

To: ALA/ALCTS/CaMMS Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access

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Subject: Report on JSC Meeting, November 3-7, 2014, and on other JSC activities
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The following report on the November 3-7, 2014 meeting of the Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA is based on my own notes, John Attig's blog entries for each day (<http://sites.psu.edu/jscblog/>), and the JSC's "Outcomes of the 2014 JSC Meeting" (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/2014JSCmeetingoutcomes.html>). For specifics about what changes will be made to RDA, only documents originating from the JSC itself should be considered authoritative. These include the ".../Sec final" versions of the proposals and the minutes of the 2014 JSC meeting (which should be available within several months).

See the end of the report for a list of follow-up actions for ALA.

The agenda for the meeting, as well as copies of the documents under discussion, are available at <http://www.rda-jsc.org/working1.html>

The Joint Steering Committee members present were:

Gordon Dunsire, JSC Chair
Judy Kuhagen, JSC Secretary
Alan Danskin, British Library
Kathy Glennan, American Library Association
Galen Jones, CILIP [attended virtually]
Bill Leonard, Canadian Committee on Cataloguing
Ebe Kartus, Australian Committee on Cataloguing
Susanne Oehlschläger, Deutsche Nationalbibliothek
Dave Reser, Library of Congress

ALA Publishing, represented at the meeting by James Hennelly, hosted the meeting at the American Library Association Washington Office. Ten additional observers attended the public sessions of the meeting, and in some cases they led the JSC discussion of specific papers in their areas of expertise. As always, I am indebted to John Attig for his support before, during, and after the JSC meeting.

Summary of the JSC meeting

GENERAL

The JSC agreed to extend Gordon Dunsire's term as JSC Chair for a second two-year term, from 2016-2018.

The JSC has tentatively set its next meeting for the first week in November 2015, in Edinburgh, Scotland. Meeting in Europe will allow for outreach to various international organizations, including the ISSN International Centre and the ISBD Review Group. The JSC meeting may be held in conjunction with a full-day seminar on RDA.

JSC GOVERNANCE DISCUSSION

The JSC spent a significant part of the first day brainstorming on the questions raised by the Committee of Principals (CoP) about potential changes to the JSC governance structure and the four RDA strategic priorities for 2015-2020. The CoP is especially interested in broader representation on the JSC: from international users, from the wider cultural sector, and from those working with linked data. See the discussion document at http://www.rdatoolkit.org/sites/default/files/rda_governance_review.pdf for more information. The CoP will meet this spring to consider all comments received from stakeholders, including the response sent by CC:DA (<http://alcts.ala.org/ccdablog/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/chair2014201501.pdf>). The outcomes of that meeting will include timescales for transition and implementation of changes to JSC representation.

ALA PUBLISHING

- ALA Publishing expects to have 4 releases of the RDA Toolkit in 2015; the changes arising from the JSC 2014 meeting will appear in April.
- Print RDA has moved from loose-leaf to paperback format due to the large number of pages affected by each year's changes to RDA.
- The JSC website will soon have a new look; it's moving to a Drupal platform. This will enable better navigation and searching than the current site.

EXAMPLES

The JSC discussed the following issues raised by the JSC Examples Editor (Kate James, LC):

- *Updating the complete examples PDF files that are linked from the RDA Toolkit Tools tab:* The JSC decided that these examples should be updated annually to reflect changes made in RDA and recommended that the publication of the revised examples coincide as closely as possible with the April Update to the RDA Toolkit. The Examples Editor will explore additional ways of presenting complete examples, such as linked data, UNIMARC, etc.
- *Additions, revisions, and deletions of RDA examples:* The JSC agreed that the Examples Editor is the final arbiter of the RDA examples. Proposed changes to examples will no longer need to be part of the JSC's Fast Track procedures; instead they should be sent directly to the Examples Editor. Future JSC proposals should still

include suggested examples. However, they will be considered illustrative in nature and may or may not be the final ones included in the RDA text.

- *Number and diversity of examples:* The JSC confirmed that the text should include sufficient examples to illustrate the application of the instructions, and that the examples should provide a diversity of languages, national context, and gender ratio. The number of contextual examples may be reduced if the remaining examples still cover the provisions of the instruction.
- *RDA Examples Guide:* The JSC approved this document with minor modifications. It will be an appendix to the *RDA Editor's Guide* and will be posted on the JSC website.

