

BRIDGES CATALOGUING COMMITTEE
October 10, 2007

The Bridges Cataloguing Committee met October 10, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at Harris-Stowe State University. Kathy Nystrom presided for Committee Chair Denise Pakala who was unable to attend.

ATTENDEES

Kathy Nystrom, Eden-Webster Library
Eileen Condon, Eden-Webster Library
Wendy Schlegel, Eden-Webster University
Mary Ann Mercante, Maryville University
Brady Shuman, Covenant Theological Seminary
Suzanne Gleason, Lindenwood University
Joel Shedlofsky, Logan College of Chiropractic
Sharon McCaslin, Fontbonne University
Julie Portman, Fontbonne University
Heather Bemis, Fontbonne University
Linda Orzel, Harris-Stowe State University
Elaine Trost, Missouri Baptist University

TIM WHISENANT REMARKS and Q&A

Tim Whisenant, the new regional representative for Innovative, introduced himself. He has replaced Ronnie Storey who left Innovative to return to working in a library. Tim has worked in libraries in both Reference/Bib Instruction and Acquisitions/Serials. He previously worked at III as a trainer, left III to work in Systems at the University of Texas, San Antonio, and has now returned to III as a regional sales representative. His email is: timw@iii.com

Agency Software

Tim heard the concerns about the Agency software at the morning Bridges Directors meeting and has taken notes on the problems. He knows there are discussions within the INN-Reach group at III regarding the Agency software. He will check on the status of resolving the problems and will see if any other consortiums are implementing the Agency software.

It was suggested that since MOBIUS is, as far as we know, the only “cluster” consortium, including us in Beta-testing might help with product testing.

Labels

In response to a question from Joel regarding improvement of label printing, Tim reported that in the 2007 enhancements there is a major revamping of printing. Release 2007 will include "Jaspar reports", a printing package that will allow the user complete control over printing, including label printing and circulation notice printing. Release 2007 is going into "integrated Beta" testing, the last step before release. Springfield-Greene County Library is a test site. There is as yet no date for the release of Release 2007.

Encore

Tim reported that no date has been set for the Encore product being in general release. Michigan State, Yale Law School, Scottsdale Public, and Binghamton University (the latter not an III site) are test sites that have made Encore available for the public. Pricing has been set for Encore.

Tim also reported that III has been learning from its experience with WebPacPro. The "Did You Mean..." function in Encore looks at your catalog to find possible matches, instead of just looking at a dictionary. Unique to Encore will be facets and tag clouds. Encore requires a separate server because it takes a lot of indexing.

Product Developments

Eileen asked if there was anything new to share on product development. Tim stated that III continues to develop its Electronic Resource Management product. It is onto its third release with over 200 users. It supported the Counter format and will now also support the SUSHI format for statistics gathering.

Tim hasn't heard any recent updates on the Article-Reach testing.

INSTITUTIONAL NEWS

Logan: Joel reported that the Library had problems with their website. A third party had been hosting the website but there were security concerns, so the website was transferred to a new server and there were a lot of "access denied" situations.

As of September 1, Joel has become the University Archivist, in addition to his other responsibilities. The previous archivist retired due to health problems and the archives were transferred to the Library. The Logan archives were started over twenty years ago by two graduates from the first year class of Logan (from 1939) who begun by calling for donations of materials from alum. Logan will be celebrating its 75th anniversary in 2010 and the college will want to pull items from the archives for the celebration.

Missouri Baptist: Elaine reported that the staff is back in the Library. The renovation is completed. Ann Calhoun is back at work after a leave of absence.

Covenant Theological Seminary: Brady reported that October is Theological Libraries month. The Library has been decorated for fall, has a bowl of candy at the Circ Desk and has developed quizzes with prizes. From Oct. 22 through 26th, ATS and HLC will do a joint accreditation visit. Denise has just started a project for 1,500 to 2,000 titles with no OCLC #s.

Harris-Stowe: Linda is serving as Interim Director. The University has created a retention specialist office. A copy of most textbooks used in classes is now on Reserve in the Library because it is thought that the cost of textbooks is one factor leading to students not staying in college. The money for this does not come out of the Library budget. The body count in the Library has increased this semester as have attendees at their bib instruction session.

Webster University: The Library conducted a Library Satisfaction Survey and received approximately 1,000 responses. Overall, the responses were positive. One recurring complaint was that the Library charged for printing and was the only place on campus that did. In response, the Library will begin subsidizing printing in January. The first 250 copies will be free.

Fontbonne: Sharon reported that the Library is beginning a weeding project. They are beginning with the N's. It is the first time a systematic weeding has been done.

The campus as a whole has a project known as the "dedicated semester" where across the campus, activities are held on the selected topic. Judaism was the topic for fall. All classes that are flexible enough incorporate the topic in some way. There are many speakers. Sharon thinks it was a great success. Plans are underway to do it again next year.

Heather Bemis is a fall intern working in the Library and is thinking about going into cataloging.

Lindenwood: Suzanne reported that the new café in the Library is a huge hit. They are working on a digital library tour to be available on their website.

