

Transportation Library Connectivity & Development
Pooled Fund Study TPF-5(237)
TAC Meeting – 3/20/14 – Minutes

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Agenda:

TOPIC: Commodity, Catalyst or Change-Agent? Data-driven Transformations in Research, Education, Business and Society – Leighton Christiansen

1. At the pooled fund annual meeting the group decided to focus more on data issues. We sent Leighton to the International Data Curation Conference in February. Kendra Levine, Amanda Wilson and Mary Moulton also attended.
2. You can view most everything from the conference at their website, <http://www.dcc.ac.uk/events/idcc14>. See the right side of the page for links to posters and presentations. If there is a paper that catches your eye, Leighton know and he can send it to you.
3. Leighton likes this conference, but he doesn't feel it's the best one. There is a conference called Research Data Access & Preservation Summit that better fits our needs
4. Questions
 - Sheila – What are you doing at your library Leighton to work with others in your agency? Not a lot right now, partly due to the culture.
 - Dale – In making connections with iSchools, how many of them have a remote class you can connect with? Of the 16 iSchools that have data curation, 3 or 4 have a distance component.
 - Laura – We really appreciate you bringing this information back to the group. The implications of what we've heard is a bit overwhelming.
 - Maggie – It's a good suggestion to work data experts so we don't have to be experts ourselves and still get the information and access to skills we need.
 - Maggie – What is the low hanging fruit that we can grab at right now? We can invite other members of our transportation community into the discussion with us. Leighton – We should organize something with Amanda regarding the DOT feedback on the OSTP memo.

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Business meeting

FFY14 Group Special Projects

1. The TAC approved an increased budget for the Research Report Documentation & Access Project from \$35,000 to \$39,948, which is the budget submitted by TransAnalytics, the chosen contractor.
2. You can find LibGuides training session dates at <http://help.springshare.com/training>. There are further trainings in the next week. Maggie will let the group know what the April dates will be. Try to get someone on your staff to attend if possible.
 - Thank you to the folks who volunteered to be administrators.
 - Carol volunteered to be an administrator.
 - Maggie is drafting policies on who can access these guides. She will also pick out some best practices for the group in using the guides.
 - Sheila – The LibGuides came out at the same time as the ASTM standards trial. It's hard to manage them both at the same time. Maggie – Take advantage of the LibGuides while we have access to the subscription.
 - Jane – You can go in and play around with them and set it so no one can view them. It's a good way to learn the system.
3. Multistate Cataloging Project – Chris Mulder is currently working on CA, MN and ID records. The MI records are finished.
 - Chris needs to hear from the remaining states in the project about how they want her to proceed with their records. You can send her records via Google or the mail.

News

1. The Alaska University Transportation Research Center was not able to get funding for pooled fund membership for FFY14. Maggie did extend an invitation to be a partner with the pooled fund to keep them connected to us.
2. Use the Listserv to share any news you have with the group.

SLA 2014 – Vancouver, BC

1. So far seven folks have been approved to attend the conference. There are four approvals still pending.
2. Everyone has been registered for the conference and Kirsten will have a hotel in the next few days. Kirsten will ask for flight itineraries in April.
3. Here is a link to the current per diem rates for Vancouver, http://aoprals.state.gov/web920/per_diem_action.asp?MenuHide=1&CountryCode=1079&PostCode=10123&PublicationDate=20140301.
 - We can use the daily per diem totals in Vancouver, instead of having to adhere to separate meal totals.

Miscellaneous

1. MTKN meeting – Bob Sweet offered to host a joint pooled fund annual meeting/MTKN meeting at UMTRI in Ann Arbor. Please let Maggie know if you don't want to go there or if you would like to offer to host the meeting this fall.
2. National Library Week – It's April 13-19th. We will have files for each TKN brochures to print in-house. We won't have them printed by that time. Each TKN needs to decide on text and section

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headings to use. Jenny Green, the designer, has provided options to choose from. We would like all of the TKNs to have the same text/section headings to be the same to show unity across the TKNs.

- We can also choose from the digital files ALA offers to purchase for the group. Carol likes the live change bookmark and the mini poster. Kathy likes the digital files. Maggie will order the supplies for everyone. Caltrans only wants bookmarks and MnDOT doesn't need supplies.
 - Caltrans took the theme of "Lives Change" as how can they change people's lives. They are working on their own poster to fit the theme into transportation.
3. Leighton suggests changing National Transportation Week to National Transportation Library Week (May 11-18). We can have our own logo and materials. Maggie will look at our funds to see if we have any money to create a logo and materials. She will also talk to Leighton to get his ideas.
- Maggie – Do the DOTs usually celebrate National Transportation Week? Several folks haven't heard of this. If your DOT has something going on, can the libraries piggyback on those activities?
 - Leighton – He's giving a lecture at the Iowa Transportation Museum that week. He suggests having an event at your library that week, like a speaker.

Next meeting: June 19, 2014