

Minutes of the MOBIUS Catalog Design Advisory Group Meeting
July 11, 2014 Online

Members Present:

Carol Bennett	Archway	St. Louis Community College
Melissa Martin	Arthur	William Woods University
Denise Pakala	Bridges	Covenant Seminary
Melissa Hopkins	Galahad	Mineral Area College
Lora Farrell	Kansas City	Kansas City Art Institute
Stephen Wynn	Lance	Truman State University
Bryan Dunlap	MRRL	Missouri River Regional Library
Jim Dutton	Quest	University of Central Missouri
Renee Brumett	SGCL	Springfield-Greene County Library
Anna Zaidman	SLU	Saint Louis University (PIUS)
Hong Li	Swan	Missouri Southern State University
Sara Duff	Towers	Northwest Missouri State University
Patricia Logsdon	WashU	Washington University (Olin)
Renee Gorrell		Goldfarb School of Nursing
Megan Durham		MOBIUS

Members Absent:

Michael Davis	Camden County	Camden County Library
Kathleen Schweitzberger	Merlin	University of Missouri - Kansas City

Guests or Proxies Present:

Richard Pitaniello	Lance	Truman State University
Felicity Dykas	Merlin	University of Missouri
Steve Strohl		MOBIUS

1. Call to order and introductions

The meeting was called to order. New MCDAC representatives were introduced.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted with no additions.

3. Approval of minutes from April 11, 2014

The minutes were approved as written.

4. Information Items

None.

5. Unfinished Business

- Enhanced Matching product from Innovative

Steve Strohl (MCO) reported that MCO, together with Kathleen Schweitzberger (UMKC) and Stephen Wynn (Truman State University) have been working with Innovative to implement Enhanced Matchpoint (EM). The group had an on-site meeting at the MCO offices earlier this summer. One problem in particular came up: in its current iteration, EM is not RDA-ready.

The group has not met again, but Steve was able to report that Innovative will have an RDA-friendly update for EM this fall. Their recommendation is to implement the software now. MCO, Kathleen, and Stephen will need to meet again to discuss variables in the EM algorithm and finalize the implementation.

eMO records will be loaded after EM has been implemented.

MCO hopes to have EM running by the end of the summer.

MCO will post documentation on the website together with a summary.

- INN-Reach Best Practices Task Force

Stephen Wynn (Truman State University) reported that the Task Force met on June 3 at the MOBIUS Conference. Since the last MCDAC meeting, MCO created review files in each cluster's catalog of items not being sent to MOBIUS. Cataloging contacts in the clusters reported on the contents of these files and based on those reports the task force drafted guidelines for submitting records to the union catalog. The Task Force is currently working on a final draft of their report for submission to the Board next week.

- Authority Control for INN-Reach

Pat Logsdon (Washington University) reported the following responses to MCO's proposal to cease authority control in the union catalog: 6 respondents were in favor of keeping authority control and 1 respondent had no argument with dropping authority control. MCO has recently completed the annual load of authority records, and this seemed like an opportune time to revisit the question especially in context of discovery platforms. Given the lively discussion and the clear majority opinion of MCDAC, MCO plans no changes to authority control on INN-Reach at this time.

6. New Business

- SkyRiver implementation at Covenant Theological Seminary (Denise Pakala)

Denise Pakala reported on her experiences with implementing SkyRiver. In general, she reported that implementation was mostly easy. The main hurdle she encountered was OCLC's reluctance to drop Covenant's WorldCat cataloging subscription. Her initial experience with SkyRiver has been mostly positive. She is disappointed with the sparseness of documentation and the inability to edit the master record. Denise provided more detailed notes that are attached below.

Lora Farrell (Kansas City Art Institute) added that KCAI has been using SkyRiver since May. They have found that SkyRiver does not import a MARC 001 line but that Steve Strohl has helped develop a macro to insert an 001 in Sierra.

Steve Strohl echoed Denise's comments about lack of documentation and added that it may be possible to adjust load profiles to make a macro unnecessary. He also said that it is probably possible to edit the master record with a NACO login.

To a question whether SkyRiver clients maintained holdings in WorldCat, Denise responded that she is still setting Covenant's ICODE number to send holdings but she doesn't know whether the holdings are

actually being updated. In any case she is not inclined to pay exorbitant costs to load Covenant's holdings. Lora responded that KCAI's WorldCat holdings were current only up to May 2014.

To a question how SkyRiver's coverage compares to WorldCat's, Denise responded that she doesn't have enough experience to say, but that she expects coverage to be lower because fewer seminaries participate in SkyRiver. Lora responded that in her experience, SkyRiver lacks records for about 1 in 30 books, but that SkyRiver has a button to request missing records. In her experience, selecting this button usually delivers a record the next day.

- Schedule of meetings for the year
 - October 17, 2014
 - January 9, 2015
 - April 10, 2015
 - July 10, 2015

There were no objections to these dates, so they stand approved as read.

7. Adjourn meeting

Hong Li (Swan) moved for adjournment, Lora Farrell (KCAI) seconded.

8. Minutes submitted by Stephen Wynn.

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