RDA TOOLKIT: STRUCTURE AND CONTENT

With the greater adoption of RDA has come a growing recognition of structure and content issues related to the RDA Toolkit. These include:

- Duplication of content (e.g., scope statements in the text duplicated in the Glossary);
- Portions of RDA are behind a paywall, such as the instructions themselves, while other parts are freely available (e.g., RDA Registry);
- Challenges in maintaining sequential numbering of the instructions as they continue to evolve;
- Status of the appendices (e.g., which ones are integrated into the instructions and which are optional);
- Accuracy and usefulness of the Element set view;
- Accessibility of partial translations of RDA, which are not currently integrated into the Toolkit;
- An interest in alternative views of the instructions that better parallel the underlying models;
- Potential significant changes needed as a result of the project to develop a consolidated FR model. This work is still in progress by IFLA, and a world-wide review is anticipated within the next two years.

The JSC kept these issues in mind when making decisions about how to proceed with the proposals and discussion papers discussed during the November meeting. For example, until we know the extent of changes that will be required to align RDA with a new FR consolidated model, the JSC decided that it would be better to create a reference when moving an instruction from one chapter to another, rather than removing that instruction entirely and renumbering the rest of the chapter.

PROPOSALS

6JSC/ALA/27: Revision of RDA 2.12.9.2 and 2.12.17.2: Source of numbering within series and subseries

This proposal to modify 2.12.9.2 and 2.12.17.2 to permit taking numbering within series and subseries from any source was accepted as submitted.

6JSC/ALA/28: Creating a priority order for Sources of Information in Date of Manufacture element (RDA 2.10.6.2)

The proposal was accepted as submitted.

6JSC/ALA/29: Clarifying core element status for “not identified” elements in the Distribution and Manufacture Statements (RDA 2.9 and 2.10)

In response to this proposal to eliminate the “cascading vortex of horror”, the JSC decided to:

- Remove the conditional core status of: Distribution Statement and its sub-elements, Manufacture Statement and its sub-elements, and Copyright Date.
- Create specific sub-instructions for unknown place under the Production, Publication, Distribution and Manufacture statements. Because the place of distribution and manufacture are no longer core under any circumstances, an alternative to omit recording “place of distribution not identified” is not needed.

For a working version of the revised proposal, showing the changes suggested during the JSC meeting, see 6JSC/ALA/29/rev (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/6JSC-ALA-29-rev.pdf>).

6JSC/ALA/30: Using the mark of omission when recording titles (RDA 6.2)

In this proposal, ALA recommended adding specific instructions to RDA 6.2 about using the mark of omission in preferred titles of works. The JSC disagreed with this approach; instead, a sentence will be added to 6.2.2.8 that refers to 2.3.1.4 – 2.3.1.6 (the instructions that address using a mark of omission, eliminating introductory words, etc.). The JSC also agreed to modify 3.1.4, 3rd exception, to include multipart monographs.

6JSC/ALA/31: Subject Relationship Element in RDA Chapter 23

ALA’s proposal sought to provide content to the placeholder Chapter 23 to define the relationship element Subject, along with supporting changes in other parts of RDA. The JSC:

- Generally accepted the ALA proposal, but did not approve the proposed relationship designators.
- Revised the definition of subject relationships.
- Created a new Appendix M instead of repurposing Appendix L. The new appendix will include relevant descriptive relationship designators, moved here from Appendix J as part of implementing the decisions on 6JSC/TechnicalWG/3.
- Changed the wording so that controlled terms will come from an “identifiable subject system” instead of an “authorized subject system”.

- Revised the definition of *unstructured description* to add “etc.”; this now can encompass keywords (which are mentioned in the new sub-instruction for *Description of the Subject of the Work*).

For a working version of the revised proposal reflecting changes arising from the JSC meeting, see 6JSC/ALA/31/rev (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/6JSC-ALA-31-rev.pdf>).

6JSC/ALA/32: Expanding the scope of Statement of Responsibility in RDA 2.4 and eliminating the instructions for Performers, Narrators, Presenters (RDA 7.23), and Artistic and/or Technical Credits (RDA 7.24)

The JSC generally accepted ALA’s proposal to delete RDA 7.23 (*Performer, Narrator, and/or Presenter*) and RDA 7.24 (*Artistic and/or Technical Credit*) in favor of consistently using RDA 2.4 (*Statement of Responsibility*) or RDA 2.17.3.5 (*Other Information Relating to a Statement of Responsibility*) for this information. RDA 7.23 and 7.24 will be changed to references, so the rest of the instructions in chapter 7 do not have to be renumbered. Relevant portions of chapter 2 will be updated, including:

- Adding examples to 2.4.2.3 (*Recording Statements of Responsibility Relating to Title Proper*) and 2.17.3.5.
- Adding a new paragraph to the end of 2.4.2.3 to refer to 2.17.3.
- Updating the 1st paragraph of 2.17.3.5 to allow for clarifying a role.

