

BRIDGES CATALOGUING COMMITTEE
February 27, 2008

The Bridges Cataloguing Committee met February 27, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. at Missouri Baptist University. Denise Pakala, Committee Chair, presided.

ATTENDEES

Brady Shuman, Covenant Theological Seminary
Wendy Schlegel, Eden-Webster University
Kathy Nystrom, Eden-Webster University
Joel Shedlofsky, Logan College of Chiropractic
Denise Pakala, Covenant Theological Seminary
Anne Calhoun, Missouri Baptist University
Elaine Trost, Missouri Baptist University
Julie Portman, Fontbonne University
Mary Ann Mercante, Maryville University

MISSOURI BAPTIST LIBRARY RENOVATION TOUR

Nitsa Hindeleh, Director of the Missouri Baptist University Library, gave the Committee a tour of the newly renovated Library.

INSTITUTIONAL NEWS

Covenant: Denise reported that a new building is being constructed on campus. When construction is completed, faculty will move from the upstairs of the Library into the new building. The space will go to Information Technology and Media, rather than becoming Library space. It will be beneficial to the Library to have these departments so close.

Eden-Webster: Their University President resigned precipitously which left people wondering what was happening. The decision, however, really does seem to be his decision.

Webster University has been chosen by the Government of China to be a site for a Confucius Institute, which will be housed at Webster's Old Post Office location. There are potentially 2,000 to 3,000 volumes that will come with the Institute. The Library will get to choose what to keep.

The Library has applied for a \$15,000 "Bring in an Expert" grant to bring in a consultant to analyze their Technical Services workflow. This will include technical services, e-products, and technology workflows. The Library should hear next month as to the outcome of the grant application.

The grant application process required that the Library go out for bids. The Library interviewed three bid responders (Neline, Solinet, and R-2) and chose Neline. Solinet's

proposal was for \$6,000, but Solinet didn't seem to be "on their wave length", would be on-site a shorter time and just didn't seem to be planning to do what Eden-Webster wanted. R-2 made an initial bid of \$35,000. When told that \$15,000 was the maximum available, the bid was restructured, but would include no final report, which was not acceptable to the State Library.

Logan: Joel reported that the conversion of the former gym building into the new Student Center should be completed in 95 days. The cost of the HVAC system has doubled which will impact the budgets in many departments, including a planned book scanner for Archives. Joel is continuing work on the Logan Library website and gave the Committee a quick demo. The Logan Board of Trustees has approved acupuncture for their clinics. Logan now has an institutional copyright policy. Joel is chair of Logan's Copyright Committee. Earlier in his career, Joel spent five years as a process engineer and would be willing to offer his services to us in workflow analysis.

Maryville: Mary Ann reported that the Library finally did receive a credit card for purchasing. Reconciling the monthly statements is time-consuming. Mary Ann asked what others' experience was. Kathy replied that at Webster it is also a very time-consuming process.

Fontbonne: Julie reported that a part-time position has been made full-time and will be part Circulation and part Technical Services.

ANNENBERG MEDIA RECORDS

The Committee agreed by consensus that the Annenberg Media Records would be added with SHARE item records. Explicit permission from all SHARE members has never been necessary to add SHARE items.

AGENCY SOFTWARE

Kathy asked for input regarding the Agency software. MCO has asked MCDAC and MCAG each to make a recommendation regarding Agency software. The options are either to cancel the order with III for the Agency Software or to purchase the Agency Software, selecting one of the two III-suggested "solutions" below (cf. 2/26/2008 email to Bridges Cataloguing Committee from Kathy Nystrom for sample screen displays)

1. Remove all 856 links from the MOBIUS catalog. Patrons would access links from the cluster catalogs only.
2. Implement a program change offered by III to display all links from a cluster bibliographic record with a holdings display of all libraries from same cluster.

Problems with III's solutions were discussed. III's solution one would result in the loss of many "freely available online" links in the Union catalog. Solution two leads to very confusing holdings displays.

The Bridges Cataloguing Committee consensus recommendation to MCDAC is to cancel the order for Agency Software and take the money saved for use on something else, possibly the local URL product. Kathy will report this recommendation to MCDAC.

NON-ENGLISH SUBJECT HEADINGS, etc.

