



Cost Sharing Models Task Force

Charge and Roster

Sponsor: Global Council

Start Date: 2010 November

End Date: 2011 June 1 for submission to the Global Council for consideration at its June meeting

Charge

This charge convenes a Cost Sharing Models Task Force to develop and evaluate cost sharing models that advance the public purpose of OCLC, create a sustainable approach to cost-sharing for the cooperative and support the use of differential pricing strategies. The Task Force will prepare models and recommendations for initial review and discussion by the OCLC Regional Councils and the Global Council and final review and action by the OCLC Global Council. Subsequently, the Global Council will convey its recommendations to the OCLC Strategic Leadership Team and Board of Trustees.

Need for Cost Sharing Task Force

Concerns expressed by both Regional Council members and Global Council delegates on the need to both localize and globalize access to OCLC services resulted in the establishment of an OCLC Global Council Task Force on Cost Sharing and Pricing Strategy (September 2009) “to study and make recommendations about OCLC cost sharing and differential pricing to further strengthen OCLC products and services for libraries and cultural institutions and their users worldwide.” The Task Force’s Final Report was accepted and its four recommendations approved by the Global Council at its virtual meeting on 2010 June 21. Recommendation 1 identified principles of cost sharing which will be a critical component in the work of this new Task Force. The Global Council will undertake new initiatives on Recommendation 2 (Public purposes and pro bono activities) with work as well by this new Task Force. Similarly, the Global Council will act on Recommendation 3 (member engagement) and has implemented Recommendation 4 (form a new Cost Sharing Task Force) with the establishment of this Cost Sharing Task Force.

The Task Force will take the next step in acting on Recommendation 1, which is to consider the principles of cost sharing in the development and evaluation of cost sharing models. The principles of cost sharing affirm that cost sharing and pricing support the public purposes of OCLC and that differential pricing is advantageous to OCLC members. The third principle identifies multiple factors that influence differential pricing. It is anticipated that the development of cost sharing models will employ these factors, including but not limited to the factors adopted by Global Council in June 2010:

- Ability to pay
- Value derived
- Contribution to the collaborative
- New markets for OCLC services
- Transparency and simplicity
- Predictability

In addition, the Task Force will consider how *pro bono* services could be factored into the cost-sharing model.

To the extent practical this group will represent the diverse OCLC membership with a majority of members drawn from the OCLC Global Council. The OCLC Strategic Leadership team as well as the Board of Trustees will also be represented. Additionally, as has proved useful in the work of other OCLC groups, the Task Force will draw on other experts as appropriate both from within and outside of the OCLC community. Further, the Global Council requests that the Task Force engage at key junctures with the membership through the Regional and Global Councils in soliciting input on the cost share models under development. Review and action by the Global Council should follow discussion and consensus-building within the established OCLC governance structure. Upon completion of its review of the recommended cost share models from the Task Force, the Global Council will submit its recommendations to the OCLC Strategic Leadership Team and the Board of Trustees.

Meetings

2010 November – 2011 May: The Task Force is expected to meet periodically via conference call or webinar, with one in-person meeting in mid-March, potentially in conjunction with a webinar update for Global Council.

Updates and Reports

2011 January through early March: Provide updates on charge, process, and work to date to Regional Councils, the Board of Trustees, and the Strategic Leadership Team.

2011 mid-March: Provide webinar update for Global Council on charge, process, and work to date.

2011 April 1: Submit a draft report and recommendations to Global Council for discussion and feedback at Global Council April 14-18 meeting in Dublin, Ohio.

2011 June 1: Submit a final report and recommendations to Global Council for review and/or approval at a Global Council virtual meeting in June 2011.

2011 June 30: GC President will submit recommendations (or a status report in the absence of approved recommendations) to the Board of Trustees and Strategic Leadership Team.

Membership

Chair:

John F. Helmer, Global Council Delegate (ARC), and Executive Director, Orbis Cascade Alliance, USA

Members:

Global Council Delegates

Luis Anglada, Global Council Delegate (EMEA), and Director, Consorci de Biblioteques Univ. de Catalunya, Catalan, Spain

Saad Azzahri, Global Council Alternate Delegate (EMEA), and Library Director, Ministry of Petroleum-Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

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Debbie Schachter, Global Council Delegate (ARC), and Director, Technology & Collection Management, Vancouver Public Library, Canada

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Kendall Wiggin, Global Council Delegate (ARC), and State Librarian, Connecticut State Library, USA

Jennifer Younger, Liaison to the OCLC GC Executive Committee, and Chair, Board of Directors, Catholic Research Resources Alliance, and Librarian, University of Notre Dame, Hesburgh Libraries, USA

Additional expertise

Edward W. Barry, Vice Chair, OCLC Board of Trustees, President Emeritus, Oxford University Press

Bruce R. Kingma, Associate Provost for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Syracuse University, USA

OCLC Strategic Leadership Team and regional advisors

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Catherine De Rosa, Vice President for the Americas and Global Vice President of Marketing, OCLC

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