

PCC Report for CC:DA at ALA Midwinter, Atlanta, January 2017

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The following is a list of reports and activities that have been carried out by the PCC since ALA Annual in Orlando in June 2016.

More information 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. Members are participating in various PCC groups, and the committee may prepare a white paper to help set the stage for the PCC's strategic planning session in November 2017.
- 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. The Task Group has two discussion papers on the MAC agenda at Midwinter and consulted with the British Library on one proposal.
- The Policy Committee approved in principle a proposal for PCC umbrella membership in ISNI. Specific details of ISNI membership require further exploration. A sub-group of PoCo members will explore the next steps.

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

- A proposal on authorized access points (AAPs) for translations was approved by the Policy Committee in November. In summary, existing expression authority records qualified only by subfield \$I will be regarded as undifferentiated. Catalogers may continue to create authority records for specific expressions but will no longer create undifferentiated authorities. A work authority will be required in all cases to support the AAP in the bibliographic record, and a language qualifier added to a work AAP in a bib record will not require a separate authority record. Some outstanding issues are still being resolved, and a MAC discussion paper will be drafted to propose extending the definition of MARC authority 008/32 to include undifferentiated expressions.
- The SCS/LDAC Task Group on the Work Entity is exploring use cases for the work entity and comparisons of the RDA work entity with those of other communities, such as FRBRoo, BIBFRAME, schema.org, and others.
- A Task Group on Supplements and Special Numbers to Serials was formed to explore and resolve problems with LC-PCC PS 2.12, which instructs to treat a supplement or a special number to a serial as a series, while other policy statements prescribe either series treatment or other methods, depending on the nature of the material and how it is to be used. Isabel Quintana is the chair.
- A NACO Consultation Board will be formed to monitor the PCC discussion list for questions and concerns, and either answer questions directly on the list or forward them to an appropriate PCC group.

- Approved several changes to LC-PCC PSs that were included in the August release of the RDA Toolkit. Highlights:
 - 2.7.2.6, 2.8.2.6, 2.9.2.6, & 2.10.2.6 (Place of Production/Publication/Distribution/Manufacture Not Identified in the Resource): revised to specify that if the place or probable place (of publication, etc.) has a name that has changed over time, supply the name in use at the time, if known.
 - 9.16.1.3 Recording Professions or Occupations: revised to document the practice of using terms without indication of the person's gender, nationality, religion, etc., and preferring gender-neutral terms to gender-specific terms when possible (e.g., Actor instead of Actress).
- Continuing to review relationship designator proposals, although none can currently be forwarded to the RSC due to the moratorium
- Reviewing guidelines for Provider-neutral e-resources and provider-neutral vendors
- Reviewing PS for 6.12.1.3, Recording Other Distinguishing Characteristics of Expressions (follow up from PCC Series Task Group)

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

Series Policy Task Group

- This group has finished its review of series-related LC-PCC PS and sections of DCM Z1. Only minor series changes appeared in the August 2016 release of the RDA Toolkit: Series introduction, DCM Z1 380 (Form of work) and 5XX fields; LC-PCC PS 6.3.1.3 (Recording form of work). The Policy Group is finalizing a proposed revision of the sections of LC-PCC PS 6.27 and 24.6 relating to One or several series authorized access point: language editions.

RDA Series Training Manual

- All the modules of the RDA Series manual have been revised, but several of the revisions have not yet been posted on the Catalogers' Learning Workshop (CLW) web site. SCT will continue to update the manual as needed. Bob Maxwell is developing PowerPoint slides based on the revised manual and on some earlier slides derived from the preliminary edition of the manual. All the sessions are available on the CLW web site at:
<http://www.loc.gov/catworkshop/courses/naco-full%20series-RDA/course%20table.html>

Relationship Designators in Authority Records

- Final editing of the guidelines is now in process, and any unresolved issues will be discussed at Midwinter. Any remaining issues that cannot be resolved will be listed in an appendix of the guidelines, along with dates of expected resolution. The guidelines should be made publicly available by early 2017. The major remaining issues concern Guideline 2a: Pre-approval of new relationship designators; Guideline 2b: Guidelines from non-RDA vocabularies; Guideline 12, Practice 2: Using relationship designators from Appendices I & K lines to relate jurisdictional corporate bodies (Practice 1, using \$w codes "a" and "b" has been approved); Guideline 16: Using relationship designators from Appendix M to express subject relationships.

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 and updated it in April 2016. To avoid duplicating work while keeping it up to date in the future, SCT is collaborating with the *Linked Data for Professional Education (LD4PE)* project through its portal, the Exploratorium; the plan is to rely as much as possible on the resources and competency index available from LD4PE. SCT is also exploring the use of tools such as ViewShare to create small groups of curated resources in those areas of linked data expertise important for libraries and not well represented by the Exploratorium (BIBFRAME, etc.).

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 early 2017.

NACO Funnel Documentation Review

- A group was charged with identifying revisions needed to NACO Funnel web pages and documentation. The group's initial reports identified inconsistencies and gaps in information relating to funnels, and these are currently being resolved. A review of BIBCO, CONSER, and SACO Funnel documentation may follow.

Aggregate Works

- Bob Maxwell is working on a white paper to identify outstanding issues related to aggregate works. Once his paper has been completed, a joint SCS-SCT task group will be formed to resolve any remaining issues, and to develop guidelines or best practices. Timeframe: early-mid 2017.

Future projects

- Assist Gary Strawn with a series of online demonstrations of his RDA Authority Toolkit; review of other PCC documentation (aside from funnel documentation); possibly develop training on IFLA LRM model.

Standing Committee on Automation (SCA) Chair: Ben Abrahamse

- SCA's charge and future were discussed at the November Policy Committee meeting. The charge is now being revised and the committee will be renamed.
- Continued work on omitting ISBD punctuation from MARC records (following up on the report of the PCC ISBD and MARC Task Group from 20111)
- Coordinated activities with the PCC Task Group on URIs in MARC