6JSC/ALA/33: Clarifying instructions for Sequences of Plates (RDA 3.4.5.9)

This proposal was supported in principle by the JSC, but with some significant differences from ALA’s suggested wording. The JSC decided to:

- Remove footnote text in 3.4.5.2 (*Single Volume with Numbered Pages, Leaves, or Columns*), explaining what constitutes a sequence of plates; that text will be incorporated into the 1st paragraph of the instruction instead.
- Replace 3.4.5.9, *Leaves or Pages of Plates*, with new text – including the creation of two new sub-instructions, one for numbered sequences and the other for unnumbered sequences.
- Add text that specifically addresses:
 - Plates that are lettered inclusively.
 - Plates that are numbered in words.
 - How to record unnumbered leaves or pages of plates.
- Modify Glossary entry for plate.

For a working version of the revised proposal showing these changes, see 6JSC/ALA/33/rev (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/6JSC-ALA-33-rev.pdf>).

6JSC/ALA/34: Eliminating the instructions for Date of Expression of a Religious Work (RDA 6.24) and modifying the instructions for Authorized Access Point Representing an Expression of the Bible (RDA 6.30.3.2)

ALA's proposal suggested that there were no significant differences between RDA 6.24 (*Date of Expression of a Religious Work*) and RDA 6.10 (*Date of Expression*) and thus recommended removing RDA 6.24. In addition, changes were proposed to the related instructions for access points. In general, the JSC agreed with the proposal and decided to:

- Add a paragraph to 6.10 about what to do when neither the earliest date of expression nor manifestation can be determined but the date would still be useful to differentiate expressions.
- Remove 6.24.1.4 (*The Bible and Parts of the Bible*), but keep the rest of 6.24.1 as a placeholder for any future exceptional practices needed for Date of Expression of a Religious Work.
- Adjust the first paragraph of 6.30.3.2 (*Authorized Access Point Representing an Expression of the Bible*) and remove the rest. The instructions about creating additional access points for multiple language expressions and multiple versions are not appropriate in an instruction for "a particular expression".

For a working version of the revised proposal showing the changes agreed upon at the JSC meeting, see 6JSC/ALA/34/rev (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/6JSC-ALA-34-rev.pdf>).

6JSC/ALA/35: Creating instructions for using nominative case for titles (RDA 6.2), names (RDA 8.5), and places (RDA 16.2)

This proposal suggested new instructions that would explicitly state that titles, names of persons, families, and corporate bodies, and names of places should be recorded in the nominative case. While ALA's concerns were acknowledged, there was no support from the JSC either for the original proposal or for an alternative approach to add a more general instruction about preferring nominative case (when appropriate).

6JSC/ALA/36: Clarifying instructions for Recording Duration (RDA 7.22) and Note on Carrier (RDA 3.21)

ALA's proposal recommended changes to RDA 7.22 (*Duration*) and modifications to RDA 3.21 (*Note on Carrier*). The JSC did not agree to change RDA 3.21, due to the expected impact of the future proposal from CC:DA's Task Force on Machine-Actionable Data. However, the JSC did agree to revise RDA 7.22 as follows:

- Modify the scope statement for duration in 7.22.1.1 and make the corresponding change to the Glossary definition.
- Replace 7.22.1.3 (*Playing Time, Running Time, Etc.*) and 7.22.1.4 (*Performance Time*) with a single instruction about recording duration.
- Renumber, rename and update the current 7.22.1.5 (will become 7.22.1.4, *Duration of Component Parts*). Add an alternative to record the individual durations and/or the total duration.

- Create a new sub-instruction, 7.22.1.5, *Details of Duration*.
- Delete 7.22.1.6, *Resource Containing both Sound and/or Moving Images and Text, Still Images, Etc.*

For a working version of the revised proposal with the agreed-upon changes, see 6JSC/ALA/36/rev (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/6JSC-ALA-36-rev.pdf>).

6JSC/ALA/Discussion/4: Transcription issues associated with the Production Statement (RDA 2.7)

ALA's discussion paper argued for recording Production Statements, instead of transcribing them, since many unpublished resources do not contain identifying information about their production. During the discussion, the JSC recommended that instead of making a record vs. transcribe decision based on whether the resource is unpublished, it would be better to make a distinction between self-identifying and non-self-identifying resources. It was noted that this distinction also applies to the title and statement of responsibility.

This discussion paper is closely related to 6JSC/BL rep/1, and the next steps may be dependent on actions related to that paper.

Additionally, the ALA paper noted the inconsistent use of the term "record" in various Chapter 2 sub-instructions, when "transcribe" is really meant. The JSC asked ALA to follow-up on this concern in 2015, by reviewing this problem in greater detail and making general suggestions for clarity, focusing on a particular subset of instructions.

