

## Cataloging AC Minutes 10/6/2022 (online)

**Present:** Phil Berardi (BETH), Lisa Bouchard (BETH), Rob Carle (UHLS), Sue Dague (EGRN), Jane Feeney (BETH), Pam Jacobson (SNLK), Xiaofei Li (APL), Peggy Mello (COLN), Edra Nehme (BETH), Lisa Thomas (BETH), Joe Thornton (UHLS)

1. *Copying and pasting from SkyRiver to Sierra. Is there a way to copy a complete field and not just the contents of a field? Multiple fields at the same time? (Sue)*

Consensus: no:

- a. Rob recommended using the 'Derive' button in *SkyRiver* to create a new record and do what you like with it.
  - b. *SkyRiver* is more flexible than *CatExpress*.
  - c. Lisa T: If I just want a 650 field I need to do content on multiple fields.
  - d. Sue: Can't copy the tag, just the content
2. *Do we have automatic authority control in Sierra? It was mentioned in a cataloging webinar I attended. (Sue)*
    - a. Joe: Was it a *Sierra* webinar? Sue: no. The *Sierra* discussion was in the Chat section of the webinar.
    - b. Rob: There is no automatic authority control in *Sierra*, but we'll ask III what our options are.
    - c. Sue: Many author headings are incorrect in *Sierra*.
    - d. Lisa B (and Rob): We fix wrong headings as we encounter them, often checking the Library of Congress.

3. *Are our holdings being regularly updated in WorldCat? My question is in regard to interlibrary loan. (Sue)*

Joe: No. Many years ago we took advantage of a special free offer by OCLC and updated our holdings, but that was a one-time thing and we haven't updated them since. This is mainly an ILL issue - OCLC shows that we own things that we no longer own, so we get ILL requests for them. Joe said that this happens very infrequently and is easy to deal with at UHLS, where most system ILLs are processed.

4. *We might also want to discuss the issue about Sky River sometimes not having records for new items available yet, and Z39.50 does. I find SALS records in Z39.50 to be particularly very good. (Lisa B)*

- a. APL is also having the issue of not enough new records.
- b. Lisa B said that Rob asked III about the declining availability of records in *SkyRiver*, which seems to be getting worse.
- c. Lisa B said that she had 23 items that she couldn't find records for in *SkyRiver*, but Z39.50 had 13 of them.

- d. Rob asked everyone to keep a log of unfound titles and he'll pass them on to III.
  - e. Edra: Substitution phrases in *SkyRiver* are great. Rob said that they can be used for patron and item records, too.
  - f. We had a pretty long discussion about periods (.) in Subject phrases. Sue said that if there's no series heading then there should not be a period in the Subject. Rob will remove the period where appropriate.
5. 050 tag:
- a. Xiaofei said that it's a long-time problem where the 050 is in the MARC record. The 050 contains an LC Call Number, which we don't use or need, so she deletes them when she encounters them.
  - b. Joe asked if we can safely delete all 050 tags and Rob asked if they might be useful when we create our own Call Numbers. Sue said that we don't need the 050 except in the very rare case where we need to convert LC to Dewey. Lisa B said that you can find a Dewey number by Googling a topic and the phrase "Dewey number."
  - c. Rob will create a Review File of bib records with 050 tags for us to review before deciding whether or not to delete them all.
6. *Cataloging Manual (Rob)*
- a. Rob demoed the [manual](#).
  - b. Sue said that ISBNs now have thirteen characters, not ten.
  - c. Lisa T said that Catherine (remember her?) had told BETH staff not to use a dollar sign with price.
  - d. We created a [Google Doc](#) to use to suggest changes to the [Cataloging Manual](#) before our next meeting. We'll start with the OXX fields and take it from there in subsequent meetings.
7. *Meet in person? (Joe)*
- Joe asked if the group was interested in resuming in-person meetings. The consensus is that *Zoom* meetings are working for us so we'll stick with that method for now.
- Lisa B reminded us that NYLA meets the first week of November so we should either reschedule or cancel our November meeting.