

Arthur Technical Group Meeting
November 15, 2002

The Arthur Technical group met following the coordinators meeting. Those in attendance were: Georgia Baskett, Corinne Caputo, Janet Caruthers, Inas El-Sayed, Tom Schultz, Jason Stirnaman, Susan Morrisroe and Vandy Evermon.

Inez brought up the problem of different status messages showing in the Arthur catalog and the Mobius catalog. Status s shows waiting to be shelved in Arthur, but missing in Mobius. It was decided to use f instead of s and change the message to "new items". Inez will check with Mobius to see if this solution will work and let the group know.

Another issue is the problem of OCLC records downloaded without ending punctuation. This occurs when using the 949 field. If the record is downloaded without the 949, the ending punctuation remains. The 856 field appears with an added period at the end. Inez brought up the problem with country codes that are 4 characters and III only allows for 3 characters. She will ask Mobius about this.

The 590 notes were discussed. The format should display as the holding library's initials followed by a colon and then the note. If another library finds notes in the 500's that should be in the 590's and it is clear to whom they belong, they can correct the note or notify the other library.

The authority record load will be March 2003. Automated authority control is being tested by Washington University. It automatically changes old subject headings when a record is loaded.

There is an enhancement to the 956 that will allow restricted access to a url. This would allow a url to display in Arthur, but not Mobius.

Redesign of the Mobius webpage will most likely be a lengthy process. Some suggestions are a quick search box, frequently asked questions, change of font size and color.

Vandy asked everyone about the email from Colleen Smith who is resolving duplicate records for Mobius. Everyone has received the email and will notify Colleen about their records.

Vandy provided handouts of some of the documents that other clusters are putting on their web pages. Some documents we would like to post are withdrawal procedures, standards for merging bibliographic records, and standards for adding paperbacks. Vandy will email standards for everyone to make changes. The final standards will be posted on the web page.

The next meeting will be January 24 at 9 am for the coordinators. The technical group will meet following that if there is a need.

