Prospector Cataloging/Reference Committee
Jan. 21, 2016
12:30 – 3:30
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Present: Sommer Browning, Auraria; Erin Elzi, DU; Kim Medema, Regis; Rose Nelson, Alliance; Chet Rebman, Alliance; Janet Ryan, DPL; Cynthia Wilson (recorder), JCPL.

Via remote: Pam Blome, CSM; Mary Beth Chambers, UCCS; Lloyd Chittendon, Ft. Lewis; Emily Epstein, CU-Denver; Jessica Hayden, UNC (Chair); Virginia Inness, COSPL; Diane Levin, Eagle Valley; Paul Moeller, CU-Boulder; Beth Oehlerts, CSU; Emily Veenstra-Ott, Bud Werner Library; Jamie Walker, CMU; Mary Walsh, ASU.

Prospector Statistics
Rose distributed current statistical reports. A question was asked about local use titles in the unique titles number. Rose reported that local use only items are included if they are contributed to Prospector.

Library Catalog Comparison Tool
Rose provided an update on the comparison tool. It is a tool designed to support collection analysis. They are continually improving the tool and adding functionality. Rose demonstrated the current level of functionality including the limiting facets, overlapping content, unique content, actual numbers of holdings, and MARC record view. Upcoming development includes look at adding circulation data and branch level data down the line. Updates of adds and drops can be sent, and will be loaded by the next day, depending on the file size. If you are working on a special project, subsets of your data can be sent so reports and comparisons can be run to support the project. To send records, email Rose for instructions.

InnReach
Rose reported on the meeting from ALA Midwinter in which Innovative provided details on the InnReach development cycle. Tim Auger discussed the future of InnReach, and highlighted some of the directions their development is taking. They will be providing two major releases and two service packs per year. They will be combining the best of discovery and catalog functions, and tailoring the experience to the individual. In the next several phases (InnReach 3.0 and 4.0) they are working on finishing up the direct-to-Prospector API and then eventually open APIs so that other library ILSPs (beyond Polaris) can be
added to an InnReach system directly. They are working on parity with local system capabilities for such things as reading lists. In the InnReach 5.0 development cycle they are looking at open resource sharing across consortia and cascading request fulfillment. They are looking at shared resource management for both physical and electronic items, as well as document delivery and metadata service options. They are also looking at improved analytics across agencies and consortia.

**ILS migration best practices**

The need for updated best practices when migrating to and from Prospector was discussed, based upon the experience of several libraries who have been, or are currently undergoing migrations. We discussed several points, including:

- scheduling the removal of records from Prospector
- deciding how you will come back to Prospector (DCB or API? NCIP?)
- initial profiling and data mapping
- how to migrate bibs and items (SFTP)
- how often to refresh data
- paging slip formatting and printing
- testing (test server, buddy testing)
- establishing communication between the Alliance and the service provider

A subcommittee will create a document of best practices to post on the website.

**Elsevier e-books**

Elsevier will be adding an e-book package for Alliance members to be shared through Prospector. The package includes major reference works, e-books 2007-2018, and book series backfiles. MARC records are available by using OCLC’s Collection Manager. Elsevier will provide instructions for retrieval of the MARC records.

**Library updates**

There was a question about the status of the E-brary and EBL merge.

The DDA mailing list needs to be updated to make sure everyone who needs to get records is on the list.

DPL will be having internet and phone system separation from the City of Denver over the Presidents’ Day holiday weekend. Their phone numbers and email addresses will stay the same.

DU will go live on their new ILSP July 1, 2016.
Next meeting: April 14, 2016.