The Council of University of Arkansas Research Libraries (CUARL) Digital Initiatives Committee met via conference call on Tuesday, February 23, 2016. Amy Allen called the meeting to order at 3 p.m. She called roll and the following members were present: Martha Parker (UAF), Jessie Burchfield (UALR Law), Mary Heady (UAM), Jordan Ruud (UAFS), Sherrie Norwood (UALR Law), Tim Nutt (UAMS), and Chad Garrett (UALR). Georgia Watley (UAPB) was absent.

Amy Allen read the charge for the committee. Martha Parker drew the members attention to two surveys delivered to the group via e-mail. She asked the members to complete the CUARL DIC Initial Survey. Parker described the CUARL DIC priorities by member survey as an opportunity to rank the seven target activities from the committee’s charge. Chad Garrett moved that the members use a number scale from 1 to 7 to rank the activities. Jessie Burchfield seconded. The motion carried.

Chad Garrett asked if this committee would include projects already underway such as the Arkansas History Commission’s Arkansas Records Catalog project (Ark-Cat). Allen noted that discussion of these projects would be beneficial.

Martha Parker asked the members if the conference call and e-mails was the preferred communication method. Members expressed concern about Skype and noted that the distance between all the members was a challenge for face to face meetings, so conference call and e-mails was the expressed, preferred method. Chad Garrett offered to create a listserv or Google group for the members. Parker asked that Garrett create a Google group and he agreed.

Allen noted that the members would meet again in the coming months to discuss the results of the surveys.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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