Coordinator's Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2013

The meeting began at 10:10 am with the following members present: Eric Deatherage, Crowder; Robin Wolven, Crowder; Donna Bacon, MOBIUS; Steve Strohl, MOBIUS; Lindsey Taggart, FIPP; Mark Arnold, MSU; Phill Johnson, Cottey; David Adams, MSU; Coleen Rose, SBU; Holli Henslee, Drury; Victoria Johnson, Drury; Corky McCormack, OTC; Hong Li, MSSU; Wendy McGrane, MSSU; Torsten Rothman, BBC; Dale Jensen, EU; Rick Oliver, EU; Jon Jones, BBC; and Brad Scott, FIPP.

Introductions:

To begin the meeting, everyone introduced themselves.

Old Business:

There was no old business to be discussed.

New Business:

Sierra:

Several people around the room said that the Sierra client has been working very well after the server migration, but the catalog is running much slower, specifically the screen painting is taking longer. Donna e-mailed Justin at MOBIUS with this during the meeting and found out that a setting that had been previously turned off to help with this issue had been turned on, and Justin turned it off again to resolve this issue.

Create lists does seem to be different. Old lists do not have the same results they had in Millennium previously. The create lists database is different and therefore the way we were searching in Millennium is different in Sierra. Corky brought up that the Help Desk has promised a list of differences between Millennium create lists and Sierra create lists, but the list has not been sent out yet. When creating a new create list from scratch, the results are very fast, but when running a previous search, several people affirmed that it takes a long time. Saved queries are what take a long time to find. Once the previous list is pulled up, the actual searching is fast. Several institutions are seeing this same problem. Donna suggested sending MOBIUS some examples of previous searches to them, so they could test this and work towards solving the issue.

Some institutions are still having slow login times. The institutions that have reloaded the Sierra platform have seen a significant speed up for logging in.

Limiting feature on Union Catalog:

Eric brought up that the limiting feature on the union catalog did not seem to be limiting correctly. When he tried to limit to books, eBook results were still being displayed. Steve with MOBIUS will be checking on this through Innovative. There is a ticket open with MOBIUS.

MAT Type and icon project:

This topic has been discussed previously. Some institutions have already started working on this project, while others are more reluctant about getting started too soon. This was reviewed at the catalogers meeting to help answer the questions of those who were more reluctant to start. Corky

brought up that he is worried about starting this because he wasn't sure about the reliability of create lists. Torsten suggested running a smaller list of just his institutions records to change the MAT types. He has had to use rapid updates instead of global updates. The MAT types should match what the BIB record says. If the record says DVD, the MAT type should match. Torsten suggested cataloger's can bounce any questions back to the catalogers list. David suggested the smaller institutions can wait a little bit for the larger institutions to work on this project, so most of the records will be done.

Blocking AV Borrowing/Lending:

Each institution will need to decide if they are lending/borrowing AV. MSU won't be lending and they wish to block students from borrowing as well. Torsten brought up the point that the I types determine what items will go out, and was wondering if those I types will need to be changed. MSSU has decided to loan. They are switching their loan rules to match MOBIUS because their previous loan rules were not as liberal as MOBIUS's. They have decided to participate because other clusters have been lending for years and they wanted to broaden what students have access to. MSSU is starting small by lending out certain collections only. For example, if a book has a DVD with it, they will loan out that DVD. Special shipment will need to be considered when shipping the AV materials. MAAC group has come out with a list of suggestions on shipping. The AV lending policy and procedures is on the MOBIUS website. It considers packing issues on the policy and procedures. MSSU is the only institution that has considered lending/borrowing at this point. Each institution needs to notify MOBIUS individually if they are or are not lending/borrowing.

eMO records load questions and concern:

The eMO records have been loaded into the SWAN catalog. Several institution expressed concerns over dropping that many records into the catalog without having a more accessible limiting feature. David brought up a few questions concerning the net library eBooks duplicating the eMO eBooks. MOBIUS is loading the records by just dropping them into the catalog instead of matching them and attaching them to records which will cause duplicates. This will cause some cleanup for institutions that have net library and eBrary. Torsten says he sees no reason to clean up the duplicate records because they are technically not owned by the institution and are centrally maintained. The SWAN cluster does need to decide if the authority records for the eBooks need to be loaded as well. It was decided to leave this up to the Cataloger's to decide. Crowder and OTC expressed concerns about not having a proxy server and how this will affect the students' ability to access the eBooks from the catalog. MOBIUS has purchased a proxy server to allow for one link on the record for those who have purchased the eBooks. MOBIUS is working on testing this server first before they offer it to the clusters. Clusters can decide if they want to use the proxy server or not. It will require the same login as requesting a book which could cause some confusion for students who are used to logging into the EBSCOhost platform or who use a proxy login. The proxy server from MOBIUS will not cost institutions to use. MOBIUS will have an update about the proxy server soon.

MOBIUS board has discussed the issue of whether or not other institutions should include their eBooks on the Union Catalog even when no other institutions can access them. Some students go directly to the Union Catalog when searching for books. MOBIUS is asking and trying to figure out what

exactly the union catalog should be. Should it list everything? Or should it only list when other institutions have access to? If students are going straight to the union catalog, then they may be missing materials their institution has if they aren't listed there. MOBIUS board will continue to look at this issue.

Selection process for cycling MOBIUS Advisory Group positions

The MOBIUS advisory group positions have been filled by the same people almost every year. Some people want a break from serving every year. The question was brought up if we need to develop a plan to cycle through the committee members? That will give others the chance to serve. The trouble is it is hard to get people to serve on these groups. It is hard for the smaller institutions to volunteer with limited staff time and staff. Someone suggested possibly making it where one person would serve 2 years and then take a year off before serving again. Donna brought up that the advisory groups are being reviewed as a whole to try to figure out if they are working. It is not just a problem in SWAN to get people to volunteer, but through MOBIUS as a whole. The board is talking about the structure, and it may come up at the director's meeting. It was decided to revisit this topic at the next meeting.

Questions/Other:

Donna reminded everyone to please respond to the e-mail concerning the eBooks.

Other clusters are also moving their servers to the California server since the client improved so much with that switch.

MOBIUS is working with new libraries including libraries in Kansas, Missouri, and Tulsa, OK.

MOBIUS is also looking at a different pricing option from Innovative. The director's retreat will explore this more.

Dennis with Innovative will be meeting with individual clusters and institutions to show a demo of SkyRiver. Donna will send an e-mail about the times.

Brad Scott, the new Director at FIPP, introduced himself and his staff to the group. He updated the group on what was going on at FIPP.

CBC records are loaded in SWAN, but are currently suppressed. Evangel records will be loaded in soon and will be loaded in suppressed. AGTS can still loan. Torsten reminded everyone that if they are attaching a record to a BIB that has been suppressed, to be sure to unsuppress so the bib will be viewable.

Next Meeting: *The next meeting will be at MSU on February 7th at 10:00 am.*