Are We Reconfigured Yet? US Research Libraries – Priorities, Trends, Directions OCLC Research Library Partnership Webinar Chat Transcript

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from OCLC Research to Everyone:

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for today's webinar, "Are We Reconfigured Yet? US Research Libraries – Priorities, Trends, Directions." If you're tweeting this webinar, please use #orlp.

from Merrilee Proffitt to Everyone:

Hi everyone! I'll be watching for questions here in San Mateo, and also monitoring Twitter, so send them in any time!

from OCLC Research to Everyone:

See more about space here: Exploiting Space as a Distinctive Asset http://www.oclc.org/research/events/2012/06-05.html#space

from Scott Walter to Everyone:

New metrics are much more complex; leads one to wonder how ARL will apply them in looking at membership, rankings, etc.

from Bob Kosovsky to Everyone:

Jim, could you elaborate on how research libraries can move toward greater collaboration? Many are still feeling the need for exclusive ownership/access

from Dawn Hale to Everyone:

More assistance with text/data mining; shared print collection mangement

from stevenb to Everyone:

thanks jim for your response. i agree that we need to priortize services we deliver to the community - be more about people and not so much about content - be gate openers - not just gate keepers

from Keri Cascio to Everyone:

Could you put the previous slide back up -- the 20th vs. 21st Century library

from Merrilee Proffitt to Everyone:

Nice comment, Steven, thanks!

from Dennis Meissner to Everyone:

Another place some of us need help: taking the low cost/high value approach that you took to digitization, and applying that same approach to affordable and sustainable digital preservation environments/platforms.

from Dawn Hale to Everyone:

Does OCLC know how many of the Functional Specilist positions required a MLS vs another professional degree?

from Stephen Hearn to Everyone:

Do you see an ongoing role for librarians in metadata creation, management, and enhancement?

from Rita Vine to Everyone:

you mention that the number 1 issue in US libraries is the future of education and the libraries' role, but some key activities (like curriculum integration) rank low on your list of priorities from your interviewees. can you explain this further?

from Scott Walter to Everyone:

Sometimes the MLS as terminal degree is required at Academic Affairs for faculty status

from magda el-sherbini to Everyone:

How are the electronic content's providers play role in this arena? Many research libraries are currently loading massive number of e-content individually, how this will work on the global level?

from Anne Prestamo to Everyone:

The newly announced ARL Position Bank promises to be a very useful source of info, on titles, descriptions, and qualifications: http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/arlpdbank/

from Keri Cascio to Everyone:

Anne, do you know if the ARL Position Bank will be available to non-ARL members?

from Anne Prestamo to Everyone:

I don't know about availability to non-ARL members. Sorry.

from Nancy Gwinn:

Are you planning to develop/publish useful/successful examjples from OCLC Research partners of projects or programs that illustrate the characteristics of the 21st century library--sort of a modelling exercise?

from Scott Walter to Everyone:

Case studies that, together, illustrate these trends. Good idea.

from Keri Cascio to Everyone:

could you talk about metrics specifics for the 21st century attributes listed?

from Scott Walter to Everyone:

Yes, I think the contours are clearer now than 2 years ago. Maybe moreso in 2 more years?