Report from Membership Committee. Discussion and vote on endorsement of procedures for handling unresolved cases of disputed use of data extracted from WorldCat

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OCLC Membership Committee

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OCLC Members are:

- Administratively independent
- Open to any library, archive or museum
- Embrace cooperation and sharing
- OCLC is global
- Membership is contractual
- Share intellectual content or resources
- Diverse (by type, size, or geographical location)

OCLC Membership and Governance Protocols
http://tinyurl.com/3pkantk
Contribution & sharing

- Metadata, including authority records
- Holdings information
- Staff resources and expertise
- Digital content
- Materials using OCLC services
- Contributing in other (future defined) ways
- Threshold 1, every 3 years
Membership Committee appointment schedules

- Stagger appointments, Global Council and Board of Trustees
- GC in June or July, ratified in Sept by BOT (gap)
- BOT in November, with other BOT appointments
Elevator Speech Contest: What are OCLC’s membership benefits?

“OCLC membership helps my [library, archive, museum] do more, for less money, for more of our users. Our users rely upon the cooperative’s [insert relevant example here].”
Membership Allocation Formula

- 48 Member Delegates
- 25% (4 delegates x 3 regions = 12) equal core Regional representation
- 75% (36) by intellectual contribution
- Revenue acts as proxy for contribution
Sample questions about groups of OCLC Members

- Should OCLC relate differently to consortia and nonconsortial members?
- How can OCLC better help members manage intra-consortial resource sharing or joint ownership of e- and p-materials?
- How can OCLC help consortia improve content or services?
- Should groups within OCLC enjoy differentiated pricing or services?
WorldCat Rights Policy, Dispute Resolution

5. Addressing Disputed Use of WorldCat Data by Members

“…If either party believes that timely resolution cannot be reached, then the matter will follow resolution and/or arbitration procedures to be determined by the Global Council and the Board of Trustees.”
Proposed Dispute Resolution Process

If an impasse is reached in a dispute between OCLC and a member regarding the use of OCLC records that cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of both parties, the OCLC Membership Committee, a standing committee composed both trustees of the Board and Global Council delegates, will facilitate resolution of the dispute.
Questions?

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