

**Minutes**  
**Prospector Cataloging Reference Committee Meeting**  
**November 16, 2006**

**Present:** Mary Beth Chambers (chair), Barbara Allen, Joanna Blair, Pam Blome, Rick Boeder, Gwen Gregory, Virginia Inness, Janet Lee, Terri Lewis, Debbie McCarthy, Betty Meagher, Rose Nelson, Pam Newberg, Sarah Stein (standing in for Janet Ryan), Cynthia Wilson.

**1. Alliance announcements from Rose:**

- A.** The minutes of the latest Directors Meeting is on the Alliance website.
- B.** The Prospector statistics including average delivery turn-around studies are now available through a link on the Prospector Staff website.
- C.** On Nov. 2, Jessica Branco Colati started as the new project director for the Digital Repository, a collaborative project among Alliance libraries. They are now looking for a programmer.

**2. Other announcement:**

Gwen Gregory announced that Colorado College is looking for a new Systems Librarian.

**3. Business:**

- A. Recorder for 2007:** There was some discussion that the one-year term for Recorder was up after this meeting. Pam Blome agreed to be recorder for one more year.
- B. OCLC number expansion:** There was some discussion on the new OCLC number expansion. It is recommended that the III libraries strip the ocn prefix from the records when they load their records to facilitate proper record matching. We will ask George to put this in the "Best Practices" document. It is expected that Innovative will be making updates to all of their customers' software next week if they have Version 2005 or later. Rose will check to see if there are issues or concerns for the non-III libraries.
- C. ISBN 13:** III libraries with BISAC ordering must use the EDIFACT ordering which converts ISBNs on the fly. It is recommended that libraries retrospectively convert the ISBN13s in the 024 3 to the 020 field. Rose will send out a link to III recommendations for the ISBN 13. She provided paper copies to those from Endeavor libraries.
- D. OCLC no. in 035 field:** There was a question about libraries that do that acquire bib records from non-OCLC sources. Some of the records are OCLC records with OCLC numbers in the 035. This is not a problem as long as the records have been obtained in a legal, ethical way. There is no reason for libraries to transfer OCLC numbers from the 035 field to the 001 field.

**E. Links to Amazon:** Rose talked about the project to put links to Amazon and other book vendors into Prospector records. This could be done through Gold Rush with a link resolver using the ISBN. The Alliance office will set up a test database to enable us to try it out before going "Live." When this test database is set up, Rose will share the URL with the Prospector group members. It was suggested that we discuss this with our Reference Librarians.

**F. Missing 008 fields:** Rose and Cynthia discussed a "bug" that has been discovered that loads order records without 008 fields. For some reason these records may actually replace full records loaded by another library for the same work. All of the normal routines to eliminate "bad" records by suppressing and un-suppressing have been unsuccessful in getting rid of these records. The bug has been reported, and Ill is working on a fix. Those with records that have been affected should report them to Rose and George so that they can forward them to Ill to demonstrate the bug.

**4. Sub Committee/Task Force reports:**

**A. Documentation:** The review of Basic Documentation will be continued via e-mail. Nothing new to report.

**B. Large Record Set Loads:** Betty received no feedback on the large record set loading, so the current wording will go into effect. However, Joanna said that CSU is requesting that something be added concerning encoding levels. Betty agreed to add this. This will be considered a dynamic document and will be updated as needed.

**C. Multi-part items:** Cynthia had nothing new to report; the best practices document for multi-part items is still a work in progress.

**5. Serial Solutions Records.:**

It was decided to postpone the discussion on Serials Solution Large record loads until January after everyone has had a chance to review the information via e-mails which Mary Beth will send out. Wyoming will begin loading their records in groups of 3000 per day beginning after Thanksgiving.

**6. Committee Charge:**

We will continue to review the wording of the Committee Charge. There is a consensus that the Prospector Staff side website needs updating. Mary Beth passed out copies of the old and newly edited versions and suggested that feedback and suggestions for updating the charge be sent to Rose.

**7. Overdrive records:**

Jefferson County Library System will be loading their Overdrive records for books and music and they will be displayed in Prospector. The records are encoded as "K" records, but appear to be fairly good, complete records. So far there are around 800 books and 30 music albums. More will continue to be added. These are for the downloaded files which will

expire after the loan period is over. Denver Public Library has their Overdrive records in Prospector already.

**8. Other issues:**

**A. Playaways:** It was asked if anyone is cataloging Playaways. These are single, self-contained audio books. They require headphones and batteries to use them. Batteries are an issue. It can take 2-4 batteries to get through one book. For libraries, they may be more trouble than they are worth.

**B. Wyoming AV items:** Wyoming is in the process of loading 14,000 AV items, which will be available for loan. They are primarily VHS.

**C. Statistics:** Rose passed out the October Prospector collection statistics. This information is also available on the Web.

**9. III Training:**

Rose mentioned that she had been to training for III's Direct Consortial Borrowing (DCB) product for creating InnReach consortiums that include non-III libraries. Two Library systems are currently working with it, MeLCat in Michigan and the PASCAL system in South Carolina.

**10. Next meeting:**

The next meeting will be held on January 18, 2007 at the JCPL Library Service Center, 12:30 p.m.