

Prospector Cataloging/Reference Committee

Oct. 15, 2015
12:30 – 3:30
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Present: Erin Elzi, DU; Jessica Hayden, UNC (Chair); Virginia Inness, COSPL; Chris Long, CU Boulder; George Machovec, Alliance; Rose Nelson, Alliance; David Pimentel, DPL; Chet Rebman; Alliance; Janet Ryan, DPL; Cynthia Wilson (recorder), JCPL.

Via remote: Pam Blome, CSM; Sommer Browning, Auraria; Lloyd Chittendon, Ft. Lewis; Brandon Cole, Marmot; Emily Epstein, CU-Denver; Diane Levin, Eagle Valley; Terri Lewis, Flatirons Consortium; Paul Moeller, CU-Boulder; Tami Morse, UW; Karen Neville, CCU; Jo Norris, Vail; Emily Veenstra-Ott, Bud Werner Library; Jamie Walker, CMU; Mary Walsh, ASU.

Updates

Prospector statistics were distributed and discussed.

Ft. Lewis has joined Marmot.

Mobius will be adding libraries in the Spring 2016, including the Palmer School of Chiropractic in Iowa, and several seminary libraries.

The Prospector director's meeting will be held November 12, 1:00-3:30. The topics of discussion will include budget changes and pricing models. The Alliance has been working on a more equitable pricing model based on size. Please encourage your directors to attend.

Library catalog comparison tool

Rose provided a demonstration of the features of the library catalog and journal comparison tools. The tools are available to Prospector members for such things as comparing like databases from different vendors, comparing database coverage from the same vendor, overlap comparisons, finding how many titles are available as open access. For print materials, the comparisons can be used in weeding decisions, storage decisions, and retention decisions. Rose will send out more details to the list on how to access and how to add your library's data to the tool.

Title reports

Rose provided login information for the Ill web reports and a brief demo. Some of the reports available are filled, unfilled, and loaned.

Prospector FAQ

Rose discussed the progress on the Prospector FAQ section of the web page, and asked for suggestions. One suggestion was to update the listserv welcome email to include links to the FAQ and other vital information on the website for new members. The suggestion was also made to send out a reminder of those same links to current members on an annual basis.

DDA Project

The DDA project using Proquest EBL and EBrary is in the fourth year of operation. There are changes in the marketplace – some publishers are dropping short term loans, so there is a mediated process to deal with those publishers. Currently, there are nine academic library participants. Beth Oehlerts at CSU is the tech lead. Provisional MARC records are sent, and if a title is purchased, Beth catalogs the title in OCLC and an email goes out to the participants to load the OCLC record. There are currently roughly 10,000 provisional records, with 500-600 purchased titles.

Bibframe update

David from DPL provided an update on the Zepheira project. One of the challenges to the project is dealing with multiple ILSs and how they handle changes to the records, and how those changes are reflected in the Bibframe environment. They are currently moving from the beta server to individual sites for each participating library. DPL now has approximately 74,000 items indexed in Google. It was suggested that DPL post updates to the Prospector list.

Committee charge

George reviewed the history of the existing committee charge. It was agreed that it was time to update the charge. A subcommittee was formed to rewrite the document. The subcommittee consists of Jessica, Rose and Erin.

Check out Colorado

Virginia provided some information about the Check out Colorado pass that is designed to provide access to Colorado state parks. Eight libraries across the state are checking out State Parks passes, along with a backpack that includes park information. Coming soon will be another project in which packs containing 3D printed objects related to dinosaurs and historic objects will be available for circulation.

Next meeting

January 21, 2016.