

Agenda

DALNET Circulation Standards Committee Meeting

March 27, 2001, 9:30 am, P/K Conference Room, WSU

1. Announcements
2. Patron Utility for Reciprocal Borrowing – update on epix proposal
3. HUG – Module Enhancement Results
4. LSTA grant.
5. Training needs
6. iPAC update.
7. Horizon 6.0 update
8. Problems and Concerns
9. Next Meeting

DALNET Circulation Standards Committee Minutes

Meeting: Mar. 27, 2001, Purdy/Kresge Library Conference Room, WSU, 9:30-12:00.

Present: Bradd Burningham (WS), Ruth Ewald (MCC), Janice Miller (MCC), Betty Nelson (UDM), Joyce Zurel (OCC), Anaclare Evans (DALNET), Joanie Emahiser (WBH), Carol Sims (WCCCD).

Announcements

Michael Piper has commenced his new job as Director of DALNET. The DALNET staff are relocating to Purdy/Kresge Library from their current space in Science and Engineering. This is part of a larger initiative to more clearly separate DALNET staff from Wayne Technical Services staff. Wayne is hiring a new systems librarian who will look after Horizon related training and systems at Wayne. There are likely to be some large holes in DALNET staffing over the summer. Nothing new has developed on the hire of a new Webmaster.

Epix held an "update session" on Mar. 23 at UDM. Bill Easton and Ty Brown announced epix's intention to try to rebuild trust between epix and DALNET, and to work towards becoming true development partners.

Patron Utility for Reciprocal Borrowing – epix proposal

Anaclare pointed out that DALNET is committed to using RSS or URSA as a key component in reciprocal borrowing. We have not heard anything back from epix regarding its latest proposal.

HUG Module Enhancements Results

Bradd distributed the voting results from the Enhancements Requests process. He noted that there has been a great deal of discussion among user group members regarding how few enhancements to the reserves module received many votes, despite the fact that this module is viewed as the worst one by many people. There are two possible reasons for this. Many sites do not use the module, and therefore would not vote for enhancements to it. Other sites feel that nothing short of a total redesign could improve it, and therefore separate item by item enhancement requests are pointless.

LSTA Grant

Bradd and Anaclare discussed progress with the LSTA grant process, which DALNET is involved with. If LSTA chooses software other than RSS/URSA this could raise some issues and complications for the DALNET sites. Scripted demos of vendors who have replied to LSTA's RFP will occur on May 1 and May 2.

Training

RBR Module training will take place some time this summer.

IPAC Update

IPAC will not be installed until after Horizon 6.0 and an upgrade to Sybase at DPL.

Horizon Upgrade Schedule

Version 6.0 will be loaded in spring or summer, 2001

Version 7.0 is scheduled to be released may 2001

Version 7.2 is scheduled for release in Dec. 2001

Problems and concerns

The committee discussed some of the problems and concerns raised at the previous meeting. Charlotte is checking into a problem whereby random books appear to remain 'hanging' on a patron's record, despite the fact that the status changes (says 'checked in')

In addition there is a known problem whereby phantom records continue to be created by "hiccups" during the deletion process. There is a utility which must be run once a week to correct these.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 24 at 9:30 a.m., UDM Library, McNichols Campus. Joanie is bringing the treats

Bradd Burningham
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