# Planning for Certain Future Cuts when the Future is Uncertain 

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## UNC Greensboro

- Carnegie Classification - Doctoral Intensive Univ. I
- FTE is 18,500
- Collection
- 2.8 million items (books, gov docs \& microforms)
- 42,666 electronic journals
- 250+ electronic databases


## Background

## 2009-2010 Cuts

- \$300,000 for books
- \$240,000 for Journals
- \$130,000 for databases

TOTAL - \$670,000

## Background

## 2011-2012 Cuts

- \$296,000 for Books
- $\$ 260,000$ for Journals
- $\$ 232,000$ for Databases
- \$268,500 Other

TOTAL \$1,056,500

## Background

- 2012-2013
- Flat budget paid inflation with One Time Money
- 2013-2014
- Flat budget $=4$ to $5 \%$ cut - Gave up 4 open positions


## Planning for 2014/15

- Announced in September
- UNC Greensboro will receive a $\mathbf{1 2 . 5}$ million dollar cut in the institutional budget
- Collection Management Team timeline
- October - met to discuss cuts
- November - create 15, 20 and $25 \%$ cut scenarios
- December - break out into small groups to create the scenarios
- Books, Databases, and Journals
- January - present scenarios to the subject liaisons
- February - get feedback from liaisons
- March - send information out to the campus
- May $16^{\text {th }}-$ deadline for input from faculty departments
- July $1^{\text {st }}-$ start implementing the cuts


## October meeting

- Decide what percentage to cut the major areas of the collections budget:

Allocations the Committee determined for the cuts

|  |  | $15 \%$ |  |  | $20 \%$ | $25 \%$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Books | $\$$ | $693,340.00$ | $\$$ | $154,000.00$ | $\$$ | $205,333.33$ | $\$ 256,666.67$ |
| Serials | $\$ 1,723,597.00$ | $\$$ | $173,886.00$ | $\$$ | $231,848.00$ | $\$ 289,810.00$ |  |
| DBs | $\$$ | $869,204.00$ | $\$$ | $160,000.00$ | $\$$ | $213,333.33$ | $\$ 266,666.67$ |
| Other | $\$$ | $133,099.00$ | $\$$ | $25,000.00$ | $\$$ | $33,333.33$ | $\$ 41,666.67$ |
|  | $\$ 3,419,240.00$ | $\$$ | $512,886.15$ | $\$$ | $683,848.20$ | $\$ 854,810.25$ |  |

Percentage that each group was cut by

|  | $15.00 \%$ | $20.00 \%$ | $25.00 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Books | $22.21 \%$ | $29.62 \%$ | $37.02 \%$ |
| Serials | $10.09 \%$ | $13.45 \%$ | $16.81 \%$ |
| DBs | $18.41 \%$ | $24.54 \%$ | $30.68 \%$ |
| Other | $18.78 \%$ | $25.04 \%$ | $31.31 \%$ |

## Between October and November

- Pulled Cost for Journals
- Pulled COUNTER JR1 Stats for 2011, 2012 for all journals costing $\$ 100$ or more.
- Pulled Database stats from our A to Z database
- Pull print journal/continuations usage statistics


## Journals Group

It was determined that of all the cuts for Serials, we wanted to take them most of them from Print only, Newspapers and Continuations From the chart below you can see what percentage of cuts we took for each type of Serial Category

|  | Cost | $\%$ cut at $15 \%$ |  | $15 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $25 \%$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Online plus P+E | $\$ 240,280.23$ | $33.4 \%$ | $\$ 80,194.00$ | $\$ 96,500.00$ | $\$ 96,500.00$ |  |
| Print only | $\$ 46,249.30$ | $64.9 \%$ | $\$ 30,000.00$ | $\$ 37,500.00$ | $\$ 37,500.00$ |  |
| Newspapers | $\$ 6,820.12$ | $60.0 \%$ | $\$ 4,092.07$ | $\$ 4,092.07$ | $\$ 4,092.07$ |  |
| Continuations | $\$ 67,128.50$ | $56.6 \%$ | $\$ 38,000.00$ | $\$ 47,500.00$ | $\$ 47,500.00$ |  |
| Memberships | $\$ 29,225.00$ | $29.4 \%$ | $\$ 8,600.00$ | $\$ 10,750.00$ | $\$ 10,750.00$ |  |
| Microfilm | $\$ 22,893.49$ | $43.7 \%$ | $\$ 10,000.00$ | $\$ 12,500.00$ | $\$ 12,500.00$ |  |
| Big Deals | $\$ 1,306,908.00$ | $0.2 \%$ | $\$ 3,000.00$ | $\$ 23,000.00 \$$ | $80,967.93$ |  |
| TOTAL | $\$ 1,719,504.64$ | $10.1 \%$ | $\$ 173,886.07$ | $\$ 231,842.07$ | $\$ 289,810.00$ |  |

Note the $15 \%$ cuts to the collections result in $10.1 \%$ cuts to serials.
Other areas are cut deeper.

## Database Group

Identified resources with high costs per use Identified resources that was duplicated (example had all three big aggregators, we cut two of them)
Identify resources that were the only database the department had (example MathSciNet)

## Book Group

- Cut the approval plan
- Setup DDA
- All subject areas took cuts for firm orders


## Presented Plan to Subject Liaisons

- Meeting on January $17^{\text {th }}$
- Outcome of the meeting

Cut 40K more out of Books and Serials Put 40 K back into databases

- Groups met again to adjust and work with the new figures.


## Adjusted Plan

- Journals
- Cut 3K more of Print
- Cut extra \$10,989 in Continuations
- Cut 6376.25 in Microfilm
- Databases - went back to the list and looked at statistics and other factors
- Books - cut Approval plan again by 20 K


## February

- Feedback from Subject Liaisons
- Talked with their departments
- Created list of things that we are keeping
- Created the budget page for faculty to refer to


## March

- Finally got the budget news for $14 / 15$
- Library only has to take $9 \%$ cut or 362 K
- Readjusted the plans again
- Sent Budget website out to faculty to receive feedback
- Site can be found at http://library.uncg.edu/info/budget/


## Future

- Pull usage statistics for 2013 and 2014 and add to these spreadsheets to prepare for another $7 \%$ cut for $15 / 16$
- Push for small publishers to provide usage statistics


## Thank you

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