

MOBIUS COORDINATORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting, September 6, 2002

Present: Per Almquist (Bridges), Eileen Condon (Bridges Alternate), Cathye Dierberg (Archway), Judy Fox (WashU), David Glick (Galahad), Kenette Harder (Wilo), Resa Kerns (Merlin), Les Lynam (Quest), Corky McCormack (Swan), Mary Sims (Lance), Jason Stirnaman (Arthur), Terry Weaver (Towers), Robin Kespohl (MCO), Mark Wahrenbrock (MCO)

Robin opened the meeting at 10:05 a.m. and announced that she would be the MCO liaison to the committee. Judy Fox volunteered to take the minutes for the first meeting. Robin reviewed the charge to the committee which can be found on the website at: <http://mco.mobius.missouri.edu/filemanager/fileview/557/> She emphasized the responsibility committee members have for communicating with members of their cluster.

Robin called the meeting for the committee to discuss some new functionality in INNOPAC. Committee members need to assess whether the new features are desirable and whether a recommendation to purchase the new products should be made to the Executive Committee.

After introductions, Robin asked for nominations for the Chair. Judy Fox nominated Cathye Dierberg and Cathye Dierberg nominated Les Lynam. Cathye Dierberg withdrew her candidacy. Per Almquist moved to accept Les Lynam as Chair by acclamation and David Glick seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Robin explained that Gary was unable to attend the meeting to explain the new features due to the death of his mother. She referred committee members to the Advanced Planning Bulletin email sent to Gary and George. This is a new communication method III will be using to give consortia early notification of major changes.

The major changes coming in Release 2002, Phase 2 include the following:

- A new Java Runtime Environment (JRE 1.3.1) will need to be loaded on every PC with a Millennium client.
- A new editor will replace the existing editor in Millennium modules. All staff will need to use the new editor immediately. A tutorial will be available on CSDirect. The editor will be customizable with a guided version for novice users and a streamlined version for expert users.

Mark and Pat will try to give introductions to the new release in all the regions. These are not scheduled yet because the release date is not set. MCO will also wait several months after the initial availability of Phase 2 to install it so that the initial bugs can be worked out. Installation is not likely to occur before January, 2003.

Robin reviewed some III products which are available to clusters if they are interested. These have not been pushed in the past because of the volume of work needed to bring up all the clusters. The first product she mentioned was My Millennium. This has been set up on a test port on the Archway, Bridges, and Merlin machines. It allows patrons to modify their PIN and personal information (if allowed by the library). Patrons can also save preferred searches and receive email notifications when new materials matching their searches are added to the catalog. Another feature allows staff to view the full bibliographic and item records in the web OPAC interface. One problem with My Millennium is that patrons must logout when they are finished or other patrons can view or edit their record. Each cluster should decide if they want to test or implement My Millennium and notify MCO. Additional information on My Millennium is available on the CSDirect FAQ page at http://csdirect.iii.com/faq/my_millennium.shtml. If libraries are interested in looking at My Millennium on one of the clusters where it is set up, they should contact Robin for a password.

The second product Robin introduced was Millennium Access Plus (MAP). This is actually 3 products which can be purchased separately or as a package.

- **WebBridge** enables libraries to link together information resources such as book reviews, book jacket images, full-text journal articles, or e-books.
- **MetaFind** offers a one-stop search across the library's defined information resources such as full-text databases, Web sites, library catalogs, local digital collections, etc.
- **Web Access Management (WAM)** manages authentication to control remote access to information resources. WAM or some other proxy service is required for the other 2 products. MCO will verify whether WAM is the only authentication service which can be used.

There is a presentation from IUG10 available on CSDirect. There is also a tutorial and FAQ on WAM. Robin is trying to get a price quote from III on the MAP product. Committee members need to talk to their clusters to see if this product is something that should be recommended. A decision needs to be made by January to get the request into the 2004 state budget request.

SSL which encrypts circulation transactions in a web environment was part of Release 2002, Phase 1. The III product requires libraries to acquire an SSL certificate from a third party. These certificates were ordered for all the machines but the University of Missouri lawyers wouldn't sign the contract because of a "hold harmless" clause. Ralph Caruso, Vice President of Information systems, is going to take the issue up with the University lawyers and explain why SSL needs to be implemented. Because the machines are on the University of Missouri campus, clusters don't have the option of buying the certificates on their own.

Scoping for course reserves is another product which is now available from III. MCO will purchase this for each machine at a cost of approximately \$1,500 per machine. Clusters should let MCO know if they want to create a special suppression code for course reserve records.

Robin announced two new services available from MCO. The first is a URL checker for verifying URLs in the INNOPAC catalogs using free software available from the University of Denver. It will not work for IP addresses which are validated (e.g. JSTOR). MCO will run the reports quarterly. Information is also available if libraries want to run the software themselves so they can check IP validated addresses. Clusters interested in this service should contact the MCO Helpdesk.

The second service is batch updating of local data records. OCLC is offering this service free to libraries until June, 2003. MCO will pull the appropriate records from the catalogs if libraries are interested in using this method to update the Missouri Union List which is maintained in the OCLC system. Each cluster must decide which field in the check-in record should be used for pulling records. SCODE1, SCODE3, AND SCODE4 are the most likely fields. If these have all been defined, a new variable length field called LDR can be added. Libraries interested in this service should let MCO know by December 1. More information is available at <http://oclc.org/oclc/specs/ldrusr.htm>

Next Meeting:

January, 10, 2003 with snow date of January 14, 2003

Primary agenda topic: MAP

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