6JSC/BL/15/rev: Revision of 0.6 Core Elements

This proposal sought to clarify RDA 0.6 and to reduce duplication of core element lists in RDA. While the JSC believes that information regarding core element requirements should be documented in an application profile instead of in the RDA text, such a profile does not currently exist. Thus, the JSC agreed to the following:

- Restructure 0.6, following the BL proposal, but retain the current complete core element list in Chapter 0.
- Replace the specific core element lists in Chapters 1, 5, 8, 17, 18, 24, and 29 with references to the appropriate sections of 0.6.

6JSC/BL/16: Merging 3.6.1.3 Recording Base Material and 3.6.2 Base Material for Microfilm Microfiche, Photographic Film, and Motion Picture Film

The JSC accepted this proposal to merge the instructions at 3.6.1.3, *Recording Base Material* and 3.6.2, *Base Materials for Microfilm, Microfiche, Photographic Film, and Motion Picture Film*. Missing definitions will be added to the Glossary.

6JSC/BL/17: Changes to Appendix D.0 and D.1.3.1

The JSC agreed to clarify the scope of Appendix D and to replace guidelines on multilevel description with a reference to ISBD Appendix A. Ultimately the ISBD specifications should be replaced by links to the *ISBD Consolidated* text instead.

6JSC/BL/18: "Between", "Before" and "After" dates (Revision of RDA 9.3.1.3)

The JSC decided to defer consideration of this proposal to specify additional types of uncertain dates until after the consolidated FR model is available.

6JSC/BL/19: Post-nominal letters as Other Designation (Additional examples for RDA 9.6.1.9 and 9.19.1.7, and addition to Appendix E)

This proposal sought to clarify how to record letters following a name, such as abbreviations indicating qualifications or memberships. The JSC decided to follow the ALA suggestion to treat these in RDA 9.4.1.9, *Other Term of Rank, Honour, or Office*, which will have examples added. Some editorial changes will be made to both 9.4.1.9 and 9.4.1.1 to support this addition.

6JSC/BL/20: Priority order for additions to authorized access points representing a person (Revision of RDA 9.19)

The proposal suggested removing the priority order for additions to authorized access points representing a person, giving cataloguers the flexibility to apply their judgment. The JSC decided not to act on most of this proposal, recognizing that in the long run, instructions for constructing authorized access points should move to a yet-to-be-developed application profile. However, the JSC did agree to separate the instructions for *Period of Activity of the Person* from *Profession or Occupation* in 9.19.

6JSC/BL/21: Fictitious Families and Corporate Bodies (Revision of RDA 10.0, 10.3.1.3, 10.11.1.2, 11.0, 11.7.1.4, 11.13.1.2)

The JSC deferred action on this proposal because it is incompatible with the anticipated direction of the FR consolidated model as described in the CCC response. Agents (Persons, Families, and Corporate Bodies) will be limited to real-world entities. Fictitious, legendary or non-human entities represented with creative responsibility will be viewed as a bibliographic identity of the person who really is the creator.

6JSC/BL/22/rev: Place Associated with the Corporate Body (Revision of RDA 11.3.1, 11.13.1.3)

The JSC agreed to revise and rename 11.3.3, *Location of Headquarters*, to *Other Place Associated with the Corporate Body*. This instruction will apply to any place associated with the corporate body (country, province, local place, etc.), unless it is the location of a conference (in which case 11.3.2, *Location of Conference, Etc.*, will apply).

6JSC/BL/23: Field of Activity of the Corporate Body (Revision of RDA 11.10.1.3)

This proposal, which clarified that Field of Activity of the Corporate Body is recorded using a term indicating the field, instead of an explanatory note, was approved with minor modifications.

6JSC/BL/24: Full name as addition to Initialism or Acronym in Access Points for Corporate Bodies (Revision of RDA 11.13.1.2)

This BL proposal suggested allowing for the fullest variant name of a corporate body to be used as an addition to an initialism or acronym used in an authorized or variant access point. The JSC agreed in principle, opting to implement the changes as proposed in the LC response:

- An exception will be added to 11.7.1.6, *Other Designation*, to record a suitable designation for the purposes of disambiguation if “type of corporate body” is not recorded.
- A paragraph will be added to 11.13.1.1, *General Guidelines on Construction Authorized Access Points to Represent Corporate Bodies*, to address how to construct authorized access points when dealing with a corporate body whose name does not convey the idea of a corporate body.
- Because this is added to 11.13.1.1, the final sentence in 11.13.1.2 (which addresses the same topic in less detail) will be deleted.

