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DALNET NOTIS Coordinators Meeting
September 15, 1986

Present: D. Adams; F. Buckley; L. Bugg; I. David; J. Flaherty; E. Hitchingham; M. Kynast; J. Smith; C. Wecker; J. Williams.

1. NOTIS loader programs for DALNET libraries --

Three libraries brought preliminary specifications for initial OCLC tape loader programs for NOTIS--U of D, Oakland, and Beaumont Hospital. DPL's specifications are in process.

Louise reported on her discussion with Chris Carlson, NOTIS Conversion Unit Manager. NOTIS prefers that libraries wanting preliminary evaluation of their loader specifications be 95% sure of having NOTIS customize their loader. Their preliminary review includes an estimate of time and cost. They are currently booked with loader programming through February/March 1987. Each library would be required to supply their final specifications and sample tape one month before NOTIS had scheduled the start of work on their loader.

WSUL will evaluate the DALNET libraries' specifications to determine if WSUL's loader programs could be easily modified for them, instead of having NOTIS do the customization. A proposal will be prepared by the next meeting for each one that could be done locally. Then, the library representatives can decide whether to have WSU or NOTIS customize their loader(s).

The option of loading the entire DC3 OCLC database was discussed. There are many advantages to loading it. WSUL will prepare a proposal, after technically evaluating the option, to be presented to the DC3 members for their review and approval.

In discussing the option of loading a "sample" database for each DALNET library, it became clear that top priority should be given to the real database loaders. It would be highly desirable, however, to create a duplicate of the WSUL test database for use by DALNET libraries for demos and testing.

WCCC is now ready to begin preparing its OCLC database for loading into NOTIS. Charlene will contact Theresa Shen, of WCCC, to begin work immediately on Blackwell specs and on obtaining and testing their OCLC archive tapes.

Louise distributed a copy of NOTIS's "white paper" on loading serials data to each DALNET library with OCLC union listing records. Peggy Steele is currently re-evaluating these recommendations.

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2. Blackwell Press Release --

Oakland, DPL, and U of D all approved the revised wording for a Blackwell Press Release regarding their tape processing contracts. Charlene will pass on the wording to Peter for review before sending it to Blackwell. It may be possible to include info re. WCCC in the same release.

3. News from DALNET libraries --

.Botsford--Debbie reported approval of the DALNET agreement by Botsford legal; she will be in touch with Jim Williams regarding negotiating an installation schedule and payment plan when she gets final approval.

.WCCC--Jim Flaherty reported approval with a few recommended changes of the DALNET agreement by WCCC legal; he has been appointed their DALNET NOTIS project manager; he also will be meeting with Jim Williams regarding schedule and payment plan after final board approval.

.U of D--Mary Kynast continues to be the U of D representative to DALNET coordinators meetings; Margaret Auer is meeting with Peter to discuss beginning with NOTIS database load and the cataloging module only, given their limited resources for the project at this time.

.DPL--Fran reported superb progress on their OCLC retrocon project, anticipating completion within a few months; their target is to get board approval of DALNET participation this fall; they approved the BNA contract for DPL's OCLC tape services.

.Oakland--Indra, at her "last" meeting for a while, reported that she, Sue Frankie, Jim, and Peter would be meeting this afternoon for what they hoped was the final time on the OU/WSU agreement; due to their exciting building expansion project, OU is having to calculate site requirements for NOTIS peripherals in some detail immediately.

.Beaumont--Joan explained about the delays in getting final approval of the DALNET agreement at Beaumont, involving detailed financial justification and a temporary new administrator; she may request WSU staff make a NOTIS/DALNET presentation to selected Beaumont administrative and medical staff.

Jim Williams agreed to distribute the most recent version of the DALNET system agreement to the coordinators as soon as possible, i.e., after Oakland's issues are settled.

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4. WSUL Implementation--

Louise distributed the August WSUL Progress Report and reviewed each section to date.

She indicated WSUL's intent to review the options of loading CRL, LCSH, and GPO tapes into NOTIS.

Sample brochures for public users of LUIS will be distributed to the DALNET coordinators, along with other user education materials gathered at WSUL. Nancy Allen, the Assistant Director for Services at WSUL (577-4033), is chairing the WSU Bibliographic Instruction Committee responsible for designing LUIS user education materials.

A list of the peripherals ordered by WSUL for NOTIS will be distributed, too.

5. WSUL NOTIS tour--

Those DALNET reps desiring a tour of WSUL NOTIS peripherals already installed were invited to gather in the lobby after the meeting.

The next DALNET NOTIS Coordinators meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 13th, at 9:00 a.m. in the WSU Library Director's Conference Room.

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