

Present: Serin Anderson, Jim Bunnelle, Tom Larsen, Hilary Robbeloth, Nancy Sprague, Kathi Fountain (Alliance), Barbara Kawecki (YBP), Janet Lerch (YBP)

Updates

1. OCLC feed/deletion files [Kathi]: The removal of titles that are turned off is going more smoothly. Primary lesson learned from the process: as we make decisions about title removals we should create one final title list and take action only on the titles on that list.
2. Review and discussion of JSTOR decision: Serin asked for additional comments and brought up a question related to YBP. In the past Joan had run an overlap analysis report on purchases by Alliance libraries of titles in the DDA pool and found that libraries were purchasing duplicate copies, often in advance of the DDA titles being purchased. Kathi reported that she let JSTOR know that we're not moving forward with the pilot. JSTOR may propose institution-level DDAs, but she didn't see any need for the Alliance to get involved in these agreements. While JSTOR's institution-level DDAs may complicate any future Alliance-wide DDA plans, Serin noted that since we can't make any guarantees to JSTOR we don't really have any leverage to ask them to delay these. Jim noted that, during Lewis & Clark's pilot, the six-chapter-views trigger point and lack of any STLs led to excessive spikes in spend that were difficult to control, especially during peak times.

Summer meeting presentation/Q&A [Serin]

1. Serin asked if anyone would like to participate in the Summer Meeting ebook presentation with her. Jim and Kathi volunteered to help with the presentation and Hilary offered to help with metadata questions.

Taylor & Francis / Wiley modifications [Kathi]

1. ProQuest reached out to Wiley and Taylor & Francis recently about options for lowering the multiplier and adjusting the STL trigger, since we had told them we would like to be able to purchase more and earlier. ProQuest's strategy was to start the discussion with the largest publishers and then work with the others. We originally asked for a multiplier of 3 or 3.5, and Wiley and Taylor & Francis offered to lower the multiplier to 4 in exchange for our commitment to a maximum STL of 11 and losing the ability to turn off purchasing on their titles. Numerous concerns were raised about removing our ability to turn off purchasing and it was agreed that this was not a viable option for us. Kathi will take this feedback back to ProQuest.

DDA pool discussion [Serin]

1. Several strategies for reducing the DDA pool were discussed, including targeting publishers with the lowest proportional rates of STLs, removing Sage titles since the publisher may be pulling their titles soon anyway, as well as removals based on date.
2. What's the ideal DDA pool size? With a current pool of 12,538, how many records do we want to remove? With a smaller pool we could have a smaller trigger which would help increase purchasing.
3. Kathi mentioned that we'll also start getting new titles soon and need to establish what our limits will be for the new titles.
4. Serin will develop two models for what the starting DDA pool would look like with our current publishers and current price cap for:
 - a. 2014 titles going forward
 - b. 2015 titles going forward
5. We'll review these models and run them by ProQuest to see what the triggers might be.
6. To help predict how many titles we could expect to come in during the next fiscal year, Barbara will take a look at how many titles we would have had last year with our current price cap.

Next steps for investigating alternatives: research assignments [Serin]

1. Additional information and research is needed on:
 - a. Nursing, allied health programs across the Alliance – Sara
 - b. What other consortia are doing in terms of evidence-based purchasing - Jim, Nancy
 - c. The potential of working with a particular publisher, such as Springer
2. Timeline: Wrap up research and report back in August, then spend the Fall coming up with a plan to present to Council. The Summer meeting will also provide opportunities to get feedback for what direction members would like to see the program take.

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 17, at 1pm.

1. Serin will be away on June 17, but may be able to call in. Kathi will fill in.
2. Serin will send out a Doodle poll to find a good time for future meetings.
3. Send Serin any comments on the Notes of our past 2 meetings.