6JSC/BL rep/1: Simplification of RDA 2.7-2.10

This discussion paper raised questions about the value of continuing to construct aggregated statements for publication, distribution and manufacture information. An alternative approach could be to simply transcribe what is on the resource and to record the relationships in the sub-elements for Place, Name, and Date. The JSC acknowledged that related issues will arise in the FR consolidation, with the anticipated new entities for Place and Time-Span.

The JSC observed that RDA needs to be more consistent throughout about the four ways to record relationships: as identifiers, as authorized access points, as structured descriptions, and as unstructured descriptions. Some of these issues were referred to the JSC Technical Working Group for further investigation. As a follow-up, BL will prepare a proposal for 2015.

6JSC/CCC/15: Add instructions to supply terms indicating the function recorded under the optional addition provisions at 2.7.4.4, 2.8.4.4, 2.9.4.4 or 2.10.4.4, in a language and script preferred by the cataloguing agency

This proposal sought to provide explicit instructions for the language used when a cataloger supplies a statement of function of the producer, publisher, distributor or manufacturer. Instead of the approach taken in the proposal, the JSC agreed to consider a fast track proposal to update a paragraph in RDA 1.4 (*Language and Script*), which will clarify the distinction between supplying an element and supplying information as part of an element. This will be part of the February RDA Toolkit release. Other aspects of this proposal will be folded in to a 2015 BL proposal (along with the follow-up to 6JSC/BL rep/1).

6JSC/CCC/Discussion/1: Internationalization and RDA Appendix A Capitalization

This CCC discussion paper focused on issues arising from having English-centric instructions in Appendix A. While the current appendix functions perfectly well in English, the arrangement and instructions are problematic for the various translation teams. To

address these concerns, the JSC agreed to set up a working group to analyze the situation and to recommend specific solutions, keeping both internationalization and translation needs in mind.

6JSC/Chair/15/rev/2: Revision to 6.2.2.10 (Recording the Preferred Title for a Compilation of Works of One Person, Family, or Corporate Body) and 6.2.2.4 (Works created after 1599) -- National Library of New Zealand

The National Library of New Zealand proposed some changes in the instructions related to compilations. The JSC had already agreed to instigate an investigation of issues related to the description of aggregates. Action on this proposal was deferred pending the results of that investigation. A number of minor revisions contained in various constituency responses to the proposal will be handled as Fast Track proposals.

6JSC/CILIP/4: Colour content in RDA

This CILIP proposal recommended a complete replacement of RDA 7.17, *Colour Content*. The JSC agreed with the bulk of this proposal, making some modifications. The result:

- The primary instruction will be to record “monochrome” or “polychrome”, although substitute vocabularies may be used instead.
- Elimination of the following format-specific instructions and their related Glossary definitions:
 - 7.17.2, Colour of Still Image
 - 7.17.3, Colour of Moving Image
 - 7.17.4, Colour of Three-Dimensional Form
 - 7.17.5, Colour Content of Resource Designed for Persons with Visual Impairments
- Creation of three new Glossary definitions:
 - Colour Content*: The presence of colour, tone, etc., in the content of a resource.
 - Monochrome*: Colour content consisting of tones of one colour, or black and white, or black or white and another colour.
 - Polychrome*: Colour content consisting of two colours (neither of which is black or white) or more than two colours.

6JSC/DNB/Discussion/2: Mixture of work level and manifestation level in RDA 2.3.2.6 (Collective Title and Titles of Individual Contents), Optional Additions

This paper identified conceptual problems with the optional additions in RDA 2.3.2.6, *Collective Title and Titles of Individual Contents*, noting that the reference to recording the titles of the individual contents as titles of related works is not appropriate in a chapter about manifestations. The JSC agreed to address this situation by making the following changes in both 2.3.2.6.1 (*Comprehensive Description*) and 2.3.2.6.2 (*Analytical Description*), while also noting that this situation raises additional questions about how to deal with aggregates:

- Deleting the optional additions, instead adding a paragraph that refers to 25.1 (*Related Work*).

- Adding a paragraph about recording the titles not chosen as the title proper in both of those sub-instructions.

6JSC/DNB/Discussion/3: Hidden relationships in attributes (examples: RDA 9.4.1.4.2, 9.13, 10.6, 11.3, 16.2.2)

The paper observed that there are a number of RDA attributes that might more usefully be presented as relationships. It was noted that is in line with the FR consolidation which plans to define fewer attributes and more relationships. In addition, the distinction between attributes and relationships disappears when viewed from a linked-data perspective: an attribute is simply a relationship that terminates in a text string rather than a URI. The paper was referred to the JSC Technical Working Group for further exploration in 2015.

