

Cataloging AC Minutes 9/5/19

Present: Stephanie Anderson (APL), Lisa Bouchard (BETH), Rob Carle (UHLS), Sue Dague (EGRN), Joe Nash (COLN), Heather Nelson (GUIL), Lisa Pitkin (GUIL), Michele Reilly (VOOR), Joe Thornton (UHLS)

1. *Meeting note taker. Volunteers?*

Hmm ... No volunteers. Joe will do it.

2. *Sierra migration update. (Joe)*

Joe recapped the highlights of the 9/3 migration of Sierra from Syracuse to Amazon Web Services (AWS): Patrons couldn't login to *OverDrive* because it uses IP address to connect to *Sierra* for authentication. Some, but not all, Baker & Taylor processes needed the new *Sierra* IP address. Some Z39.50 settings needed the new IP address, etc. COLN had major problems starting their *Sierra* clients (we're still working with the Town of Colonie on this problem). Many email courtesy notices bounced because a fix we had installed a year ago uses IP address, so we had to change the DNS settings for all libraries.

But the major disruption during the migration was coincidental and not at all related: Our SSL certificate had expired and III was slow to install the new one we sent them. This caused major trouble. Most importantly, patrons couldn't login to their library accounts to make requests, etc. After we made III aware of the urgency of the problem (many times) they installed the certificate late in the day on 9/3.

3. *What Itype labels for Library of Things items? See the [August meeting notes](#) for a list of issues.*

Discussion:

- APL would like four new Item Types, to accommodate 3, 7, 14, and 28 loan periods for LoT items.
- We can't have Item Types with loan periods (e.g. '7 day') as part of the name, since libraries may loan their LoT items for different periods.
- We decided to create four new Item Types: 'Library of Things #1,' 'Library of Things #2,' 'Library of Things #3,' and 'Library of Things #4,' and let libraries assign whatever loan policies they choose to them.

4. *From the last meeting: Update: CLS with B&T for Audiobooks is not going smoothly ... so far, they have not been able to get us an Item Record, only a Bib record and an incomplete Order Record. I think we are having a miscommunication based on Sierra and what they need to have in the load tables. More to update on this next month after Test Item #3 arrives. Based on this, I will be able to tell if I want to move forward with B&T handling more of APL's processing, but if they can not get it right, it is not really cost-effective. (Stephanie)*

Look at load table again and the information encoded in the 949 field in their MARC import.

Stephanie said that APL got this process to work, so we're all set.

5. *Return to Item Type project? (see [Loan Rules #1](#) and [Loan Rules #2](#))*

UHLS will return to the project of asking libraries with hardly-used Item Types (e.g. Book - Fiction, New) if they're willing to move them to different, but very similar Item Types (e.g. Book - New) so we can reduce the number of Item Types and simplify some processes in *Sierra*.

6. *Anything else?*

- Sue asked for an update on the APL inventory project. Stephanie said that it's going okay despite some wifi problems. Shelf reading isn't happening.
- We discussed whether we're able now, with our new, full OCLC subscription, to remove our OCLC symbol from titles that we no longer own. Joe will investigate.
- Sue asked if there's a way to batch-add tags in *Encore*. Rob and Joe think it's highly unlikely, but will check.

Next meeting October 3, 2019