

BRIDGES CATALOGUING COMMITTEE

Fontbonne University Library

May 8, 2003

The Cataloguing Committee meeting was called to order by Denise Pakala, Committee Chair. Attending the meeting were:

Marty Knorr, Harris-Stowe State College
Linda Orzel, Harris-Stowe State College
Jean Rose, Logan College of Chiropractic
June Williams, Fontbonne University
Sister Jane Behlmann, Fontbonne University
Anne Calhoun, Missouri Baptist University
Elaine Trost, Missouri Baptist University
Lynn Heritage, Lindenwood University
Kathy Nystrom, Eden-Webster Libraries
Wendy Schlegel, Eden-Webster Libraries
Mary Ann Mercante, Maryville University

Institutional News

Webster University will be moving to their new library building in June. The library will remain open during the move, i.e. reference service will continue uninterrupted. Technical Services will probably close for the day of its move.

There will be a symbolic chain of people forming a "book chain" to pass books from the old library building to the new library building on Monday, June 30. Plans are to use LC class Z books. All are invited to participate.

Covenant Seminary is hosting a St. Louis Seminary Library Consortium Disaster workshop on Thursday May 22. The workshop will be conducted by Roxanna Herrick from Washington University. This is a no-charge workshop. Bridges libraries are welcome to attend.

IUG Annual Conference

Jean and Mary Ann reported on the Innovative Users Group Annual Conference. Jean passed out copies of the Release 2002 Phase 3 and Release 2003 planned Enhancements and reviewed some of the plans.

Mary Ann reported on the planned Electronic Resource Management module which will allow for two new kinds of records in III: a "Resource Record" and a "License Record." A Resource Record will be for a service such as JSTOR. The Resource Record would serve as an umbrella over bib records for the titles included in the library's JSTOR subscription. The bibs will be linked to the Resource Record. A bib can be linked to

more than one Resource Record if the title appears in more than one of the library's electronic services.

The License Record will be attached to the Resource Record. The License Record holds information about the agreement between the library and the electronic service, including expiration date. It is planned that a tickler could be set up on the expiration date information so that an email can be triggered at a certain period of time prior to the expiration date to remind the appropriate person that a renewal decision is imminent. The Electronic Resource Management module is currently in a beta test with several III libraries.

III is planning to implement the capability of using MARC Holdings records for non-serial materials. A Holdings Record could be created for multi-copy and/or multi-volume titles. Item records would continue to be created as well since they are needed for Circ purposes. With the existence of a Holdings Record, the WebPac will be able to display a Summary Holdings statement rather than the long list of Item Records which are a display problem on large multicopy/multivolume sets.

A presentation by OCLC and III staff discussed the new OCLC Connexion Service and how it interfaces with III. When exporting records from the current online Connexion service to III, the pop-up window which provides valuable information about the export (including bib and item # from III) does not appear. OCLC will release a client-version of Connexion in June. The client-version will have the pop-up box information.

Mary Ann reported on an idea from a Create List session on using the Create List function to prepare a listing of titles in a specific subject area which can be distributed to faculty as a list to review for weeding purposes. The list includes the # of checkouts and the last checkout date. Using the list eliminates the problems involved with scheduling faculty to come to the library and with materials on the subject being located in a variety of collections within the library or being checked out.

Annual Conference - June 4

Mary Ann reminded the Committee that the 4th Annual MOBIUS Users Conference will be held in Jefferson City at the Ramada Inn on June 4. There will be a presentation on the Automated Authority Control Processing product by two catalogers from UMKC describing their experiences during the MERLIN test. A reception will be held on the evening of June 3 at the Missouri State Library.

Committee Business

Denise Pakala was re-elected Committee Chair, Mary Ann Mercante was re-elected Secretary, and Marty Knorr was re-elected Baker of Heavenly Desserts.

Synonyms List

The Committee reconfirmed the list of Synonyms and the Policy on Alternative Spellings previously discussed via email.

WWWOption

The Committee discussed the adding of dash-dashes to the subject heading displays on Search Results screens in Bridges. This decision has been implemented in the MOBIUS Union Catalog. When the dash-dashes are included in the display, terms in rotated headings appear in their LCSH or MESH order rather than appearing in the rotated order (though they still properly respond to the search for the rotated term) The inclusion of the dash-dashes can also cause some strange sorting, such as can be seen when searching Mexico as a subject heading. After discussion, the Committee concluded that the benefits of this change outweigh the problems and decided to recommend this change to the Site Coordinators. Denise will forward this request to the Chair of the Site Coordinators committee.

