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# Collection Management Committee Minutes May 8

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## 5-College Collection Management Council

Minutes - 5/8/09

### 1. FCLC update

- The proposed restricting of Five College Technical Services has been a major topic at recent FCLC meetings. There is a 5-college planning team exploring this project. Amherst College had concerns and there was a response to those concerns. The Five College Presidents have been asking FCLC to do more collaboratively and they are trying to do so.
- ALEPH v.19 upgrade is scheduled for July 6-12.
- There was an article in the Amherst College newspaper indicating it takes 6 months to get a book at UMass. While there may be some material that's difficult to obtain, rush requests from UMass are assigned the highest ordering priority.

### 2. Check-in on AC and HC move to YBP

- Hampshire's profiling is done and training on using YBP's system will happen next week.
- Amherst has profiled and their accounts are set up. Training should occur shortly.

### 3. Memo to Circulation Committee

- The most complex piece is the tools we need to determine where we need more copies.
- The Five College Circulation Committee wants a clearer articulation of what is needed from that group. We agreed it makes sense to work with our institutional staff on how to determine where we need more copies locally.
- Kathleen will draft something to send to FCLC since they are the appropriate group to issue a statement. [Subsequent to the meeting, the committee submitted the following to FCLC: *In response to requests from the Five College Presidents and the Five College Librarians Council, the Collection Management Committee will facilitate efforts to better coordinate purchases for our book collections, in an effort to reduce unnecessary duplication, so we can increase both the breadth and the strength of our combined collections. We will order additional copies only when they are clearly required to support teaching, learning, and research. This decision will be made at the local library level.*]

### 4. Details related to cooperative project

- It is important to remember one of the goals of the project is to expand the breadth and depth of our collection.
- The UMass Assessment staff gathered data on duplication and circulation rates of unique vs. duplicate materials for each institution which Jay shared with committee members.
- One outcome we might expect to see as a result of this project is a reduction in the amount of overlap in the next several years

- We discussed having selector meetings by subject area after the project has been running for several months.

5. Other

- Dan Schnurr will become the CMC chair starting in fall 2009. The group thanked Kathleen Norton for her leadership the past two years.

\*Subsequent to the meeting, the committee submitted the following which FCLC adopted on May 11, 2009:

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