

**TRLN COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION RESOURCES  
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The membership of the Committee on Information Resources for the fiscal year: Larry Alford (UNC Academic Affairs), Debora Hazel (NCCU), Deborah Jakubs (Duke Perkins), Jan Kemp (NCSU), Teresa Stanton (UNC Law), and Marjory Waite (UNC Health Sciences). Kim Armstrong, TRLN, is program officer.

The committee had a series of meetings over the year to focus on the cooperative collection development programs, largely print based, in the consortium. In February the CIR invited the heads of collection management from the main libraries to discuss the six collection working groups (Humanities/Fine Arts; Social Sciences/Government Documents; STM; International/Area Studies; Special Collections; AV/Media). The purpose of the meeting was to examine the model for bringing bibliographers together to discuss cooperative projects and programs. Following that meeting the CIR began inviting the chairs of each working group to a meeting to hear about the working group's plans and projects. The committee also coordinated a visit from the Center for Research Libraries (CRL) staff in October 2002.

In the area of electronic resources, the CIR took an active role by leading discussions with two publishers. In July 2002 the committee met with representatives from the American Chemical Society to protest their new "rolling archive" model. The committee also oversaw the one-year renewal of the Elsevier Science Direct license. Members also attended a consortial demonstration by OCLC of their digital rights management system. In October, the CIR and Committee on Information Technology had a joint meeting to discuss institutional repositories and to hear a report from staff who attended the ARL program on repositories earlier that month.

Several groups met under the umbrella of the CIR to advance consortial projects. In August the preservation librarians and interlibrary loan staff met to devise guidelines on replacement pages and preservation photocopies. Also in August the CIR sponsored a "Disaster Recovery Training" event attended by fifty staff. The heads of cataloging met to complete a cost proposal to OCLC for TechPro cataloging.

The Electronic Resources Committee, which reports to the CIR, had an active year maintaining current e-resource licenses and making new consortial acquisitions. The ERC negotiated access for the Dekker journals and the Institute of Physics archive. Negotiations were also underway with IEEE for the IEEE Electronic Library.

The committee also continued discussions and planning in several priority areas. The committee plans to invite several speakers to the Triangle for two collections symposiums to talk about print copy archives, shared archives, and the challenges of cooperative collection development in the digital age. The work of the shared

bibliographer for South Asia is being studied and reviewed as it impacts all four TRLN institutions. The committee will provide guidance on the negotiations for a multi-year Elsevier Science Direct license and engage faculty and administrators in a dialogue on the financial impact of such a commitment. Finally, the CIR endorsed a draft proposal to lend materials among consortium members for semester-long reserves.

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