MILCat vs GUICAT

The Committee discussed experiences in using MILCat and pros/cons of MILCat vs GUICAT.

Kathy reported that Eden-Webster is encouraging their staff to try MILCat.

Denise finds that doing create lists in MILCat uses too much paper as compared with GUICAT. Jean finds that also, but gets around it by emailing the results of Create Lists to herself, thus printing from another software package.

Mary Ann reported that she has tried MILCat for a few things, but the need to rebuild all the GUICAT templates in TELNET, coupled with the current inability of TELNET templates to save variable field text is a limiting factor. These problems may be fixed by the forthcoming Millenium Template Maintenance enhancements

The use of ports was also seen as a limiting factor, since MILCat uses the ports allocated to specific institutions while GUICat does not. (The latest theory on just what ports GUICAT does use is that GUICAT uses the ports on Bridges which are unassigned to any specific institution but which are there for MCO usages)

During the subsequent discussion on editing records, it was noticed that some of the Fixed Field red error messages that appear when expanding the 008 field in GuiCat do not appear in the 008 display in MILCat.

Editing Records

Denise raised the question of how we can be sure that a record is being reindexed when we edit it to add fields. She has noticed that sometimes records are not being reindexed. Others have noticed the same thing on occasion. Changing the CAT DATE can force a reindex, but this doesn't seem a desirable technique to use on a regular basis. In discussion, it was pointed out that if you are adding a tag which usually causes a prompt for a Field Group Tag and you don't get the prompt, the record probably isn't being reindexed. Kathy pointed out that in MILCat you are not prompted for Field Group tags, so that "clue" wouldn't work in MILCat. There was some thought that the technique used to insert the new field might play a role in whether the field triggered reindexing. Denise will ask MCO for clarification on what triggers reindexing of records.

Retention Notes in Serials Records

The Committee discussed Kathy's email regarding what wording to use in check-in record notes that display in the WebPAC for retention policies for serials. The Bridges Serials Committee will discuss this issue more fully at their May 20 meeting. The Cataloguing Committee agreed that the distinctions of "current" and "latest" probably were meaningless to patrons. Marty spoke in favor of including specific location information in the retention notes. Denise will check the OCLC Union List Manual to see if there are definitions or recommended uses of terms.

Electronic ISSN's

NLM is now including ISSN's for electronic versions of serials in their MARC records. Mary Ann showed an example of the New England Journal of Medicine in the MEDLINE database. Maryville is planning a summer project to add the electronic ISSNs to bib records for titles where the library has electronic access. When adding the electronic ISSN to a print version bib record with an 856 for the electronic version, Maryville will add a second 022 tag. (The tag is repeatable in the MARC formats) Following the precedent in monographs with multiple 020 tags, Maryville proposes to add (electronic) following the ISSN text. The Committee agreed that this appeared to be a logical approach.

Duplicate Resolution

The Committee decided that at this time, we would not pursue a proactive duplicate resolution project, but would continue our current practice of reporting dups to the Committee's listserv as we come across them in our work.

Local Notes With Old Accession Numbers

Currently Kenrick-Glennon has stated that it is okay for other libraries to remove bib 590 notes containing their accession numbers. June stated that it was okay to remove Fontbonne accession #s in 590 note for books, but that Fontbonne accession #s in records for nonprint titles be retained.

Bible Headings

Denise distributed a handout on Bible headings, containing examples of structuring subject headings and uniform titles for Bible headings. She suggested that if anyone else has experience with a particular type of heading and would like to prepare a similar handout to share, we could all benefit.

Rare Books

The Committee recommends that for Rare Books cataloging, Bridges catalogers use the 500 tag with subfield 5 rather than the 590 tag.

Denise will pursue the idea of a Rare Books Cataloging meeting. It was suggested that we might want to invite catalogers from St. Louis area libraries in other clusters.

Other Topics

Denise reported a recent discussion on the American Theological Library Association Technical Services List regarding LC's policy on dates in call #s for conference proceedings. There has been inconsistency of late in LC records as to whether LC is using the year of publication or the year the conference was held. LC has responded to the inquiry, stating that it is still correct practice to use the year the conference was held as the date in the call # for conference proceedings.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Bridges Cataloguing Committee will be held at Covenant Theological Seminary on Thursday, July 24th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