6JSC/ISSN/4: Major and minor title changes for serials in languages which do not divide text into words: proposal for new wordings and instructions

With this proposal, the ISSN International Centre informed the JSC of upcoming changes to guidelines in the *ISSN Manual* about how to apply the “first five words” instruction to languages that do not divide text into words (e.g., Chinese, Japanese, Thai). The JSC agreed to make changes based on the LC response:

- Revising RDA 2.3.2.13.1 (*Major Changes*)
- Creating a new sub-instruction, *Languages and Scripts That Divide Text into Words*
- Modifying the text in 2.3.2.13.2 (*Minor Changes*) to better accommodate such languages.

6JSC/ISSN/5: Change in mode of issuance for online resources: proposal for a revised instruction

The JSC deferred action on this proposal until after the related changes have been made in the *ISSN Manual*.

As a result of these two ISSN proposals, the JSC will look to establish a protocol with the ISSN Network to support the maintenance and development of functional interoperability between ISSN documentation and RDA.

6JSC/LC/27: Revision to RDA 16.2.2.8 (Place Names for Jurisdictions)

This proposed revision to 16.2.2.8 (*Place Names for Jurisdictions*) clarifies the relationships between the three different RDA instructions that mention “type of jurisdiction” (16.2.2.8, 11.7.1.5 and 11.13.1.6). The JSC accepted the proposal as written.

6JSC/LC/28: Revision to RDA 2.4.1.8 (Noun Phrase Occurring with a Statement of Responsibility)

The JSC accepted version B of this proposal which contained additional language in 2.4.1.8 (*Noun Phrase Occurring with a Statement of Responsibility*) to clarify when a noun phrase should be part of the statement of responsibility vs. part of another element. In addition, a reference will be added from 2.3.4.3 (*Recording Other Title Information*) to 2.4.1.8.

6JSC/LC/29: Compilations of Works by Different Persons, Families, or Corporate Bodies (New 6.2.2.11)

The proposal was to add a new instruction at 6.2.2.11, *Recording the Preferred Title for a Compilation of Works by Different Persons, Families, or Corporate Bodies*, and to make minor changes to a number of other instructions. The JSC approved the following:

- The new instruction at 6.2.2.11.
- Rewording of 6.2.2.8 (*Recording the Preferred Title for a Work*), 6.27.1.4 (*Compilations of Works by Different Persons, Families, or Corporate Bodies*), 6.27.4.4 (*Variant Access Point Representing a Compilation of Works*).
- A revised definition of “collective title” in the Glossary.

The JSC also agreed to change the Chapter 6 phrase “by which a work is known” to “by which a work is commonly identified”. This decision has implications for other Chapter 6 instructions, including those addressed in 6JSC/LC/30 and 6JSC/MusicWG/6.

6JSC/LC/30: Works without titles

This proposal took a close look at gaps in RDA 6.2.2 (*Preferred Title for the Work*). The JSC agreed to:

- Adjust 6.2.2.2 (*Sources of Information*) and 6.2.2.3 (*General Guidelines on Choosing the Preferred Title*); the changes should not affect the application of these instructions.
- Revise 6.2.2.4 (*Works Created after 1500*) to update the language per 6JSC/LC/29 and to add appropriate instruction references.
- Modify 6.2.2.5 (*Works Created before 1501*) to:
 - Move the second exception (*Anonymous Works Written Neither in Greek nor in a Preferred Script of the Agency*) to the new 6.2.2.7 (*Titles Found in a Non-Preferred Script*);
 - Update the language related to other approved changes;
 - Add appropriate instruction references.
- Delete the current 6.2.2.6, *Cycles and Stories with Many Versions*. These types of works will not need special instructions given the other approved changes to this chapter.
- Create a new instruction, *Titles in the Original Language Not Found or Not Applicable*, as the new 6.2.2.6. This will have two sub-instructions: *Titles from Reference Sources* and *Devised Titles*. This new instruction obviates the need for special instructions for categories of works that often don’t have titles (manuscripts, art, choreography), although these kinds of works will be represented in examples. An alternative will likely be retained for naming works embodied in manuscripts by their repository designation.
- Delete the current 6.2.2.7, *Manuscripts and Manuscript Groups*.
- Create an instruction for *Titles Found in a Non-Preferred Script*, as the new 6.2.2.7. This placement keeps it with the other instructions for choosing the preferred title.

- Relocate the instruction about not considering an alternative title as part of the preferred title from 6.2.2.4 (*Works Created after 1500*) to 6.2.2.8 (*Recording the Preferred Title for a Work*).
- Update examples throughout Chapter 6 as appropriate.

