License Review Committee

Annual Report, 2008-2009
Submitted by Linda Wobbe, Chair
License Review Committee

I. Achievements for 2008-09 Academic Year

a. Membership of the License Review Committee
Dr. Pat Lyons, Saint John’s Seminary, resigned.
Continuing members:
Scott Hines, Pacific Graduate School of Psychology
Michael Epstein, University of San Diego
Linda Wobbe, Saint Mary’s College of California, Chair.

b. Progress on Goals.
i. Continue to review agreements collaboratively and in a timely manner.
License Review Committee Members used Google Docs to review the following agreements:

- Reference Universe (September 2008)
- ArtStore (September 2008)
- RefWorks September 2008)
- NISO SERU (October 2008)
- JSTOR Institutional Participation Agreement (October 2008)
- STAT!Ref Nursing Content (Jan 2009)
- Wiley Online Consortium License (Jan 2009)
- STAT!Ref Core Clinical (Jan 2009)
- Swets Partner Agreement (August 2009)

ii. Continue investigation of the NISO/SERU Recommended Practice, and Propose to the Board that SCELC join the Registry of Libraries and Consortia that are interested in using SERU.
Committee members reviewed SERU agreement and discussed it with PRC. SCELC joined the SERU Registry.

iii. Review practices relating to Publisher Packages of Journals
This goal will be moved forward to 2009-2010.
iv. Chair participate in the Charleston Conference panel on licensing resources.
Thank you to the Board for approving funding for the License Review Committee Chair to attend the 2008 Charleston Conference. This Conference provides a unique opportunity to attend conference presentations alongside vendor representatives. Many presentations offered opportunities to give feedback on products in development. SCELC Executive Director Rick Burke, Glenn Johnson-Grau from Loyola Marymount, Ellen Endres from Brill, and Linda Wobbe, Chair of LRC gave a presentation to a packed house of primarily publishers highlighting the SCELC process "Consortial Sales: Smoothing out the Bumps in the Road". Linda Wobbe highlighted the license review process, including the essential elements of our Contract Points document, and promoted SERU. We fielded lots of questions. Thanks to SCELC for funding my attendance! The Chair’s portion of the presentation powerpoint is available at this link:
http://www.katina.info/conference/presentations/smoothing-scelcharleston.ppt

v. Update LRC Section of the SCELC website.
The Chair worked with Tommy Keswick, SCELC Member Services, to create the LRC Section of the SCELC website. Take a look! It is fabulous:
Under the Committees Section on the SCELC webpage:
http://scelc.org/committees/lrc/
Includes committee member information, Contract Points documents, link to SERU and model license agreements. Copies of the LRC Annual Reports may be found there.

II. Goals for 2008 – 2009
a. Consider recruiting additional committee members.
b. Review licenses at the request of the Executive Director.
c. Consider ways to address publisher package elements in the Contract Points document.
d. Review ARL’s Confidentiality Advisory for possible inclusion in Contract Points
e. Update LRC Section of the website.