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DALNET DATABASE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

May 7, 1998

Wayne State University, SEL RM. 15

Present: Rex Dotson (DPL), Anaclare Evans (WSU/DALNET), Birong Ho (WSU, Chair), Adriene Lim (WSU/DALNET), Donna Roe (UDM), D. Kittendorf(MCC)

1. System Updates:

NOTIS 6.4.1:

A. Evans reported that 6.4.1 release of NOTIS was tested and ready for production mode. The hot line (313-5774195) will be used for progress reports. Bibliographic record changes that impact catalogers include: the four-digit date code used for LCCN, record loading programs including GTO will include OCM before the OCLC number, which thus will impact the OCLC number search (fi no=). In this new release, NOTIS will implement US MARC for Bibliographic Records Update No. 2. There are also updates in USMARC for Authority Records and MARC for Holding data. A number of default values have been changed. A handout enumerating the various changes is being prepared and will be distributed.

Horizon Migration:

A. Evans reported that the DALNET Database Structure Task Force has recommended a hybrid option that combines the best of Option A with Option B and was named Option B+. This option has individual bibliographic databases for each DALNET institution, or for groups of institutions, that all contribute a union database. It is planned that synchronization of the records in the union database, the union authority database, and the individual institution databases will be done automatically. The union database will be supported by a shared authority file, which will include MeSH, LCSH, and Anglo-American Authority File (names and series).

D. Roe reported that the University of Detroit Mercy identified 526 bibliographic records for the first test load into Horizon during the week of May 11th. The Cataloging Department selected 400 NOTIS records from samples of monographs, serials, audiovisuals, electronic resources, special collections, unusual location codes, notes, and access tags. The Acquisitions Department selected about 25 records to test acquisition's capabilities in Horizon. Public Services librarians selected 100 records for which testing would demonstrate access ease or difficulty.

2. Minimal Level Cataloging Standard:

The Committee finalized the draft of the revised DALNET Minimal Level Cataloging Standards. B. Ho will generate the final copy and submit it to Project Managers for approval and implementation. However, this draft involved a major change to the policy: follow PCC's Core Record Standard. Each committee member shall take the draft to their respective institution and seek feedback before the document goes to Project Managers. The key areas are subject analysis and series treatment.

3. DALNET Provisional Bib Standards:

The Committee shall revise the document at the next meeting.

4. DALNET Standards for Electronic Resources:

LC's document, Draft Interim Guidelines for Cataloging Electronic Resources, was briefly discussed. The key areas were identified. Strategies to address the issues were suggested to focus on immediate needs and specific segment of the issues, instead of LC's comprehensive overview.

5. ACRL 9th National Conference:

D. Roe (UDM) has suggested that the Committee prepare a proposal for a Panel session for ACRL 9th Conference, April 1999. The Committee will address the possibility at the next meeting, The deadline for submission of proposals is June 15, 1998.

6. Next Meeting will be held

Thursday June 4, 1998 at 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at WSU's Science/Engineering Library, Rm. 15

Notes by B. Ho

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