6JSC/LC/31: Revisions to instructions on Parts of the Bible (6.23.2.9.2–6.23.2.9.5 and 6.23.2.9.7)

The JSC generally agreed with this proposal, which sought to provide greater flexibility in naming individual books and groups of books in the Bible. To achieve this, the specific list currently in 6.23.2.9.3 (*Groups of Books*) will be moved to a resource that will be created for the RDA Toolkit Tools tab. This Tools tab resource will also contain a list of the titles of individual books of the Bible; this will allow different communities to use different Bible versions and/or translations as the source of the title (Authorized Version, Douai, Luther, etc.). In addition, the JSC agreed that the preferred title of individual books from the Apocrypha should be recorded directly as a subdivision of Bible (without the intermediate subdivision of *Apocrypha*). This may also apply to deuterocanonical books; the JSC still must decide this question as part of finalizing the text for the April Update of the RDA Toolkit. Finally, other instructions in 6.23 have been revised for clarity, and an alternative for using different forms of numbering when recording a selection from a specific chapter of the Bible will be added. Examples will be updated throughout this section of 6.23 to illustrate the changes.

6JSC/MusicWG/4: Revision proposal for RDA 6.28.3, Authorized Access Point Representing a Musical Expression

As a result of this proposal, the JSC agreed to the following:

- Revise 6.18.1.4 (*Arrangements, Transcriptions, Etc.*) for clarity.
- Create an exception for instructions currently in 6.18.1.4.1 (*Arrangements, Etc. in the "Popular" Idiom*) and remove that sub-instruction.
- Remove RDA 6.28.3.2–6.28.3.6 because their equivalent instructions are already in 6.18.
- Modify the rest of RDA 6.28.3 (*Authorized Access Point Representing a Musical Expression*) accordingly.
- Update examples and make minor revisions to other parts of Chapter 6 to support these changes.

6JSC/MusicWG/5: Revision proposal for RDA 3.4.3.2 and RDA 3.21.2.5

The proposal dealt with two instructions on recording the extent of a resource consisting of a score and one or more parts, or of multiple parts, in a single physical unit. The JSC agreed to update the 2nd exception in 3.4.3.2 (*Recording Extent of Notated Music*) to cover multiple parts issued in a single physical unit. A similar expansion of scope will be added in 3.21.2.5, which will be renamed to *Score and One or More Parts, or Multiple Parts in a Single Physical Unit*.

6JSC/MusicWG/6: Revision proposal for choosing and recording preferred titles for music in RDA 6.14.2.3–6.14.2.6

The JSC generally supported this proposal, to reorganize the instructions on choosing and recording preferred titles for music. The approved changes include:

- Modifying the language throughout these instructions, based on the changes agreed upon in 6JSC/LC/29 and 6JSC/LC/30.
- Changing to 6.14.2.3, *Choosing the Preferred Title for a Musical Work* by:
 - Removing the exceptions (*Better known title in the same language*; *Long titles*).
 - Moving the *Numbered sequence* exception to the new instruction for *Recording the Preferred Title for an Individual Musical Work*.
 - Adding a paragraph about how to choose the preferred title if there is no title in the original language.
- Moving the omissions paragraphs from 6.14.2.4 to a new sub-instruction specifically entitled *Omissions*, with some modifications. The examples will be significantly restructured.
- Expanding the applicability of the exception for works called *étude*, *fantasia*, or *sinfonia concertante*; this will apply whether or not the works are intended for concert performance.
- Deleting 6.14.2.6, *Duets*.

6JSC/MusicWG/7: Revision proposal for RDA 6.2.1.9, 6.14.2.7.1, Appendix B.3: Abbreviation for the part designation Number or its equivalent in another language

The JSC accepted this proposal with minor modifications. The changes reflect current practice and affect only the abbreviation for the word *Number* (or its equivalent in another language) in the designation of a part of a musical work.

6JSC/MusicWG/8: Revision proposal for conventional collective titles in RDA 6.14.2.8 and Glossary definitions for conventional collective titles and the term *Type of Composition*

This proposal recommended removing some lists of terms used in the construction of conventional collective titles in favor of using external vocabularies. The JSC accepted the proposal with a number of modifications from constituency responses. The outcome will include:

- Retitling 6.14.2.8, *Compilations of Musical Works*, to *Compilation of Musical Works by One Composer*. This renamed instruction will be renumbered to 6.14.2.7.
- Combining the current 6.14.2.8.3 and 6.14.2.8.4 into a single instruction, *Complete Works for One Broad or Specific Medium*.
- Minor rewording in various instructions for clarity.
- Reworking of the Glossary entry for *Type of Composition*, and the removal of the entries representing conventional collective titles for music (*Brass Music*, *Quartets*, etc.).

