Cataloger’s Meeting Minutes – June 2, 2002

Today we met in Room 487 and discussed issues which were in progress.

1. Issue over Electronic resource/gmd/multiple record and patron confusion (brought forward by Marilyn Rogers and Usha). The solution in place is that InfoLinks has been set to display the item location after the title in the menu screen. This appears to solve many of the concerns brought forward by Marilyn and Usha. The catalogers concurred that this seems to be the best available technological solution at this time. The only request that we will make is that the display label be singular not plural, INTERNET RESOURCE (not RESOURCES).

   [I have sent Beth and Barbara an email.]

2. Cataloging Internet Monographs. Kate is working on the request to catalog the HACCP site and Deb has some other request on hand also. These requests were made before May 2002. In May, I began to keep track of requests; there were a total of 6 in May. In June, we have received requests. So far, Kate has been able to catalog these giving them priority status. We will continue to monitor the number of requests and the time required for cataloging.

3. The plan had been to train Chao to back up Janell and Trish on new book copy cataloging; however, Norma has sent 700 FAL transfers and Chao is assisting with the processing of those titles first.

4. There has been no time for Deb and Beth to meet to discuss the use and terminology of the 690 subjects, Text (Electronic database) and Text (Electronic monograph).

5. Deb and Barbara have been working on the Automatic Authorities Product. They are waiting on a quote from III on making locally edited authority records protected from overlaying. Also there are some problems with the way the product work which need investigation.

6. Cheryl promised to update the project list for everyone to give feedback and this has been done. New figures for the two barcode projects, the Kluwer project have been added. The Happy Hallow project has been edited. The second phase began this morning with Ben showing Misha and Martha some of the Photoshop capabilities. Please give me updates on other projects.

7. OCLC Connexion: OCLC has announced that the new cataloging and metadata service is available for use; however, has publicly admitted that the webbased product has not been perfected. Mary played with it a little bit and said that response time was slow. Kate received information from the CORC list (which is ending since the CORC is no longer a separate service) about a
new list. She will send us all the address to subscribe. Our initial impression is that we would be wise to subscribe to the list, watch for training materials, attend any possible meetings (There should be one at Ark. Lib. Assn. this fall.), and plan to make the change over next year. Passport will disappear December 2003 so there should be plenty of time. There is no changes to ILL or OCLC Union List modules at this time.

Next week, let's plan on meeting in Room 487 at 11:00 to continue with these issues and updates on projects/work in progress. Other agenda items??

Cheryl