Denise provided an update on the status of subject headings with 2nd indicator values other than 0, 1, or 2. These subject headings are being removed from the Bridges keyword index. The headings will remain on the record because of the Mobius Consortium-wide policy against removing 6xx tags. Because of Maryville's concern regarding losing unique terms from the keyword index, a project will be undertaken to copy unique headings (those not present in another field) into a 650 or 690. A Create List review file was made for each of these other indicators. Denise cleaned up and emptied the review file for 2nd indicator 6. (This contained the French language subject headings.)

Committee members will share the work on the 2nd indicator 4 records in review file number 300. The Committee agreed on the following procedure for working with each record:

1. If a 650 4 on a record is the same as a 650 0 on the record, leave the record as is.
2. If a 650 4 on a record is not the same as a 650 0 but is a valid LC subject heading, repeat it as a 650 0.
3. If a 650 4 on a record is not the same as a 650 0 and is not a valid LC heading, repeat it as a 690 4.
4. If a 650 4 heading is in a foreign language, leave the record.

When work on a record is completed, remove the record from the review file.

MOBIUS ILS TASKFORCE REPORT

Denise reported on the work of the MOBIUS ILS Taskforce. The Taskforce was formed to provide advice on the purchase by MOBIUS of a keyword search interface product for the Union Catalog that would work with federated search engines. MCO is looking at writing a grant request for the initial purchase and for the ongoing costs.

The Taskforce originally included Endeca and World Cat Local in the list of possible products. Endeca proved to be a really, really expensive product. World Cat Local works off the master record in World Cat, so any local record enhancements would not be available for retrieval. Denise demonstrated two products: Encore (from III) and AquaBrowser. The tag cloud operates differently in these two products. In AquaBrowser, the tag cloud broadens your search while in Encore the tag cloud narrows your search. Denise provided a handout with sites for the 3 products: Primo, AquaBrowser, and Encore.

BACKSTAGE AUTHORITY CONTROL PROCESSING

Denise brought samples of the new reports we will be receiving.

Reports R07 and R09 for Genre Headings appear to be identical. R07 is “Unmatched Primary Headings” while R09 is “Possible Invalid Tags- Tag Unchanged.” Wendy will look at these in more detail.

Report R14 “Possible Leading Articles” appears straight forward. The instances reported on the sample are correct and need no work (i.e. they are instances where “a” or “an” are not initial articles.) This report should be checked each time it is received, but most instances will probably be correct as is.

On Report R09, “Possible Invalid Tags- Tags Unchanged” for Series Headings, the instances reported on the sample are correct and need no work. This report should be checked each time it is received, but most instances will probably be correct as is.

Report R25 “Unrecognized z Subfields” lists headings with subfield z that are not in the list of established place names used by Backstage. A couple of the instances are incorrectly coded subfields (e.g. z History). Denise will correct the ones in the sample. Some of the true geographic names listed as unrecognizable are surprising. Backstage doesn’t appear to be checking all it should.

R09 “Possible Invalid Tags- Tag Unchanged” for LC Subjects will contain many instances that are correct, but should be checked each time it is received.

Report R32 “Tags Flipped” should be looked at each time it is received to be sure no tags were flipped incorrectly.

Report R11 “Heading Usage Not Authorized” seems too small. Denise will look at this more closely.

TECH SERVICES WORKFLOW DOCUMENTS

Julie distributed sample procedures from Fontbonne. Discussion of this topic was postponed to a future meeting because of time constraints.

XENU LINK CHECKER

Denise distributed a handout outlining how to process these reports. The report files are posted to the MOBIUS ftp site. To access them, you can use your web browser and type in: <ftp://mco.mobius.missouri.edu> There are files for each institution at that site. Column b tells the status of the link and column d shows the bib # of the record with the URL. Denise connected to the site and the Committee looked at a report online.

If the status is “redir” the link on the bib record has been changed and a redirection to the new link is in place. If the redir is Library of Congress, Denise doesn’t worry too much about it, since LC redirs tend to be permanent. However, if the redir is from another agency, she changes the URL in the bib record to match the new URL, since other redirs are generally kept in place for a limited time period.

Julie asked about the best means for doing FTP. Mary Ann mentioned that she has a freeware program Core FTP Lite that is very easy to use. She will send information to the Committee members on it.

SCOTTISH LITERATURE HEADINGS

Denise reported that LC's recent cancellation of the Scottish Literature subject headings became somewhat of an international incident, with the story being picked up by the BBC and CNN. Some Scottish authors also became involved in the discussion. Library of Congress has basically said "we're sorry" and has reversed its decision. All the headings have now been changed back.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Bridges Cataloguing Committee will be held at Missouri Baptist University on May 14th.