My Report

1. Which of the 8 following services would you like to have in a statewide academic library consortium? Please rank them 1 - 8 (with 1 being the most desired).

#	Answer	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total Responses
1	Reciprocity of Materials between member institutions i.e. The mutual ability for faculty, students, and patrons to borrow materials from any of the consortia's academic library members. * Note – a "local use only" policy would be an available option for each institution.	1	6	4	2	1	0	0	2	16
2	Cooperative Purchasing Power i.e. The consortium would purchase databases, ebooks, monographs, etc. on behalf of a groups of libraries so the price to each library is reduced. * Note – The choice to participate in a purchase would be optional for each institution.	13	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	16
3	Professional Development Opportunities i.e. The consortium would coordinate opportunities for webinars, speakers, workshops, etc.	2	1	1	3	2	2	2	3	16
4	Cooperative Collection Development	1	1	3	2	3	3	3	0	16
5	Cataloging or Joint Cataloging	1	1	3	0	5	2	1	3	16
6	Library Print Repository	0	0	1	0	1	4	4	6	16
7	Digitization of Library Holdings	1	0	1	4	3	0	4	3	16
8	E-Resource Management	2	6	3	2	0	2	0	1	16
	Total	21	17	16	13	15	13	14	19	-

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Min Value	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1
Max Value	8	8	8	7	8	8	8	8
Mean	3.38	1.56	4.94	4.63	5.00	6.75	5.44	3.19
Variance	4.25	3.06	5.66	3.45	4.67	1.93	4.26	3.90
Standard Deviation	2.06	1.75	2.38	1.86	2.16	1.39	2.06	1.97
Total Responses	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16

2. What products could be included as part of Cooperative Purchasing Power?
Please rank products using 1-6 with 1 being the most desired.

#	Answer	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total Responses
1	ILS	8	1	0	4	3	0	16
2	Databases	8	6	1	0	0	0	15
3	Journal title packages	2	5	3	2	3	0	15
4	Print collection through shared collection development process	0	0	2	4	9	1	16
5	eBook collection through shared collection development process	0	2	9	4	0	0	15
6	Other:	1	0	0	0	0	5	6
	Total	19	14	15	14	15	6	-

Other:
these are all equally important
all are important

Statistic	ILS	Databases	Journal title packages	Print collection through shared collection development process	eBook collection through shared collection development process	Other:
Min Value	1	1	1	3	2	1
Max Value	5	3	5	6	4	6
Mean	2.56	1.53	2.93	4.56	3.13	5.17
Variance	3.06	0.41	1.92	0.66	0.41	4.17
Standard Deviation	1.75	0.64	1.39	0.81	0.64	2.04
Total Responses	16	15	15	16	15	6

3. Which ILS system is preferred?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Alma	▬▬	4	29%
2	Other Ex Libris		0	0%
3	Other:	▬▬▬▬▬	10	71%
	Total		14	

Other:

not enoughinformation
no preference as yet
Not sure. I would want to see demos of any that are being considered
No preference
SIRSI/DYNIX
Results of fair and open RFP process
SirsiDynix
don't know
need to see options

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	2.43
Variance	0.88
Standard Deviation	0.94
Total Responses	14

4. Which of the following are areas of interest for Cooperative Collection
Development?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Monographs/books		5	33%
2	Journals		13	87%
3	Other:		3	20%

Other:
erources (books, journals)
electronic resources
e books, databases

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Total Responses	15

5. Who should comprise the board of directors?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Library Administrators		15	88%
2	Librarians		12	71%
3	Library Staff		4	24%
4	Other:		2	12%

Other:
College Administration - Dean, development officer
I would like to see admin, with seats for librarians and staff on the board

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Total Responses	17

6. Do you have any concerns about your library's role in the MT Academic Library Consortium?

Text Response
Being able to afford being a part of the consortium.
Our budget is limited to the availability of grants so it is difficult for us to enter into multi-year commitments. We already participate in the MSC and of course the statewide databases. These alone exhaust our yearly general fund budget.
That the cost isn't prohibitive in regard to our budget. That our voice will be heard as a smaller institution.
staff time required
cost concerns only.
The cost of participation. Especially at first if there are any upfront costs. I am also concerned that the two largest institutions UM and MSU-Bozeman will want to dominate. This seems to already be happening with the selection of a new ILS where they are the only ones on the committee to choose a vendor.
That we will be too dependent on MSU or UMt initiatives without having input from smaller schools (like with Primo). We are also very very understaffed.
No, I don't have concerns about UM Western library's role in the MALC.
Gonna be pretty hard to pull away from the current MSC that we have been pioneers in. Trouble is, we are a small academic voice in a pubic/school dominated consortium. We have a terrific and responsive staff at MSC with the MSL. I would need to have the assurance that an equal or greater technical support staff LOCALLY would be available for implementation, migration and continued support.
Retaining local autonomy. Opportunities for input. Already off to a rocky start with an RFP group selected solely from MSU and UM. This lack of transparency breeds distrust.
Currently we participate in the Montana Shared Catalog, and have had a great experience with this consortium. I was curious to learn if it would be possible to participate in both of these consortia or if it will end up being one or the other? I think it would be hard for us to leave MSC.
Limited budget.
price, staff time required
Having a limited budget, need to know costs before committing to any purchasing or licensing agreements.
Just that we are able to be involved in the discussion of opportunities or issues from the start.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	15

7. What character traits are MOST important to you in consortium leadership?
(transparency, advocacy, organization, cooperation, etc)?

