

SCP Advisory Committee
Conference Call
December 15, 2008
3:00-4:30 pm.

Present: J. Riemer, J. Dooley (chair), S. Gardner (recorder), L. Hsiung, H. Tomren, V. Bross, L. Rowlison, E. McCracken, B. Culbertson, A. Tarango

1. Announcements – none.

2. Next-Generation Melvyl report – John shared his report with the group and discussed the UL announcement that the pilot is moving into pre-production, with full production anticipated by the end of 2009.

Other issues with RLF holdings symbols: ZAS will be the symbol for the SRLF, and ZAP for the NRLF. UCLA and UCB will do reclamation for the holdings at the respective RLFs. Shared print collections do not get a different symbol. A campus that is contributing its last copy to an RLF will retain its campus symbol and also have the RLF symbol.

There are problems with the RLF display in individual campus views. The display will show all RLF materials, not just what a campus sent. Currently Next-Gen Melvyl can only point to one ILS view within a campus view. Z39.50 queries pull in all campus holdings, not just RLF.

There was a discussion on using Local Holdings Records (LHRs) to help the system route to the correct ILS, but at this time WorldCat cannot process large daily LHR batch updates and campuses must send LHRs for all holdings on a bib record, not just the LHR that has been updated.

How Next-Gen Melvyl will handle on-order and in-process records remains unknown, the Implementation Team is asking the Acquisitions Common Interest Group for input. Campuses must decide which affiliate libraries to include in each campus view. This will involve thinking about which symbol to use and which ILS has the local information. Finally, HOPS is to prioritize record sets from vendors where permission is still needed.

3. Next-Generation Technical Services – Jim discussed a SOPAG proposal to further identify BSTF recommendations to implement across campuses. There will be an executive team composed of ULs, and something like an implementation team as well. The names and charges will be announced in January.

4. CalDocs/GILS call – Becky discussed a recent conference call with GILS to discuss error records from incoming SCP CalDocs under the new automated harvesting system. UCLA found a 35% error rate (including duplicate records), with 10% classified as fatal errors (broken link, link to wrong resource, etc.). The group also discussed Holly Tomren's analysis. Certain groups are problematic, such as Google records that claim to offer full-text but do not. UCSD detailed their procedures for selecting original title to catalog for CalDocs. Even with the problematic records, GILS still wants to get records from SCP.

Archiving is also a concern, and there was discussion on moving from ContentDM to WAS (Web Archiving Service). There needs to be user assessment staff working with catalogers. A crawl of California state websites using WAS is planned, although it should be avoided in January with the inauguration causing a massive crawl of federal websites. There is also the possibility from Patricia Cruse to automatically create MARC records from harvested CalDoc website.

There was a consensus that duplicate records are less of a problem than broken, unstable links. SCP will discuss with CAMCIG ways to further refine its search/harvest algorithm and look for ways to eliminate undesirable record groups, like the aforementioned Google records. Holly agreed to share a list of broken links found with the SCP-AC listserv. Holly will also use her analysis to look for patterns that might help eliminate errors.

5. CalDoc monographs going to separate records – The discussion continued in light of GPO's decision to catalog monographs separately. SCP catalogs all monographs separately except for federal and state documents, so after GPO's policy change, CalDocs would be the only exception. If CalDoc monos are issued separately, it would make all the SCP loads consistent: separate records for monos, single records for serials.

Going to separate records for CalDoc monos could also address the duplicate record problem with incoming SCP CalDocs. However, California State Library still uses the single record approach for monos, so they might not get harvested if SCP were only looking for electronic records in OCLC.

This would also mean more original cataloging for the campuses and SCP, but it could have the effect of improving the overall quality of CalDocs harvesting.

Adolfo clarified that electronic records resulting from cloning/modification of print records are still considered electronic records.

The issue will be discussed with CAMCIG, although nearly all members of SCP approved of the change for CalDoc monos going separate.

6. Ebrary survey – Jim asked which campuses have ebrary. If enough have subscriptions, SCP could possibly catalog and distribute.

7. Next meeting – Jim will send out potential dates in January, since the regularly scheduled meeting falls on Martin Luther King Jr. Day.