

Database Maintenance Advisory Council

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Present: Rob Carle (UHLS), Sue Dague (EGRN), Katie Farrell (APLM), Karin Martin (BETH), Peggy Mello (COLN), Jendy Murphy (APL), Lisa Pitkin (GUIL), Julie Stump (VOOR), Mary Trev Thomas (BETH), Joe Thornton (UHLS)

Itypes: The Resource Sharing Advisory Council is working on a project to simplify and clarify our use of Itypes. The project will involve renaming the existing Itypes, eliminating a lot of them, and assigning the new ones to every item in our database. Resource Sharing asked Database to review the plan, which we did and approved wholeheartedly. Rob produced a document that outlines the new structure of Itypes, and that will be the starting point of the project.

Cataloging graphic novels: Katie asked if we could talk about how we do it. Rob pointed to the section of the *Training* site that explains this procedure. On the UHLS web site, go to: Services -> Training -> Training -> Cataloging and Technical Processing -> How to add a graphic novel

RDA: A discount on the RDA Toolkit may be available through CDLC, according to an email from Sue Rahn. Do we need/want to purchase it? (Joe). The consensus is to wait a while -- at least until (if) we migrate to a new ILS.

DVD sets: We've had a discussion via email about the confusion caused by our method of handling DVD sets. In a nutshell, some of us think that each item should be an exact copy of what the bib record describes (e.g. "complete first season") and others think that for various reasons (workload, catalog clutter, etc.) it's necessary sometimes to have subsets (e.g. "Disks 3-5") listed as items under "complete first season." To be continued.

ILS exploration: The ILS Investigation Subcommittee of ASC met, and one of the suggestions was that we ask for input from the advisory councils. Joe reported on the short list (Evergreen, Horizon, III, Polaris, and Symphony) and the process (vendor demos this year) and asked the group to think about what they want in an ILS.

OCLC numbers hitting one billion. Sue had sent an email about the imminent milestone of OCLC# 1000000000. OCLC has some concern about libraries being able to handle the new number. They sent a file of three test records, which Rob imported successfully into our clone database. So I think we don't have a problem but we discussed the issue anyway to make sure that everyone is aware.

245\$h changes: UHLS promised at the last meeting to try to make some global changes to the [sound recording] and [videorecording] 245\$h's. We did. We changed them to [sound recording (cassette)] and [videorecording (VHS)], respectively.

Authority control follow-up: We discussed, briefly, the recent authority control project, specifically the amount of time it took, some confusion about editing while the database was away, and whether we could switch to every other year (no way).

Next meeting: Joe will suggest a Tuesday or Thursday at the end of June.