Library Automation Project CSC Coordinating Team Meeting December 3, 1986



WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY.

Present: L. Bugg; K. Dazsi; J. Kasiowniak; R. Lockhart; R. McCreedy; LIBRARY OFFICE P. Spyers-Duran; J. Williams.

1. Hours of operation--

Louise distributed a request from the Libraries for changing the Sunday starting hour of NOTIS operation from 12:00 noon to 11:00 a.m. Kelly will review the request with CSC staff by the next meeting.

The Library reps agreed to allow the CSC, on a trial basis, to use the time from 6:00 to 7:00 a.m. on Tuesdays to address terminals, in the event that their terminal addressing had not been completed by 6:00 a.m. Terminal addressing requires that the NOTIS system be down. Louise will alert Library Staff to this arrangement.

2. Additional NOTIS programmer--

Jim reported that this new position has been posted and closed on Thursday, December 4th.

3. Oakland University planning--

Becky and Rick had reviewed the System Agreement between WSU and Oakland University for NOTIS access and services.

Items discussed were:

- a. Concern regarding Network Control coverage for late hours and weekends, as OU staff are trained and begin contacting Network Control directly.
- b. Telecommunications network for Oakland University--

It was highly recommended that Oakland Univeristy have a technical person available for the peripheral installation period, as well as an ongoing site administrator.

The general procedure was outlined as this:

- (1) Louise will help OU identify its network options and diagram them for review;
- (2) Jerry K., and others at the CSC as needed, will review OU's options:
- (3) The timetable for OU's installation will be coordinated with CSC;
- (4) An official sign-off of the approved option(s) for OU will be done.

c. Peripheral options for OU--

Louise will draft a list of peripherals known to work with the WSU NOTIS installation for review at the next meeting. The list will include system printers.

d. Front end needs of Oakland University

The current telecommunications network under review for OU requires four ports on a front end processor. The CSC may not get a third front end until April or May. There are no ports available on current CSC front end processors. Two options to pursue are multi-dropping lines to free up ports and expanding the 3725 already installed.

Louise will draft an estimated port requirement for OU, WCCC, and Beaumont. The CSC needs estimates for the next six months as soon as possible.

- e. Distributed printing developments will be on the list for the new programmer.
- f. Loader programs for OU will also be on the list for review by the new programmer.
- g. Preliminary disk estimates for OU indicate their data will require one disk pack on a single density drive for 1987. Louise will verify data used for the estimate with OU.
- h. Timeline--Louise will draft a timeline for OU's installation for reveiw at the next meeting.
- i. Access to NOTR and PROFS for Oakland University

 Louise asked if OU could be given access to the NOTIS Training Region (NOTR) and to PROFS, for electronic messaging. She will find out what kind of hardware and software OU is using, or is planning to use, to access MERIT. An IBM-type device, eg. IBM 3101, or even a VT100 emulation should work.

4. Disk drive options--

The Library's two options for adding one disk drive were reviewed. Becky's estimates indicate a minimum of one single density 3380 should be ordered as soon as possible. It would be used for WSUL and OU data. Space needed for other DALNET libraries has not yet been calculated.

The two options are: (1) buy a used single density drive to add to the existing string, or (2) buy a new drive, either an upgradeable single density or a double density. Becky will pursue a third-party vendor for a used single density drive.

Systems software licenses—

Kelly will check on the status of the IBM 4381 license for ACF2. The Syncsort license is taken care of, as are the licenses for Abendaid. The new release of Abendaid received has yet to be installed on the IBM 4381.

6. MERIT UBC "box"--

Rick reported that the MERIT "NIM" box had been successfully disconnected from the IBM 4381 and was being taken back to the U of M for installation at their administrative computing center.

The next meeting of this group is scheduled for Monday, December 15th, at 10:00 a.m.

Notes by Louise Bugg December 8, 1986