The revisions agreed upon in 6JSC/LC/29 and 6JSC/LC/30 to the general instructions in 6.2.2 will also be added to the special instructions for musical works in 6.14.2, as needed.

6JSC/MusicWG/9: Additional terms for Base Material in RDA 3.6.1.3 and Applied Material in RDA 3.7.1.3

The issues raised in this proposal were dealt with as part of the changes arising from 6JSC/BL/16.

6JSC/ROFWG/1: Proposals for a namespace for the Framework

Building on the RDA/ONIX Framework for Resource Categorization (ROF), this paper proposed that the JSC obtain a namespace for the Framework and create a registry of the ROF attributes and values. This would support mapping to the RDA elements, as well as to other categorization structures such as ISBD Area 0. The JSC referred these recommendations to the RDA Development Team for action.

6JSC/ROFWG/2: JSC recommendations for extension and revision of the Framework

The mapping of the RDA Content Type, Media Type, and Carrier Type elements to the RDA/ONIX Framework had revealed a number of problems that required revision or extension of the Framework. Further, proposals for new values for the three RDA elements had presented the need to evaluate the mapping of these new values to the Framework. This paper presented technical solutions to the problems, thus enabling the JSC to proceed with the addition of new values. The JSC asked the Working Group to undertake as a new task the preparation of guidelines for proposing new terms and assuring appropriate mapping to the Framework.

6JSC/TechnicalWG/1: Meta-metadata elements in RDA

The paper identified a number of RDA meta-metadata elements, including *Cataloguer's Note*, *Source Consulted*, and *Status of Identification*. During the November meeting, the JSC agreed to the structural changes; determining the final definition of these elements is still a work in progress.

6JSC/TechnicalWG/2: Note and related elements in RDA

This paper sought to clarify the distinction between the RDA elements "Details of" and "Notes on". The first three recommendations were accepted. The JSC discussed definitions and labels in relation to the remaining two recommendations, which were accepted in principle.

6JSC/TechnicalWG/3: High-level subject relationship in RDA

The paper, closely related to 6JSC/ALA/31, presented a series of recommendations dealing with technical issues related to adding the new "subject" relationship in RDA. With the move of the Appendix J descriptive relationship designators to the new Appendix M, there will be a need to develop new attributions, relationships and relationship designators for the non-subject relationship between a resource and a work, expression, manifestation, or item that contains a citation to the resource. (These would reflect the current use of the MARC 510 Field, *Citation/References Note*.) ALA expressed willingness to develop a proposal for 2015.

6JSC/TechnicalWG/4: Court and Jurisdiction in RDA

The paper attempted to disambiguate the uses of the term “Jurisdiction” in RDA in order to distinguish between the place governed and the governing body. The current use largely carried over from AACR2 and strongly reflects Anglo-American usage. The paper proposed to limit the term “Jurisdiction” to the place and to find other terms for referring to various types of corporate bodies. There was no consensus on the recommendations presented, and several JSC constituencies representing non-English-language implementations of RDA agreed to work together to investigate the problem further.

Other JSC Activities, July-December 2014

- Approved 234 corrections/minor revisions of instructions and/or examples, 25 new and 89 revised relationship designators and their definitions; and 10 revised glossary definitions.
- Received training on the new content management system and authoring tools
- Responded to questions about potential changes in instruction wording to provide greater clarity and/or consistency.

Follow-up Actions for ALA

The following list identifies work for ALA arising from the 2014 JSC meeting.

1. Develop proposal to add the “reference to published citation” element at each WEMI level; also develop a set of designators that relate WEMI to the Work or Expression containing the citation. (Follow-up on 6JSC/TechnicalWG/3, recommendations 3-4).

Action to date: referred to RBMS.

2. Review the use of “transcribe” and “record” in Chapter 2 and make general suggestions for clarity. This will not be a formal proposal. (Follow-up on 6JSC/ALA/Discussion/4)

Responsibility: ALA JSC Representative (with others?)

Action to date: Determined that it is not possible to get a report about the usage of these terms from the content management system.

3. Prepare a proposal to rework the instructions for unpublished resources, differentiating between self-describing and non-self-describing resources. (Follow-up on 6JSC/ALA/Discussion/4)

Potential dependency: follow-up work by BL on 6JSC/BL rep/1.

Previous ALA commitments, still pending:

Follow-up proposals from:

- Task Force on Machine-Actionable Data Elements in RDA Chapter 3
- Task Force to Investigate the Instructions for Recording Relationships in RDA
- Task Force on Relationship Designators in RDA Appendix K