Text Response
Cooperation, advocacy, holistic vision because some libraries have the means and some don't
communication and cooperation
Outward communication/input from those not on leadership team Open meetings/transparency
all important
cooperation and transparency
Cooperation with transparency. If everyone isn't equal there is no point in doing it.
1 Transparency,2 organization
First would be transpareny, followed by cooperation, excellent communication, business focused, size and institutional blindness, patron focused,
Cooperation is the key. This cannot be dominated by the two flagship universities (and I'm a GRIZ!) but, rather, equal voices must be permitted from each of the units. Organizational leadership must also be transparent and responsive to all members equally.
Openness to feedback from all players Well organized Information sharing on potential acquisitions/decisions
Cooperation, organization, lots of experience
Representing all libraries equally. Transparency.
Cooperation
all are equally important
Willing to communicate with and listen to all libraries regardless of size; to be organized; willing to advocate for all sizes of libraries.
listening to and responding to the concerns of all members, cooperation, transparency, advocacy,
All the above

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	17

8. Given a rotational system, would you/your institution be willing to act as the consortium's primary advocate during a specified term?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Yes		13	76%
2	No		4	24%
	Total		17	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.24
Variance	0.19
Standard Deviation	0.44
Total Responses	17

9. What type of cross-institution committees should be formed to facilitate shared governance and communication?

Text Response
not sure
Communication, i.e. manager(s) for a blog or listserv or rss feed, etc. Collection Development teams for print and digital books/ebooks, journal databases. Council Executive
An overall board of directors consisting of library administration. Other committees such as database purchasing or journal package purchasing could be a smaller committee of library staff that directors appoint from their staff.
Budgeting and collection development.
collection development, ersources and services, MALC funding, resources sharing, continuing education, advocacy
Cataloging consistency, bylaws, budget, governance.
eResource Mgmt ebook Mgmt Cataloging Digitization Interlibrary Loan/Reciprocal Borrowing ILS administrators Serials
cataloging should be one- involving everyone who does original cataloging
We should have a board of administrators but we should also have a working group that can address technical issues of collection development, access, training, etc.
committees focused on the eight areas listed in question #1. would appreciate suggestions based on what other consortia value
Cooperative purchasing options and opportunities, executive committee

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	11

10. How do you view equal voting among members?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	1 library = 1 vote		14	88%
2	X FTE = 1 vote (example for every 1000 students the library gets a vote. This is a hypothetical number for example purposes only. No one would have less than one vote.)		0	0%
3	X Budget = 1 vote (example for every $10,000 the library gets a vote. This is a hypothetical number for example purposes only. No one would have less than one vote.)		0	0%
4	Other:		2	13%
	Total		16	

Other:

In the MSC it is one library = one vote. I think this works well.

scenario 1 - too much power to small libraries. Scenarios 2+3 - small institutions would be outvoted every time. Weighted, significant but not overwhelming vote should be given to large institutions.

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	1.38
Variance	1.05
Standard Deviation	1.02
Total Responses	16

11. Should different levels of consortial affiliation be allowed?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Yes		12	75%
2	No		4	25%
	Total		16	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.25
Variance	0.20
Standard Deviation	0.45
Total Responses	16

12. If different levels were allowed, what would you like to see?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Full membership - Pay dues, have voting rights, equal say in what is brought to group for purchase, professional development, etc.		6	50%
2	Affiliate membership - Pay partial dues to have access to purchasing into databases, ILS, etc but don't have voting power or say as to what is brought before the group.		1	8%
3	Other:		5	42%
	Total		12	

Other:

no dues, membership by virtue of library type, rotating access to joint purchase collaborations based on subscriptions, cooperative authority based on participation

I would like to see the ability for academic libraries to be able to be full members or affiliate members. I would also like to see other library types take part in what we have to offer at the affilate member level to build our funding, collection, etc.

Would like to see options for both Full and Affiliate membership. Some institutions may be too small to be able to buy into all packages, resources etc.

Affiliate membership might be a good option for those who would like to remain part of the MSC but still have access to purchasing options through another consortia

blend of full and affiliate

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.92
Variance	0.99
Standard Deviation	1.00
Total Responses	12

13. Is your library willing to commit a small amount of staff time to contribute toward service on consortium committees, such as a resource sharing committee, executive committee, legislative committee, etc.?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Yes	████████████	16	100%
2	No		0	0%
3	No, but we would be willing to pay a higher membership fee to be exempt from serving on committees.		0	0%
	Total		16	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	1
Mean	1.00
Variance	0.00
Standard Deviation	0.00
Total Responses	16

14. If there is anything else you would like the task force to know or consider please enter here:

Text Response
Thank you for attempting this.
We would like as much prep-time as possible for any major changes to our work demands based on consortium changes. IE being able to prepare for catalog or patron record transfers.
Not that I can think of, great job with the survey.
Completely explore all models currently in use in our region. Build support for legislative funding through the Governor's Office and BOR
Need acronym besides MALC
Bozeman and Missoula need to stop looking down on the other academic libraries in the state.
The most important objective for forming a consortium is to improve the access that students and faculty have to information resources. There is poverty in Montana with regard to information access and that's a problem we can solve by working together.
A discussion by all potential members of these questions would have clarified the meaning of the questions and consequences of the answers, and made the results more reflective of true respondent intent.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	8