

## **DALNET CIRCULATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **MEETING JUNE 5, 1998 9:30 AM PURDY LIBRARY**

**PRESENT:** J. Emahiser, Beaumont Hospital; B. Nelson, UDM; B. Reppert, UDM; L. Stewart, OU; C. Sims, WCCC; S. Taravella, OCC; J. Miller, MCC; B. Reisterer, Walsh; T. Potvin, DPL; A. Evans, WSU; Gerry Bosler, MCC.

1. The Committee expresses its thanks to Louann Stewart for providing the goodies for this meeting and wishes her well as Oakland University migrates on to Endeavor Voyager. This will be Louann's last meeting with this committee.

2. NOTIS LMS 6.4.1.1 Project Briefing and update:

The 6.4.1.1 Project Briefing document was distributed to those at the meeting and the circulation implications were highlighted:

Fines will now display if an item is checked in other than at its home service unit.

Many bug fixes to circulation programs

Be aware that some pseudo patron records are displaying unwanted information

Behind the scenes fixes should make the system work more efficiently

All application software is now claimed to be Year 2000 compliant

If searching by OCLC number you must include the "ocm" prefix.

This is the last scheduled upgrade to the NOTIS LMS software. Still scheduled in an upgrade to the operating system on the NOTIS computer which is scheduled for late 1998.

3. WebLuis was restored on Monday 1 June 1998. This will allow remote searching of DCAT via the web. Any standard web browser such as Netscape or Internet Explorer can be used.

4. **BILLS:**

Ana Fidler is working on batch forgiveness of overdue fines according to the wishes of various libraries. Each library has given DALNET the time frames they wished to use.

Bills for April are in process.

Among other things, Dody Fox is working on fine tuning the printing of bills on the mailers so that all of the information prints as desired. There was a suggestion that the wording of the legend for the total be changed from TOTAL AMOUNT OWED to TOTAL AMOUNT FOR THIS INVOICE. Committee members were concerned because patrons were getting several mailers and were interpreting "total amount owed" as being the entire amount owed, not just a total for that piece of paper.

5. The Patron Record Recommendations and the Social Security Number addendum were approved for forwarding to Project Managers. No one likes the use of the Social Security number but there is no other common number unique to each patron on which

DALNET can match. This document will need to be revised after Horizon is implemented to deal with the differences in the Horizon patron record.

6. The group worked to compile lists of Itypes and Btypes. Itypes are types of items that could, effectively, have different circulation policies. Btypes are types of borrowers.

A. Evans compiled lists of each category as currently manifested in NOTIS for consideration and the committee added and subtracted from the lists to develop the codes (lists attached). Horizon codes are 7 characters in length. The group recommended that the first two characters be a code for the institution, then the code as developed, and any remaining characters could be used by each library as needed. Lost and missing are not types of borrowers but rather conditions applied to items. T. Potvin asked how items charged to lost or missing before NOTIS 6.3 would transfer forward and would the link to the borrower be carried forward.

7. Mr. Brad Burningham has been hired as Steven Vest's replacement. Mr. Burningham starts work on 8 June 1998. We will welcome Brad and say farewell to Steven at the next meeting.

8. Next meeting: Thursday, 9 July 1998, at WSU. The committee scheduled the meeting on Thursday rather than Friday as many were not working Fridays during the summer.

Summary notes by,

Anaclare Evans and Joan Emahiser

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