

CMC meeting March 8

CMC members in attendance – Paulette Parpart, Lynde Park, Beth Boyson, Abbi Dooley, Sydnie Tallman, Jodie Moore, Elizabeth Fellerer, Kat Wilson, Treva Higgins, Jen Hossack, Aaron LaFromboise

MSC: Amy Marchwick, Melody Karle, Laura Tretter, Keiley McGregor, Mel Carroll, Cara Orban.

Approval of minutes for 11/02/2022 meeting. Jodie Moore moves to approve the minutes; Sydnie Tallman seconds the motion. Minutes approved unanimously.

Welcome to our new members, Elizabeth, Kat, Aaron, and Treva. CMC members are updated in Aspen.

MSC update: The Exec Board is working on updates to the MSC Bylaws

Wednesday April 12 there will be the MSC members meeting at MLA in Billings. MLA registration is not required to attend in-person. There will be an option to attend online.

MSC will offer two sessions at MLA which are catalog related: serial and serial records, and mobile hotspot cataloging.

OCLC contract review: by Cara Orban – The MSC is reviewing the value of the very large (500K) contract for Montana libraries. It includes ILL and cataloging. MSL wants to make sure the OCLC subscription is worthwhile to schools, and public libraries. OCLC is required for school libraries. A member of CMC is desired on the committee that will study this, and the committee will start to meet this Summer. This is not a renewal of the contract, just a review of the existing contract.

Original cataloging: MSC catalogers, Laura Tretter and Melody Karle have offered to do original cataloging for libraries who need it. Paulette Parpart recently added 32 full, original, records to the catalog. Paulette will send counts of items she catalogs for other libraries to Melody. The cataloging for books in other languages present a challenge because of the diacritics. This can skew title entries and indexing.

Bib records hitting maximum size clean-up: There is a limit to the number of characters in a record and when the records exceed the number the records do not index properly, and therefore are not discoverable. The MSC has a way to identify these records after they error out. MSC are manually doing the cleanup by removing fast subject headings and a few other fields to keep the records 'findable'. This is workable solution for now. This is not a daily task, so feel free to continue notifying MSC if you come across any of these records.

Content type display in Enterprise: Music recordings and spoken word sound recordings in Enterprise are difficult to identify in search result lists in Enterprise without additional descriptive information. MSC has been working to add Content Type to the brief display based on MARC 336 terms. Missoula has been the test site for this. Display of content type has not been rolled out to live Enterprise sites, although it was mistakenly live on a few library sites. Adding content type to the display is not an all members or none decision for the MSC. Text is the content type for books and was seen as problematic. MSC will continue working on display options for formats and terms.

Montana NACO Funnel: Melody Karle has agreed to be a NACO reviewer along with Teresa Keenan. She has taken recent training for this complex authority record creation. Laura Tretter is the NACO coordinator working with LC to confirm online training. In the past training has been taught to an online cohort once or twice a year, but LC is working to make the training available on demand. Laura will share updates about training as it becomes available.

SuperCataloger update: Courtney Lujan in Billings has completed the training and is a SUPER CATALOGER!

Mobile Hotspots: Four new bib records have been created for use in MSC. Each library can look at and transfer their items to these records. On April 24, after the MLA workshop, MSC will transfer items to the new records, unless some dispensation has been requested. Sharing groups must attach their hotspots to these records or the holds will not work properly. Call number analytics are not necessary in these records.

Cataloging of and attaching items to serial and series bib records: MSC continues to work on issues around serial and series records – juv comics, specifically. The variety in call number analytics is confusing, inconsistent and makes placing holds very difficult. The Gallatin County Libraries will serve as a test sharing group to use separate records for each book in a series and thus, no call number analytic. The testing method has not been created yet. The records with all of the ISBNs and titles in a 15 part series could also trigger the maximum size for bib records issue. The DVDs have been split up many different ways. AV may have special considerations.

MARC 856 December 2022 updates: Laura shared updates to the MARC 856 field which is the website link in bib records. As new records come in we will see use of new second indicators and subfields. MSC will confirm with SirsiDynix if any configuration needs to be updated.

Miscellaneous: When searching by author, the tags such as composer, or author (alone) or author, illustrator separate the lists of items that author created. MSC's Laura Tretter is working on this.

The public notes in item records do not have a known character limit. Multiple public notes are also an option.

Folks would like to be able to do a linked string subject search in Workflows. MSC staff will explore if this is a configuration setting.