Maryville: Mary Ann reported that the renovation of the Library first floor is completed. The Library has co-sponsored with the Office of MultiCultural Programs a "Maryville Reads" program in which a book is selected for the whole campus to read. The selection for this first year is Freedom Writers Diary by Erin Gruwell. Classes are encouraged to work it into their syllabus if appropriate. There are discussions and other activities focusing on the book.

VIDEO FORMATS PROBLEM

Kathy described a problem that Webster has been encountering when faculty request videos/DVDs that are in PAL format rather than in NTSC (the format used in the U.S.)

These videos can't be used in the Webster classrooms because the equipment won't play them. The Library puts special labels on these videos/DVDs alerting users to their PAL format and that they may not play on most U.S. machines. The Library also includes a list of where they can be played on campus. The Faculty Development Center can make a temporary copy in U.S. format, if there is not a U.S. format available. The original copy is put into storage. After the temporary copy is used, it is destroyed and the original returns to usage.

No other Bridges Library has encountered this problem as yet.

MCDAC REPORT

Kathy gave the MCDAC report.

Steve Wynn from Truman State University is the MCDAC Chair for this year.

Agency Software: MCDAC discussed the problems with the new Agency Software. The Agency Software creates several serious problems with URLs if the URLs are in the bib record rather than in the item record. It is not known how we would move all the URLs to item records and how we would monitor them since the URL checker will not work with item records. SHARE will also be a problem since the Agency software requires that each code be affiliated with only one institution. MCDAC has recommended to the MOBIUS Executive Committee that the implementation of Agency Software be delayed until these problems can be resolved. Several other MOBIUS Advisory Committees have concurred with this recommendation.

Authority Control: The RFP for ongoing Authority Control was released. Responses were due in August, but Kathy hasn't heard anything yet.

EndNote Display: Additional lines have been added to the EndNote display in the central catalog at Truman Library's request.

Local URL Product This new product sounds like the answer to the MOBIUS enhancement request for separate fields for subscription vs. freely available URLs (the 856/956 enhancement request). It is being offered as a separate product with a separate price by III.

Request This Item: MCDAC, based on a request from Bridges, is looking at ways to improve this display, either by removing one screen or having the Request button appear on the second screen rather than the first. Jim Dutton is checking on this.

Clickable Location Codes: When the same location code stands for more than one library, patrons are often confused by the pop-up box with multiple library names. MCDAC is considering eliminating the Clickable Location Codes function. Representatives are to query their cluster. This is one problem that Agency Software might fix.

WebPacPro: There was discussion as to when/if this should be implemented in the central catalog. A MCDAC Task Force will study this question.

LABELS

Several folks shared how they handle label production. Joel at Logan has a Word template file. Maryville uses Logan's template file, with some modifications for its printers. Joel has shared this file with Harris-Stowe as well.

Denise at Covenant uses the OCLC label program, cutting & pasting the call # from the item record and reformatting.

Kathy and Joel both cut and paste the call # as a vertical line into the label display and reformat. Mary Ann retypes rather than reformat.

MU GOVERNMENT PUBLICATION CHANGE IN ITYPES

Eileen said that the only thing we needed to be concerned about in an ITYPE change was to take a look at loan rules and be sure we had them set as we wanted.

URL DISPLAYS OPENING IN THE CATALOG WINDOW

Julie brought up a concern about the way in which clicking on a URL in the public catalog opens the resource in the same window. If the patron doesn't know to use the Back button, but clicks to close the window, the patron is not returned to the catalog screen; instead the catalog is closed. There does not appear to be a solution to this problem.

MODOCS LIST

Kathy inquired if anyone had problems with bringing in OCLC records from the MoDocs list. No one reported any problems.

FOREIGN SUBJECT HEADINGS

The Cataloguing Committee is forwarding to the Site Coordinators a recommendation to remove foreign subject headings from the Bridges Catalog.

ANNENBERG PROJECT STREAMING VIDEO RECORDS

Mary Ann described the MARC records with their links to the streaming video on educational topics that are available to MORENET members at no-charge. There are about 1,500 of them that Maryville plans to load. If other libraries are interested, they should contact Mary Ann. The page on the MOREnet site with more information is:

<http://www.more.net/online/annenberg/index.html>

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

Maryville plans to add information to the bib record indicating that a journal is peer-reviewed. Mary Ann said that Maryville is planning to use a 655 unless someone has a better suggestion. No one did, so Maryville will add this information in as a 655 genre heading.

TAKING SIDES SERIES

Mary Ann reported a problem Maryville encountered with titles in the Taking Sides series. Many have "Taking sides" in subfield a of the 245 and the topic title in subfield p. This is creating problem displays in the webopac in response to certain kinds of searches. Since Webster and Fontbonne appear to be the other libraries on these records, these three libraries will separately discuss how to handle the series.

PERSONAL NAME HEADINGS

Kathy has been updating bib records to reflect announced heading changes and putting a note in the 690 on the authority record, since a new authority record should come through at the next MARS processing. This results in a situation where the bibs are correct but the authority record 1XX heading is still incorrect. After discussion, it was decided that changing the 1XX in the authority record would be preferable, either through updating the heading or finding a new authority record and overlaying the old one.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Bridges Cataloguing Committee will be on Dec. 5, 2007, 1:00 p.m. at Maryville University.