

MOBIUS Catalog Design Advisory Group Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2002

Members present: Karen Fiegenbaum (WILO), Michelle Turvey and Phyllis Holzenburg (SWAN), Mark Scharff and Pat Logsdon (Wash. U.), Denise Pakala (Bridges), Fran Stumpf and Ann Riley (Archway), Joy Dodson (Quest), Nancy Stancel (MERLIN), Georgia Baskett (Arthur), Cathy Palmer (Towers), Cathy Roeder and Twylla James (Galahad), Pat Teter and Steve Wynn (LANCE), Robin Kespohl and Jim Dutton (MCO).

In the absence of the current chair, Fran Stumpf, Vice-Chair, agreed to act as chair for the day.

First order of business was to elect a new Chair and Vice-Chair. Nominations were taken from the floor. Michelle Turvey was nominated, but she declined. MaryAnn Mercante was nominated—since she was absent, it was noted that she had previously agreed to this nomination. The motion to nominate MaryAnn was seconded. A motion was made that nominations cease and that MaryAnn Mercante be elected Chair by acclamation. That motion was seconded and passed. Michelle Turvey was nominated for Vice-Chair. She accepted the nomination. A motion was made that nominations cease and that Michelle Turvey be elected Vice-Chair by acclamation. That motion was seconded and passed.

MOBIUS Update

Towers cluster “went live” on circulation on July 9. They will “go live” on INN-Reach on October 9.

Missouri State Library has begun the profiling process. They will join the Arthur cluster. They will “go live” on September 1 and then join INN-Reach about 90 days later.

Cottey College will begin implementation July 17. They will join the SWAN cluster.

Rockhurst College and KC Art Institute will both join the WILO cluster and begin profiling in the fall.

Two additional institutions are planning to join the MOBIUS consortium but have been unable to secure the funding for their implementation (because of the state budget cuts, implementation funding for FY03 has been cut—funds may be available next year.) These two institutions are St. Louis College of Pharmacy and Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The Table of Contents Enrichment has been suspended due to budget cuts. Authority control will continue, however.

Automatic Authority Control is still not working for MERLIN. It will not be turned on for other clusters until III has fixed the problems—it seems to be working for WashU.

Update on Action Items from Previous Meetings

- ⊕ The requested additions to the MCDAC area of the MCO website have been done.
- ⊕ A motion was made, seconded and passed to change the language status from “Unavailable” to “Not Requestable.”
- ⊕ A motion was made, seconded and passed to change the language from “Link to Web Version” to “Click ‘Display Holdings’ for Additional Links”.

- ⊕ Hardy Pottinger of MCO came in to discuss clickable location codes. He has been working to convert all the catalogs to “Companion” which is a web page management software. He is beginning the process of converting the INN-Reach catalog. Changes to webpac design are easier to accomplish with this software. Clickable location codes will be incorporated into this project and hopefully be accomplished by the time the Inn-Reach conversion is complete. [It was noted that at future meetings we should begin looking at the redesign of the MOBIUS page—things like the quick search box, use of icons, etc]
- ⊕ The Authority record load for the Inn-Reach catalog has been preserved in Robin’s budget for this fiscal year. If there are further budget cuts, this may go, however. As it stands now, MERLIN is 18 months behind because of the problems with automatic authority control. Can we hold off until MERLIN is ready?
- ⊕ The Inn-Reach enhancements requests were given to III at the IUG meeting in April. There were two enhancement requests which concern the 856 issue—one from OhioLink and one from MOBIUS. OhioLink suggested using the Bcode3 to determine display. MOBIUS suggested using indicators to determine display (non MARC use of indicators.) Both were rejected and a task force was appointed to study the issue. Robin has been appointed chair of this task force and she will work with OhioLink and Prospector to find a solution (if there is one.) Right now, she is looking at using |x (non-public note) to determine the display. Anyone with suggestions, opinions, etc. is encouraged to discuss it with Robin.

MARCIVE Proposal

“Freely Available Online” is currently being added to all government documents records loaded by MARCIVE across the state. The retroactive phase of this project has not been completed yet (it is to be done by MCO.) Notification will go out to all libraries about this conversion before it begins. MCO is looking into a URL checker which will determine when URL’s change (as they do frequently.) Can we request that the Missouri State Library (cataloging agency of Missouri documents) add 856’s to their records? We will make this request when they are done with full implementation. Note: henceforth when any cataloger in MOBIUS catalogs a document with an 856, they should add a |z “Freely Available Online.”

Should we do a retroactive |z addition for documents from states outside Missouri? A motion was made to add a |z to the 856 for all state documents, regardless of the issuing state. It was seconded and passed.

Item Status Codes

Robin distributed a list of Item Status Codes for the various clusters. These are not consistent across the board. The only consistent code is the “-“ for “Available.” We looked at the list and made changes to the display of the various codes in the Inn-Reach system. Robin will notify III of the change request and then post the list to the MCO website.

Online Problem Report Form

The current draft of the form was distributed (adapted from OhioLink.) Changes were made. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the form as it was amended.

After some discussion, it was noted that to find the owner of a record, a librarian will need to use the telnet client to access the MOBIUS catalog. An account was created for this purpose. The login information was given to committee members. The MCO helpdesk can assist persons with this information.

The distribution of this form will be via email using links from the MCO website.

Future Meetings

Due to budget cuts across the state and many institutions cutting travel budgets and reimbursements, our committee will meet 3 times a year (rather than 4.) the next meeting will be November 8 at 10am, then March 14 at 10am and possibly July 11 at 10am (the July meeting is tentative at this point.) These meetings will be on the MCO website calendar.

The meeting was adjourned.