

# Minutes of the MOBIUS User Experience and Metadata Committee

Meeting October 8, 2020, 3:00 p.m.

Members Present

* Anne Barker, University of Missouri – Columbia
* Nav Khanal, University of Missouri – Columbia
* Rebecca Klemme Eliceiri, St. Charles Community College
* Peter Klein, Tulsa City-County Library
* Jennifer Parsons, Committee Chair, Central Methodist University
* Stephanie Ruhe, MOBIUS Organizer

Members Absent

* Donna Bacon, Ex-Officio, MOBIUS
* Waheedah Bilal, Board Representative, Lincoln University

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order and introductions

Meeting was called to order at approximately 3:00 p.m.

1. Adoption of the agenda

Agenda adopted as presented

1. Approval of previous meeting’s minutes

Minutes approved as presented

1. Old business

None to report

1. New business
* Changes to outdated subject heading “Illegal aliens”

On 9/25/2020 on the mailing list for the User Experience and Metadata Committee, Rebecca Klemme Elicieri suggested that the LCSH “Illegal aliens” be changed to “Undocumented immigrants” and “Aliens” changed to “Noncitizens” (see attachment).

There was some discussion on whether the logistics of this were possible, and if so how it would be done, but all present seemed to think it was a good idea, and that we should investigate the process with MOBIUS staff (Christopher Gould, who works most closely with authority records, was discussed as a candidate). Nav Khanal suggested a periodic review of other subject headings that were outdated— such as for LGBTQ people, or people of various ethnic and racial groups. Anne Barker said she would check with her cataloging colleagues at UM-Columbia as well, to see how this might play out in standalone catalogs.

* Innovative Idea Lab

The committee then discussed the options presented by the Innovative Idea Lab, and how it was like and unlike the Innovative Users Group. Stephanie Ruhe pointed out that it was designed as a way to streamline IUG enhancements, making accounts much more portable, as opposed to attached to a single institution. After some discussion, it was determined that a committee-wide account was not necessary, but sharing knowledge about Idea Lab with other MOBIUS institutions and committees was a good idea. A session on this at the next MOBIUS annual conference was mentioned as an option, as well as past presentation on Idea Lab by Renee Brummett.

* Linked Open Data in MOBIUS

Rebecca Klemme-Elicieri asked if there was any progress on the use of Linked Open Data in the MOBIUS union catalog. Stephanie Ruhe explained that while there was interest in Linked Open Data around the time Agency was finally pushed through, Innovative was purchased by Ex Libra’s, and therefore Linked Open Data projects, as well as the Inspire project, were let go.

* Authority profiles

Several members expressed interest in seeing their clusters’ as well as the MOBIUS union catalog’s authority profile. Jennifer Parsons mentioned that she would ask the MOBIUS help desk if seeing such a thing is possible.

1. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:45 p.m.