

## CONSULS Catalogers Meeting Minutes

August 20; 9:30 a.m.

Present: Dana Tonkonow (CCSU), Priya Rai (CCSU), Alesia Szabo (WCSU), Kris Jacobi (ECSU), Cindy Schofield (SCSU), Jackie Toce (SCSU), Stephen Slovasky (CSL)

1. There was discussion about the 6XX 2<sup>nd</sup> indicator 7, subfield 2 issue. It seems that unwanted 6XX\_7 are being allowed and this is contrary to previous agreements. There is agreement to go back to the previous practice of dis-allowing \_7 through the OCLC holdings libraries value tables in Advanced System Access and Administration. Stephen will change values in these load tables, Priya will clean up 650\_7s (except for NASA headings which the State Library needs and also |2 with gsaft and lcsh) by September 1, 2009. The records will be sent to LTI on schedule this month and the 6XX clean will become part of the regular routine. It is possible that records added in batch loads will still come through since they would bypass the OCLC holding library tables that Stephen edits. Going forward, if we want a 2<sup>nd</sup> indicator 7 it will need to be added manually in CONSULS—it will be stripped out when loaded from OCLC.
2. CONSULS/LTI is managing the obsolescence of 440 fields. Records with 490\_0 are changed to 490\_1 and an 8XX field is generated. If the 8XX field is not linked to an authorized heading, it will revert to a 490\_0. Although it is not required that 440s be changed to 490s—they can both appear in the catalog—it makes sense that for our next annual load we have the 440s updated to 490\_1/830s. We may receive a larger file back because many more headings will be authorized. Going forward, we should avoid using 440s, but those that appear in older records will be stripped out during the next annual update.
3. It was observed that currently the 155 genre headings are coming over and being indexed as subject headings. In the future it will be possible to isolate them for inclusion in a separate genre index.
4. There was discussion about the impending URL change from csulib.ctstateu.edu to CONSULS.org. Stephen will globally update the 856 fields in item records. Individual libraries must update the 866 fields in check-in records. Web page editors have been informed at each campus and changes have been or will be made; the journal locators will need to be updated at the administrator “preferences” or “settings” levels. It appears that CONSULS is ready for this change and no ill effects are expected.
5. It was agreed that the best way to meet the goal of establishing a guide with CONSULS-wide cataloging agreements will be to use web technology such as a WIKI as a gathering place for policies and a discussion forum. Stephen will contact Ed about setting something up. Cindy will outline general areas to be included and begin to write existing protocols for group editing. Additionally, the group agreed that another goal for this year will be to evaluate and review our indexes and propose to the directors that new indexes be purchased—including a genre index.
6. There was a discussion about book jackets appearing in the catalog. The consensus was that cover art should not direct users out of the catalog to a vendor site such as Amazon. Furthermore, if a feature that included cover art was to be purchased as a III add-on, it should not take precedence over other “available for a fee” features that have been requested such as

additional indexes. Links to ebooks often do include cover art as a vehicle for showing that the e-product is identical to the paper product. There was not strong support for cover art appearing in an academic library catalog.

7. Jackie Toce announced that she is the new SCSU representative to the CONSULS Systems Group; replacing Este Pope.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15.