eResearch Implementation Committee

Meeting Notes

March 12, 2014

Present: Bethany Anderson, Susan Braxton, Peg Burnette (recorder), Harriett Green, Karen Hogenboom, Laila Moustafa, Beth Sandore, Mary Schlembach, Christie Wiley, Sarah Williams (chair)

Agenda

Updates/Announcements

• Susan B. – EZID Pilot update

  To date there have been 7 registrants for EZID DOIs from engineering, computer science, business, the library, and GLSIS. (This does not include NADP or the conference organizers who requested DOIs for their individual abstracts.) Most of these indicated they had no prior data management training. Types of data include databases, code, visualizations, and collections. The majority of applicants indicated they had ten or fewer data resources.

  Members of the EZID pilot group will be identified to follow-up with applicants, and they will invite corresponding subject specialists to participate in the conversation. Susan will input [NADP??] data.

  Suggestion was made to fill out an application for NADP, just so we have their info in the survey along with the others. Susan will do that.

  Susan will be giving a talk on EZID for the Prairie Research Institute next week.

• Sarah W.

  The request to hire a half-time GA for Scholarly Commons Data Services has been approved. The position is for the coming academic year.

Confirm interest in data conference funding for July – December 2014

• A review of interest in attending data conferences for July-December 2014 revealed two conference in particular that lacked representation from the eResearch implementation committee. Mary S. indicated interest in attending DataCite and Beth N. said she would attend the Research Data Alliance (RDA) conference.

• Sarah asked interested parties to project attendance costs so that the funding request can be submitted with cost estimates.

Plans for March RDS Interest Group meeting on DMPTool 2

• At the March 14 meeting of the Research Data Services Interest Group (RDSIG) Sarah Shreeves will discuss new functionality and customization of the DMPTool2, which is slated to be released in May 2014.
Following Sarah’s presentation, attendees will break into small groups to discuss customization possibilities as they relate to specific discipline areas. Group facilitators are as follows:

- Life Sciences & Physical Sciences – Sarah Williams and Peg Burnette
- Social Sciences – Karen Hogenboom
- Humanities – Harriett Green
- Multi-disciplinary – Sarah Shreeves

The goal is to identify customizations to help meet the needs of researchers and funders in specific disciplines and have them ready to implement when the DMPTool2 becomes available. Group leaders arrange follow-up meetings with interested stakeholders and report back to the larger group prior to the release of DMPTool2.

Update or discussion on Desk Tracker request to Reference Services Committee

Sarah Williams reported on her presentation to the Reference Services Committee regarding a proposed addition to Desk Tracker. The proposal is for the addition of a Question Type that would be called “Data Assistance” and would include interactions for data services and data management. As discussed during the previous eResearch implementation committee, details of “data” encounters would be entered into the question detail text box.

Reference Services Committee questions and concerns included:

- Do librarians know what is meant by the term “data”?
- There were concerns about granularity of the designation
- Will this be a sufficient solution or should a sub-form be considered? (This committee had already discussed this option and decided to adopt a simpler approach for the time being)

Clarification and contextual comments included:

- This additional data element is, in part, in response to request for campus level metrics regarding data services activities.
- Training regarding the relationships between data, statistics, reference, and research will be forthcoming and will likely be part of HUB training.

The Reference Services Committee recommended the proposed change to Desk Tracker be implemented.

- The eResearch implementation committee recommends that the change be implemented after the spring semester
- A suggestion to add an information button that elaborates on the scope of “data assistance” is being considered

The new library newsletter may be a good venue to announce the new question type option in Desk Tracker.
Discussion of research data support outreach/promotion approaches or ideas

- Collaborations - Collaborative workshops such as the upcoming Computational Social Science Workshop, co-sponsored by the Scholarly Commons and I-CHASS.

- Partnerships with units outside the library

- Targeting campus investigators who number over 1300

- Identify those individuals who are integral to, and can get the attention of, researchers:
  - IT Groups
  - Graduate Students
  - Grant coordinators

- Identify established venues for development, such as regular seminar series, where we might do presentations, such as the Office of Sponsored Programs and Research Administration (OSPRA) Research Administration Management Program (RAMP).