decision/Action
Work Group Dynamics: Minutes & member participation	Need to continue bi-weekly schedule throughout the semester.	Meetings will take place the first Thursday of the month from 1:30 – 4:30 PM and on the third Wednesday of the month from 9:30 – 12:30. The UL Conference Room will be booked along with VTEL to Robeson (Room 290) and Dana, Special Collections (Room 454) Minute taking will rotate among the members. Cohn will take minutes at today's meeting.
Approval of Short and Long-term Link Resolver Recommendations	Refer to minutes of 12/1/16 meeting, recommendations document revised 12/20/16. There are seven recommendations.	Cabinet review of the recommendations needed. Will submit for the 1/24 agenda.
Google Scholar Access Issues	Known problem in access to Google Scholar (reported at Rutgers and beyond) when users go through the proxy to search. Appears to Google as too much traffic is coming from a single IP source (RU proxy server), and it is interpreted by Google as abuse. Then, Google shuts down the service to the IP. This occurred over winter break (12/27) which is poor timing as many users access resources remotely during that time. UNC has encountered this problem and has laid out possible solutions as follows: (1) do nothing, proxy all service through the search page to Scholar, (2) put instructions for configuring Scholar account settings on the website, and (3) add the Google search box to the database description page (using a pre-scoped search). Option 3 successfully implemented at UNC.	Mills & Sosnowska will: 1) Send message to RUL-everyone: we're aware of the problem and are in the process of addressing/fixing it 2) Develop Google search box for RUL page (place where the 'Connect' button is) 3) Test internally 4) Consult with UNC, re: does the institution association stick? What level of confusion has the solution caused users? Any bugs you're still trying to work out?
Proposed Improvements to Articles+: • Revisedfiltering of e-book collections not included in EDS index • Normalization of full-text links	Need for revised filtering of e-book collections that are not in EDS index. In EDS, limit to 'catalog only' is the label given to the Ebrary ebooks (170,000 books). It is intended for an institution's 'library catalog,' though we have instead put	Recommendation to remove 'Catalog Only' limit option or to relabel, if it is needed, to include Ebrary content in the search results. If kept, a label other than 'Catalog Only' would need to be decided on.

	Ebrary content there. Ebrary is also in the Databases list, which appears below as a limit (even more confusing). The database refinement (source of info) represents only our partner databases (those for which we have a subscription). Need to take off 'catalog only' listing as a limit. Inquiry submitted to EBSCO asking how Ebrary showed up in the list of partner databases. Request to remove 'Catalog only' option so long as Ebrary content is still included when searching. If so, can it still appear in the list of databases below? 'Retrieve Catalog Item' to be relabeled as well. This is part of our Recommendation #6 to standardize to a more uniformed label. It is unclear whether limit to "Full-text" includes Ebrary contents. The standardized label should also be the same for full-text books as well as journal articles.	The standardized label should also be the same for full-text books as well as articles. Need to normalize full-text links. At least 2 choices are required: (1) Get it @ R, and (2) DWG members submit recommendations to co-chairs by 1/26. Lutz and Zhang to review examples of search box tabs and search options from other academic research libraries homepages and report back.
RUL-subscribed E-book collections	A brief of overview of our objective to improve discovery of e-books provided.	Smulewitz will prepare a list of all current ebook collections, including provider, availability of MARC records, and indexing within EDS. The list will help members better understand the scope of the collection and options for discovery. To be reviewed at next meeting on 2/2.
Next meeting on 2/2	Topics to include: 1. Cabinet response to link resolver recommendations 2. Ebrary: EBSCO responses to questions 3. Recommendations on labelling full-text content 4. Plunge into improving searching of e-books	
Announcements	An ExLibris presentation including a demo of Primo and Summon will take place in the Lecture Hall at ALEX on Thursday, Feb 9 at 9:30 AM.	All Discovery WG members encouraged to attend. There will be VTEL sites Dana, Smith & Robeson.

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