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The following is a list of reports and activities that have been carried out by the PCC since ALA Midwinter in Boston in January 2016.

Several groups are working on items from the PCC Strategic Directions 2015-2017. More information about each group, including its charge, is available from the PCC web page: www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/

- The PCC Linked Data Advisory Committee was appointed in spring 2016 to advise the PCC on specific issues and questions regarding the transition from creating traditional (MARC-based) bibliographic data to linked data. Steven Folsom is the chair.
- The Task Group on URIs in MARC has been working to identify policy issues surrounding the use of identifiers in MARC records, develop guidelines for including identifiers in MARC records, and develop a work plan for the implementation of identifiers in $0 and other fields/subfields in member catalogs and PCC-affiliated utilities. Jackie Shieh is the chair.
- The Task Group on Identity Management in NACO was appointed in spring 2016 to address strategic direction 3, “provide leadership for the shift in authority control from an approach based on creating text strings to one focused on managing identities and entities.” John Riemer is the chair.

Standing Committee on Standards (SCS) Co-chairs: Chiat Naun Chew and Ed Jones

Accomplishments:

- Drafted the PCC response for the FRBR-LRM worldwide review
- Vetted and approved an updated version of the PCC Guidelines for Creating Bibliographic Records in Multiple Character Sets
- Reviewed changes to the BSR and CSR to incorporate DCRM(C) practice and revisions to PSs
- Shared a proposal on language expressions with the PCC Operations Committee
- Provided input to the RSC Relationship Designators Working Group
- Appointed a task group to produce a white paper on the issues surrounding the identification of work entities
- Approved several changes to PSs relating to series
  - 2.3.1.7 Monographic series/multipart monograph: Title lacking or dependent title
  - 2.12 Supplements and special numbers to serials
  - 6.27 Main series and subseries

Current Activities:

- Continuing to review relationship designator proposals, although none can currently be forwarded to the RSC due to the moratorium
- Continuing work on the proposal on language expressions
- A revised proposal giving the option to record Creative Commons statements in MARC 540 has been circulated to CONSERlist for comment
• Addressing outstanding policy issues raised by the Relationship Designator Guidelines for Authority Records
• Reviewing guidelines for Provider-neutral e-resources and provider-neutral vendors
• Reviewing the PS for 2.12 for possible additional changes to section on supplements and special numbers to series
• Reviewing PSs for corporate bodies that have resumed an earlier name

Standing Committee on Training (SCT) Co-chairs: Robert Maxwell and George Prager

Series Policy Task Group

• This group has almost finished its review of series-related LC-PCC PS and sections of DCM Z1. Only minor series changes appeared in the April 2016 release of the RDA Toolkit. The group has submitted a small number of additional revisions that will appear in the August 2016 release of the RDA Toolkit (Series introduction, DCM Z1 380, 381, and 5XX fields; LC-PCC PS 6.3.1.3, 6.12.1.3). The Policy Group extensively discussed the treatment of bilingual or multilingual series (LC-PCC PS 6.27), but withdrew its recommendations, pending the completion of SCS’ work on a definitive LC-PCC for 6.27.3 (their report on AAPs for translations is part of this work).

RDA Series Training Manual

• A major revision of the May 2014 preliminary edition of the entire series training manual is nearly complete. Several revised sessions are already posted on the Catalogers Learning Workshop (CLW) web site and the remaining sessions should be completed soon. PowerPoint slides based on the manual are being developed.

Guidelines for use of 672 and 673 fields

• MARC 21 Authority fields 672 (Title related to the entity) and 673 (Title not related to the entity) were added to the MARC format in early 2013. SCT has completed guidelines for the use of these two fields, which are expected to be incorporated into the DCM Z1 manual in the August 2016 release of Cataloger’s Desktop.

Relationship Designators in Authority Records

• A joint SCS-SCT working group was formed in December 2015 to address remaining policy questions in the development of these guidelines and provided its report in April 2016. After exploration of some remaining issues, final editing of the guidelines is now in process, and they should be made publicly available not long after Annual.

Report on Available Linked Data Training Resources

• SCT submitted its Report on Available Linked Data Training Resources to the PCC Policy Committee in September 2015. To keep up to date and avoid duplicating work, SCT is collaborating with the Linked Data for Professional Education (LD4PE) project through its portal,
the Exploratorium. However, until a critical mass of data exists there, SCT is continuing to revise its own report, with the latest revision completed in April 2016. Melanie Wacker spoke about the SCT’s work on advancing the library community’s understanding of linked data at a June 2016 NISO virtual conference, BIBFRAME & Real World Applications of Linked Bibliographic Data.

RDA Refresher Training

• In December 2014, the PCC Secretariat conducted a survey of PCC libraries about types of refresher training that would be most useful. In a separate survey, the Library of Congress cataloging staff was also surveyed. Results of both surveys were similar. LC has recently completed refresher training on several cataloging topics (documents and videos), freely available from the CLW web site, from the page “RDA Refresher”, at http://www.loc.gov/catworkshop/RDA%20training%20materials/rda-refreshers.html. SCT will begin evaluating the LC training materials, and adapting them for PCC use (or simply linking to the LC materials in cases where no further adaption is necessary).

RDA Special Formats Training

• SCT conducted an environmental scan in 2015 of RDA special formats training materials freely available. SCT plans to mount this list on the CLW web site in summer 2016.

NACO Funnel Documentation Review

• A group was charged with identifying revisions needed to NACO Funnel web pages and documentation. A review of BIBCO, CONSER, and SACO Funnel documentation may follow.

Standing Committee on Automation (SCA)  Chair: Shana McDanold

SCA is investigating the issue of omitting ISBD punctuation from MARC records, following up on the report of the PCC ISBD and MARC Task Group from 2011. If the group’s recommendations are approved, SCA will create test sets of records (bibliographic and authority) for librarians and vendors to test and will prepare any necessary discussion papers for MAC.