

MOBIUS Catalog Design Advisory Committee (MCDAC)

Minutes
October 12, 2001

Meeting chaired by Mary Ann Mercante, (Bridges – Maryville University)
Minutes: Fran Stumpf, (Archway – St. Charles Community College)

Attendees:

Joy Dodson, QUEST
Jim Dutton, MCO
Inas El-Sayed, ARTHUR
Karen Fiegenbaum, WILO
Gary Harris, MCO
Phyllis Holzenberg, SWAN alternate
Robin Kespohl, MCO
Pat Logsdon, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Jaime McInnis, MERLIN (sub)
Mary Ann Mercante, BRIDGES
Fran Stumpf, ARCHWAY
Pat Teter, LANCE
Michelle Turvey, SWAN

MOBIUS UPDATE

The Quest and Galahad clusters are in implementation. Quest is not on Release 2001 but Galahad is. Galahad will be trained on Millennium Cataloging.

Bridges is finishing Acquisitions training the week of October 8th. They went live on Inn-Reach September 26th.

Millennium Cataloging has been installed on all cluster servers except Washington University. MCO will investigate training for all of Mobius after Galahad is trained.

Pick Up Anywhere - MCO has seen a draft of what Innovative is working on for Pick up Anywhere. MCO's first impression is that it is not an ideal solution but it is workable. The Mobius Access Advisory Committee (MAAC) will be discussing this issue at their next meeting.

CLICKABLE LOCATION CODES

A test was conducted on the Arthur cluster where location codes in the catalog were clickable so that patrons will be able to tell where material was owned. A problem arose when it was discovered that, while location codes are unique within a specific cluster, there is a significant duplication of codes among the clusters. Several ideas as to how to deal with this were suggested and discussed.

1. Show all duplicate locations under that code.
2. Do not hot-link the duplicate codes.

3. Have "Ask for Assistance" rather than the locations display. Hardy indicated that this was not doable.
4. Have the display show code=location. For example, clgii=St. Charles Second Floor. The problem with this is that patrons never see the location codes.
5. One suggestion was to make all location codes unique throughout Mobius after everyone is implemented. Robin indicated that this is a fundamental change to the set-up. The location code is an element that Ill says never to change but rather to discontinue use of the code.

After discussion of all suggestions it was decided that we would have a trial where all locations would be clickable. The holdings that have duplicate location codes will display information for all locations. If Hardy is able to do this, the popup box for the location codes will also contain a statement that says, "If multiple locations, see a librarian."

Display of 856 in Mobius

Three bugs have been found in the display of the 856 field in the cluster item holdings area of the MOBIUS union catalog record.

1. Only one URL from a bib record will display. Whatever URL's are in a record, all should display.
2. URL's are either not updated or are updated incorrectly when changes are made at the cluster level.
3. If there is no URL in the cluster bib record, the URL from the master bib record will display.

Several scenarios were discussed for displaying 856 fields.

1. Do not display the URL in the cluster item holdings. Continue to display the URL(s) from the master bib record only.
2. Display the URL(s) in both the bib record and the cluster item holdings (URL(s) from the cluster bib will display in the cluster item holdings; URLs in the bib master record will display in the bib record.)
3. Display the URL in the cluster item holdings only.

Displaying subfield z from the 856 was discussed. This subfield is for public notes. Merlin had the idea that Marcive could insert a note in the \$z in GPO documents indicating that a title is for Public Use.

Time was spent on discussing the display of \$z and the suppression of \$u which is the URL. Jim changed the wwwoptions file to demonstrate how this change would look in the Mobius catalog. The committee liked the look of this feature.

The committee came to consensus on continuing to display the URL's in both the bib record and the cluster item holdings. The display of \$z will be left turned on until the next meeting. This will give Public Service librarians time to look at this feature and evaluate it for the next meeting. Robin will talk to Marcive about whether Marcive could insert a \$z saying "Freely available" in the 856 fields of government documents records which they supply to MOBIUS members. If Marcive could provide this service, Robin would commit MCO to a one-time project to add the same subfield z to the gov doc records in MOBIUS not supplied by Marcive. After the fix, cluster catalogers will need to update the government documents on an ongoing basis.

In Mobius Merlin would like to see the statement Link to web version: which is within the box that displays the URL links changed to May be available locally: check your local catalog.

Bridges would like to see statement Display Holdings of MOBIUS Libraries changed to Display Holdings and Web Links of MOBIUS Libraries.

The above two suggestions may affect language that is hard-coded into the Innopac software.

Authority Load from III

Discussion was held on III's offer to load Merlin's authorities into the Mobius database.

Wash U. is concerned with the problems that Merlin is having with Automatic Authority Control Processing. Robin says that the authorities will not be loaded until Merlin's problems are fixed.

Bridges had questions about the authority load:

1. Is there a cost to Mobius? Robin thinks that there will be none.
2. What if we changed our minds?
3. How many false drops will there be? Won't know until we work with it.
4. What affect will this have on our major searches?
5. How up-to-date are Merlin's authorities? Not very.

Robin will take these questions to III. She will get back to us at the next meeting.

Point of information - III loaded Library of Congress subject headings into OhioLink 's database. The authorities were removed because of all of the blind references. There has been no experience with a specific institution's authority database being loaded into a consortium catalog.

Labels for Limit by Bib Level

The committee looked at this option in "Limit this Search". The typical user will not know what the labels mean. It was decided to eliminate the Bib Level delimiter from this option.

The committee decided to change Other Format to Material Type in the Advanced Keyword Search options. Material Format will be eliminated because it contains the same Bib Level labels that were in the "Limit This Search" option.

Robin would like to have the Advanced Keyword Search screen at the Mobius level redesigned. This will be referred to the Access Advisory Committee.

Robin would like to have all clusters not currently using the Quick Search screen to look at it and think about implementing for their catalogs.

Default Export Display

There is a problem with the printing of call numbers in Export Display.

Full display will export the call numbers of **all** the items attached to the record. The brief display gives no call number at all. MCDAC added the Brief Display to the Format of List options.

Currently the Format of List options are Full, Brief, ProCite, End Note, and MARC. The committee is discussing displaying only Full and Brief records. Full record display is always the default.

The information in the Brief display is set to Author, Title, Publisher, and OCLC number. The committee discussed having Author, Title, Publisher, and Edition.

Currently in the box **Send List To SUBJECT:** shows *MOBIUS Union Catalog Records*. Quest suggested that *TYPE YOUR SUBJECT HERE* be in the box instead.

Reschedule next meeting

Due to conflict the January 11th meeting was tentatively rescheduled to January 25th. Discussion will be held via email to firm up the date.

Mary Ann Mercante cannot attend the March 8, 2002 meeting. This date was tentatively set depending on the IUG Enhancement Cycle. The committee will look into changing this date if possible.

Discussion continued on who will preside over a meeting if the chair was not present. Do we have the past chair take over? The committee would like to have elections for a

vice-chair via email. This position would not be a chair-elect position and will be in place by the January meeting.

Other business

Washington University requested that the 533 \$7 be suppressed. The committee consented to this request. Robin expanded it to all \$7's in any field. \$7's are just code, never English.

Rhonda Whithaus will be the new Merlin representative to MCDAC.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10pm.