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LACUNY Cataloging Roundtable
Friday, April 1, 2005

Present: Michael Borries (Central), Men-Sze Butt (GC), Janey Chao (BB), Belinda Chiang (QC), Jung Cho (QB), Marsha Clark (Central), Francine Egger-Sider (LG), Laurie Franklin (CC), Kachuen Gee (LE), Ronnie Gomez (QC), Dolores Grande (JJ), Tim Hasin (SI), Neil Jacobowitz (GC), Marlene Kandel (JJ), Walter Scott (BX), Wendy Tan (HC), Lisa Tappeiner (HO), Robert Thompson (CUNY Law), Danesh Yazdani (ME), Pat Young (Central), Taian Zhao (BM)

IBN-13: Marsha Clark gave an overview of the upcoming problem of ISBN numbers changing from 10-digits to 13-digits as of January 1, 2007, in order to comply with the rest of the world. Since January 1, 2005, some records will have both, the old ISBN as well as the new one. However, OCLC, because of their other present hardware and software problems involving Connexion and Oracle, is temporarily putting the new 13-digit ISBN in an 024 field with the first delimiter 3. This is technically a field for music numbers, but with the delimiter. 2. Marsha asked all catalogers to, once a record is exported from OCLC, check for new 13-digits ISBN numbers and if there is one, put it back in a 020 field, once the record is in Aleph. OCLC will eventually comply and make global changes but there is no date at this point. Marsha felt that in order to be able to search on ISBN's, whether old or new, it would behoove us all to make sure all the ISBN's in Aleph are in the correct field, 020. If the OCLC record you are exporting will be overlaid by a Coutts record, you don't have to make that change since Coutts is able to deal with these new numbers.

If you want to see a record in the Library of Congress Resource File with 13-digit ISBN's, search under either of these two titles: "Leon and the champion chip" or "All in just one cookie."

Authorities: Marsha also gave a brief review of authority work in Aleph. She wanted to let everyone know that "European Union" is now also an issuing body, not just a subject heading.

She used the example of the authority record for LaGuardia Community College which used to be spelled in two words (La Guardia) and is really in one word to illustrate how to change authority records in Aleph. She distributed a handout on "Using Authority Records."

Aleph-Release 16: Pat Young explained again the major changes in release 16 of Aleph: the items module will be part of cataloging, acquisitions and serials have been merged. The GUI OPAC will be part of each module, no longer a separate module. There will be a tutorial available that will be distributed to all campuses and can be loaded on any desktop. Training will be available centrally and probably in various localized areas at the beginning of the summer. At this moment, production is slated for August 1, 2005.

TCU/XCU: These two databases as we have known them no longer exist. Once a new training database is created, parallel indexing will be available, meaning it can be done in the background without downtime.

New Titles List: The committee reviewed setting up "Alerts" in the Web Opac so that faculty/patrons could be notified of new titles added to the database in their field of interest, as well as the ability to filter a Web Opac search for recently added titles.

Item Status 22: Libraries need to notify Pat if they would like an item processing status of ON (online) or EB (eBook) added to items with a status of 22 (web resource).

URL Checker: Release 16 includes an automatic URL checker program, much to everyone's delight.

Marcive: Duplicate Marcive records have been loaded in error. If you find any, please use the clean-up CUNY-wide logon and fix them!

Coutts: Marsha Clark announced that a Coutts oversight committee will be formed shortly in order to evaluate the services Coutts provide to CUNY.

Connexion: The latest version is 1.3, so please upgrade to that. Marsha Clark provided a handout with URLs for support and documentation.

Taskforce on Intracampus Borrowing: Pat Young wanted to let everyone know that such a committee has been formed and has met once. The issue to be considered is as follows: should the CUNY union catalog have only one bib record with all items attached to it or should it have 18 bib records and 18 admin (cun50)

libraries to enable intracampus borrowing.
Respectfully submitted,
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