

MOBIUS Catalog Design Advisory Committee
March 9, 2007
1:00 p.m.

Attending: Jim Dutton (MCO); Jean Rose (Archway); Jean Pace (Arthur); Denise Pakala (Bridges); Steve Wynn (Committee Chair, LANCE); Kathleen Schweitzberger, Diane Hunter (MERLIN); Margaret Smith, Anna Zaidman (SLU); Phyllis Holzenberg, Gwen Gilpin (SWAN); Andrew McGarrell (Towers); Pat Logsdon, Mark Scharff (WashU); Susan Beyer (WILO).

1. Minutes: The minutes from the meeting on Nov. 17, 2006 were approved as written.

2. MOBIUS update:

- Gary Harris has resigned as Assistant Director.
- The grant for the Agency software has been verbally approved. Formal, written approval should follow soon.
- A task force is working on preparing and sending out an RFP for authority control. The task force members are: Jim Dutton, Adrienne Detweiler, Kathleen Schweitzberger, Andrew McGarrell, Stephen Wynn. They are close to having a document ready to send out.
- As part of the Authority Control task force, Steve Wynn had sent out the following questions to the listserv:
 - i. No Match report: Which clusters are receiving this report and is it important for keeping up your authority records?
 - ii. Is it necessary to have series headings listed on separate quarterly headings reports from the name/uniform title reports?
 - iii. Local History file: Does any cluster think it is desirable to continue sending locally created authority records to the vendor to maintain a separate history file?
 - iv. There was considerable interest in keeping the No Match report, so this will be included in the RFP. There wasn't much interest generated by the other 2 questions.

3. Numeric Dutch subject headings: These numbers are examples of Dutch cartographic classification and link to Dutch subject headings in Dutch catalogs (for an example in OCLC see OCLC #57007982). They don't link properly in non-Dutch catalogs, however, and are confusing to patrons. It has been MOBIUS policy to not delete other subject schemes from bib records. Jim Dutton confirmed that we cannot suppress a heading based on the subfield 2, but only based on the indicators. So, we either have to suppress all second indicator 7's or none. Ideally, we would like to be able to suppress based on the subfield 2 'gtt', but that would require an enhancement. Two motions were proposed:

- **Motion 1.** Suppress all second indicator 7's and remove from the index. This was voted down.
- **Motion 2.** Allow deletion of subfield 2 gtt (Dutch numeric geographic headings).
 - i. Steve Wynn read from the MOBIUS SUBJECT CATALOGING POLICY (approved 9/8/00): "All properly formulated and properly

applied subject headings on cataloging records incoming from the national cataloging utilities will be retained by catalogers in MOBIUS member libraries." He suggested that the Dutch headings in question are not 'properly formulated' and therefore can be deleted by libraries without needing a change to the policy statement.

- ii. There was unanimous agreement with his assessment, so the motion was withdrawn, with the understanding that these headings can be deleted from bibliographic records with no change to the MOBIUS standards needed.

4. **Language limit:** Jim Dutton sent an Excel file to the MCDAC list on Feb. 12 containing statistics for language codes, so that we could intelligently discuss adding new languages to the language limit. Jim Dutton said that it might be possible to have two menus of languages, one with the most common, and one with all of the languages, but he hasn't seen any INN-Reach system that is doing this. So, for the moment we need to look at one file of languages.
 - A motion was made and carried unanimously to include in the language limit all languages that have more than 200 corresponding entries in the union catalog.
 - Jim Dutton asked for clarification about including 'multilingual' in the list. The committee agreed that this should be one of the 'languages' in the limit.
 - It was further decided that the languages should be listed in alphabetical order, with the exception of English, which should be listed first.
5. **Bad language codes:** Jim pointed out that there are a very large number of bad language codes in the cluster catalogs. Each cluster needs to have a designated individual who monitors new MARC language and country codes and updates the MARC tables for their cluster.
 - Each cluster needs to locate bad language codes and fix them. Jim Dutton suggested running a record statistics report. This will tell you if you have bad codes and what they are, but won't identify the records with those codes.
 - Kathleen Schweitzberger suggested a neat trick. Once you know what bad codes you have, you can add them to the MARC table, which will allow you to do a create list and fix them. Then you can go back to the MARC table and remove the bad codes.
6. **Agency software:** Once this is implemented, patrons will no longer have to first select their cluster, when requesting materials, but will have a list of the institutions to choose from. (Currently when making a MOBIUS request, patrons are presented with a box that asks, "With which cluster are you affiliated?" The newly-installed agency software would let us change the question to, "With which institution are you affiliated?" and the drop-down options to individual libraries). MCO expects to implement Agency software this summer.
7. **ENDnote settings:** When a patron requests that a record in MOBIUS be exported in ENDnote format, limited information is exported. MERLIN, however, has settings that export more complete information. MCDAC voted to change the settings in the Central Catalog to match MERLIN's.

- 8. WebpacPro in the Central Catalog:** Innovative told MCO a couple of months ago that this wasn't ready for use on INN-Reach. However, Link+ and MeL are now using it. The extra features are the relevancy ranking and the ability to display 50 records per page in the brief display. Spell check is an add-on that can be purchased. At this point, not all MOBIUS clusters have implemented WebpacPro, so some users would see different results than in the cluster catalogs. TOCs (from 970's), in particular, display quite differently.
- Since most clusters have not yet seen WebpacPro, and can't intelligently discuss its implications in the Central Catalog until they have seen it in their cluster catalogs, this was tabled to be discussed further at the next meeting.
- 9. MOSL Digital Archives:** This is a project of the State Library to digitize state government documents. To see an example, search for "Missouri sunshine law" in the Arthur catalog. These are all entered into the Arthur catalog, which, of course, makes them available in the Central Catalog. Any cluster may load them into their cluster catalog also, but there have been no procedures in place to do this.
- The MCO help desk already has a number of updating projects, where records are loaded (by them) into cluster catalogs. They are reluctant to add another such project.
 - The State Library is willing to do the following: when new records are created, they can send a message to the MOBIUS Users list with the OCLC numbers. Then any cluster that wishes can have a designated representative get the records from OCLC or get them from Arthur via Z39.50. Jim Dutton noted that the volume of records is very low, only one or two records per month.
 - Steve Wynn said that Lance has been adding the records on a case by case basis. If a list of records is sent to the MOBIUS Users list, then clusters could decide on their own to add all of them or to pick and choose.
 - Steve suggested that we might try both downloading records from OCLC and Z39.50, to see which is more efficient.
 - It was suggested this might be a collection development matter that should be referred to MCMAC. This was discussed and it was agreed that this is a cluster by cluster decision rather than a MOBIUS level question, so it doesn't need to be referred.
 - Item record: The item records for these need to be uniform. The following recommendations were passed: 1) The item should use the cluster's 'Share' location code; 2) The item should be suppressed from the Central Catalog.
 - Finally, a suggestion was made that Jim Dutton might find a place on the MCO website to list the OCLC records. Then, they would be available at anytime to every cluster. Jim will investigate this option further.

Next meeting: July 20th, in Columbia -- This will be our once yearly in person meeting. Some clusters will have new reps and it is suggested that both the old and new rep attend the meeting.