

Montana Shared Catalog Content Management Committee Minutes
September 14, 2023, 1-4pm, online via Zoom

Attendance Roll call – Members present: Jen Hossack, Abbi Dooley, Kat Wilson, Paulette Parpart, Jodie Moore, Carly Delsigne, Sydnie Tallman, Lyndy Parke, Beth Boyson

MSL staff present: Amy Marchwick, Laura Tetter, Cara Orban, Melody Karle, Mel Carroll, Keiley McGregor

Meeting called to order at 1:05 PM by Laura Tretter, Montana Shared Catalog.

Approve minutes from 3/8/2023 meeting – the March minutes include an item about Paulette Parpart reporting the number of items she originally catalogs to MSC. 24! 24 items originally cataloged by Paulette since the last CMC meeting. Motion to accept the minutes made by Jodie Moore, second by Jen Hossack. Vote to approve is unanimous.

Announcements – Theresa Keenan and Melody are reviewing NACO authority records, as discussed at the March meeting. That is happening at the universities, primarily. CMC members are interested in NACO training if it comes to Montana. A list of interested catalogers is growing.

Consortium update – Amy Marchwick reports that the newsletter on GovDelivery list includes much news about the consortium. The update of Workflows Symphony will lead to the eventual adoption of a Symphony web-based browser system. This will be an option, not required. It would replace the separate app. The browser would serve many libraries much better than the app.

Membership meeting - Fall membership will be on Wednesday, October 18. Billings Schools are now live in MSC, 160 thousand items added to MSC. Cleaning up the bylaws and structure of the Executive Board will be on the agenda.

ONGOING BUSINESS

OCLC contract review update – Cara Orban reports it is time to assess the value MSL & MSC are getting from every contract. OCLC is a sole source vendor. The cost is \$500K annually. The statistics examined by MSL such as sharing groups, Worldshare for interlibrary loan. Q. What do the CMC members see as success in the OCLC services provided?

Cara says that success of cataloging uses all the cataloging tools, schools are not using Interlibrary loan, use the cataloging tools in a different way. Are there barriers to use of Interlibrary Loan? Should more training be provided in the Montana State Library curriculum? A success statement for cataloging includes the sharing of records, the authority fields, and the infrastructure that allows the Montana Shared Catalog to exist. When new formats, e.g. Graphic Novels, Games, Musical Instruments, are added to library holdings, the examples and records OCLC provide are invaluable, saving many hours.

MSL is not looking to replace OCLC. This is a sole source contract. No other vendor provides the services OCLC does. The goal is to get the most value as prices rise and services are reduced. Suggestion made include: Given all the data OCLC collects, perhaps they can better coordinate the data supplied about collection strengths and weaknesses in Montana. Also, which interface are libraries using with OCLC: Smartport? Connexion? Schools are required to subscribe to OCLC, but do not use it nearly as much for Interlibrary Loan or cataloging. It's available through Worldshare to all subscribers. This information would help steer data driven decisions for all members.

A training in OCLC will be offered by MSC Bobbie DeMontigny, Tuesday, September 26 on OCLC Group Services. Another training on October 31 will focus on OCLC record manager.

MARC 336 display in Enterprise for sound recordings – Content type on Enterprise display for sound recordings is now live with the upgrades and corrections suggested at CMC by Missoula. Musical sound recording, other types of sound recordings, are made clear by the entry in the 336.

The [hyperlink for series records](#) will also go live very soon in Enterprise. It's already live in the MSC App. Example given, 'Percy Jackson' After searching, or clicking on the live link, all the linked items will appear in a search results list.

Cataloging and attaching items to serial and series bib records – The problems with call number analytics have been analyzed and discussed many times. As a test, in Gallatin County Libraries, the books in series will be broken out, e.g. graphic novels, and put out on individual records for each volume in the series. DVDs, Periodicals will not be included in this test. Patron experience, holds and cataloging trends will be studied. Other Libraries in MSC will choose which type of record they want to be on – a group record or individual record. Creating those records as needed has not been assigned to any library yet. Three Forks, Manhattan, West Yellowstone, Belgrade and Bozeman are the Bridger Group.

NEW BUSINESS

OCLC Record Manager Connexion Browser is ending in April 2024. An introduction to OCLC Record Manager will be held virtually by MSL. Record Manager is the web-based cataloging tool that will replace/succeed Connexion Browser. Connexion Client is software that must be downloaded. MLA Tech Interest Group Christine Call would be a good person to bring some training to MLA meetings.

Monthly discard process and bib records not uploaded to OCLC – Amy reports on eliminating issues related to discard lists sent to OCLC. The following items are NOT sent: brief records, preloaded e-readers, Computer, Games, Kits, Laptops, Seeds are not sent. In many cases, for example, hotspot are not loaned out via Interlibrary loan, and so, the holdings are not listed in OCLC. A list of these item types will be posted in the CMC list serve for members to review.

Subject heading browse index – Keyword search has reduced subject heading browsing. For many years, the subject heading string would rotate or flip. Example: dogs, cats, would rotate the terms and search for everything. That rotate practice will no longer be a part of the search results. This is on the recommendation of Sirsi Dynix to large systems like MSC.

SmartPort databases – The databases available to search for records to download will be reduced to OCLC and the Library of Congress exclusively on Smartport. Laura T is hoping to streamline the user connection to Connexion Client.

Local Author subject headings – Billings PL would like to indicate in a record that a Montana author wrote this book. This is covered in section 6.9 in the MSC Cataloging booklet. Genre headings in the 650 field are confusing. Paulette P. asks if MSC moved to a different system, can they batch change all the records cataloged to date? Answer, yes, probably. Missoula PL has trained its users and staff to search this way. OCLC is batch changing 650 subject headings fields to 655 genre fields. The 386 field is where this is appearing in records. Will books set in Montana be included, or authors who live here? This issue will be discussed again in the future.

MARC 856 display in Enterprise – Many fields display in Enterprise, such as table of contents, cover art, publisher description, biographical information, MAY be removed AFTER polling MSC members. As a test, cover image and the author photos will be removed in a batch. The electronic access term implies an ebook is available to read, which is unhelpful to the patron. Also, many links require login / password at places outside of Montana. MSC will proceed.

Junk tag review – The list of junk tags is on Aspen in the minutes from a past meeting, and included 500 fields. Currently, the junk fields are NOT added to the database. The junk tags are taking up quite a bit of space in the catalog– can these fields be retroactively removed? Amy M would need to test it first.

CMC procedures – As bylaws are updated and the Executive Board is dissolved, the CMC procedures must be revised. After the bylaws are approved, the CMC bylaws must also be revised. A small committee will be appointed and will present their new document at the Spring 2024 meeting. Jodie suggests we can loosen some of the CMC bylaws.

DEI Collection Analysis BCA report – MSC purchased a report from Sirsi/Dynix to look at what 650, 651 fields are present to show what representation is given to minorities in the circulating collection. This report may become available to MSC members. If there are specific topics members would like to know about in their collection, MSC can tweak the report, which is not yet available. The report may be called subject collection analysis.

Public comment – None

Beth Boyson, September 23, 2023