MOBIUS Access Advisory Committee Report to MOBIUS Council
September 16, 2002

The last meeting of the MAAC was July 23, 2002. The Committee discussed the following issues.

1. Black Bags
   The results of the 2002 black bag inventory are as follows.

2002 Bag inventory 5/22/02	
# of Bags purchased	4,300
# of Delivery Stops	70
# of Bags at Delivery Stops	3,552
# of new bags in inventory	148
# of damaged bags in inventory	57
# of bags counted	3,757
# of bags uncounted	543

   MAAC will conduct an annual black bag inventory. The procedure duplicate the one used this year. The inventory will be conducted on the second Monday of August.

   MAAC urges ILL librarians to be cautious about tightening black bag ties too much. Sometimes the receiving library has difficulty opening the bags. A new procedure has been posted on the MAAC webpage which might alleviate the problem. Nail clippers or a small wire cutter will cut through an over-tightened tie if necessary.

2. Updates and Changes to MOBIUS Circulation Policy
   MCO changed status code labels so they are now consistent across clusters. Only (-) Available should be the only code for "available" books.

   MAAC added to the reconciliation policy/procedure the sentence "No refunds will be given after the annual lost book reconciliation."

3. Borrowing privileges for retired faculty and staff
   MAAC is discussing the following draft policy.

   Each institution determines who in their patron database will receive MOBIUS faculty, staff or student status. Each institution accepts responsibility for material borrowed by any person *it has authorized* to borrow through the MOBIUS system.

4. MOBIUS Reports
   MAAC urges institutions to check MOBIUS reports on the web page. It is important to address the problems presented in these reports. The reports produced locally at each library include Paged Too Long, Requested Too Long, In Transit Too Long, and Received Too Long. Procedures for accessing and processing those reports are available on the MAAC web page.

5. Visiting Patron IDs
   MAAC developed the draft following policy on Ids.

   An institutional photo I.D. or an institutional I.D., plus a government issued photo I.D. (e.g., driver's license, state I.D., passport, etc.) will be required to check out materials as a Visiting Patron.

6. Traditional Interlibrary Loan Issues
   The MOBIUS Interlibrary Lending Policy provides that MAAC review statistics annually in the fourth quarter. Even though it isn't the fourth quarter yet, MAAC discussed the plight of net lenders identified as those libraries lending at least 100% more non-returnables than they borrow. MAAC requested that MOBIUS members use the following institutions as lenders of last resort only for non-returnables.

   Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine
   University of Missouri-Columbia
   Logan College of Chiropractic
   SLU Law
   St. Louis Community College

   MAAC plans to review statistics again to see what impact this will have.