The following is a list of activities and reports carried out by the Program for Cooperative Cataloging since ALA Midwinter 2018.

Additional information is available from the PCC web page: www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/

The PCC approved new Strategic Directions for 2018-2021 after ALA Midwinter. Progress to date has primarily been in establishing new task groups to address action items:

- The PCC Task Group on Engagement and Broadening the PCC Community will investigate ways to broaden the scope of the PCC’s membership, skill base, and community of practice.
- The PCC Communication Board is a one-year pilot that aims to improve communication channels within the PCC. The Board will produce a quarterly bulletin with updates about PCC activities to be shared on the PCC list and website.
- The PCC Task Group on Legal Status will explore the idea of the PCC becoming a legally recognized entity that can act on its own.
- The PCC Task Group on Linked Data Best Practices will develop best practices for several issues relating to URIs in MARC records and areas identified by the PCC BIBFRAME Task Group.

The PCC Task Group on URIs in MARC released *Formulating and Obtaining URIs: A Guide to Commonly Used Vocabularies and Reference Sources*. This document was created in response to a widely expressed need for a reference source that would set out canonical URI forms for a range of data sources commonly used in bibliographic descriptions. It is available at: https://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/bibframe/TaskGroups/formulate_obtain_URI_guide.pdf

The PCC is continuing to investigate a possible transition to using limited ISBD punctuation in MARC 21 bibliographic records (see the report of the Standing Committee on Applications below). Record sets are now available to test how such records function within library systems. The test runs through July 1, 2018. Test records, a FAQ, and a survey link for feedback are available from the PCC web site at: http://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/documents/test-records-punctuation.html
Standing Committee on Applications (SCA) Chair: Ben Abrahamse

- In the *Et tu, Brute* category, the name of the Standing Committee on Automation has changed to become the *Standing Committee on Applications*. Additional information and detail including membership is available at: [http://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/sca/index.html](http://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/sca/index.html)
- Current focus of the Standing Committee on Applications = ISBD punctuation in MARC
  - Next steps include:
    - Generating additional feedback and community engagement
    - Exploring scripted solutions both in and beyond OCLC
- MARC Advisory Committee (MAC) papers:
  - Discussion paper 2018-DP01 (Subfield $i$ for relationship terms in Bib 6XX) received a decidedly lukewarm MAC reception at Midwinter; currently reconsidering our approach.
  - There are two upcoming Discussion Papers at this conference:
    - [Discussion Paper 2018-DP07](#) (Designating Sources for Names in the MARC 21 Bibliographic Format)
    - [Discussion Paper 2018-DP08](#) (Use of Field 024 to Capture URIs in the MARC 21 Authority Format)

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

Work in progress:

- The PCC SCS/LDAC Task Group on the Work Entity submitted a preliminary report to the PCC Policy Committee.
- Language expressions – PS 6.27.3 has been written and is under review by LC. Standing Committee on Standards will await further review before moving forward. Possible next steps include a MARC Discussion Paper and exploring the generation of work authority records via batch process.
- NACO Consultation Board – Awaiting next steps from the Library of Congress.
- PCC Task Group on Supplements and Special Numbers for Serials – Revised Policy Statement for 2.12 redrafted in response to LC comments, and now awaiting posting. Supplement and Special Issue Policy Statements for 0.0; 2.1; 2.3.17; 6.2.2.9.1; 6.27.2.2; 25.1.1.3; and 27.1.1.3 are in the final stages of preparation for submission.
- MARC Discussion Paper 2018-DP01 to define new subfield $i$ for 6XX submitted at Midwinter 2018. Standing Committee on Standards asked to consider re-submitting with revisions; SCS will consider for Midwinter 2019.
- Updating the Cataloging FAQs available at: [http://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/naco/faq.html](http://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/naco/faq.html).
• DCM Z1 updates – 64X field revisions are under review.

Other:

• SCS was briefed by Kathy Glennan and Dominique Bourassa on changes to the RDA governance structure at its Midwinter meeting, and on likely changes to RDA and Toolkit as a result of 3R.
• SCS compiled information on MARC authority fields awaiting implementation and has solicited an update from LC.
• SCS held an internal email discussion on the potential impact of linked data on NACO authority guidelines. Stephen Hearn will produce a summary.
• The SCS co-chairs were consulted on an OCLC MARC discussion paper (2018-DP11) on defining an open access indicator for 856.

Standing Committee on Training (SCT) Chair: Beth Picknally Camden

This report summarizes SCT activities since the ALA Midwinter Conference in February 2018. Please address any questions to SCT chair Beth Picknally Camden (bethpc@upenn.edu)

Committee members
The current SCT membership is:

Beth Picknally Camden Richard Stewart
Melanie Wacker Jackie Parascandola
Adam Baron Brian Stearns
Ageo Garcia Lisa Furubotten
Nancy Lorimer Paul Frank
John Hostage Laura Ramsey

ISNI Training Task Group
In support of the PCC ISNI Pilot (https://wiki.duraspace.org/display/PCCISNI/PCC+ISNI+Pilot+Home), SCT has appointed an ISNI Training Task Group, chaired by John Hostage. The charge of this group is to develop an ISNI training curriculum for PCC ISNI participants; document procedures and workflows for creating and maintaining ISNI records, and for using ISNI tools. The task group will be working closely with the ISNI pilot participants.

The task group has completed a survey of PCC ISNI practitioners on their experience with the training and documentation, with 30+ responses. They are currently analyzing the results and have started work on sample documentation and an outline of the training curriculum.

LRM/3R Training Task Group
In March, SCT charged a new task group to develop a training curriculum for PCC participants in the IFLA Library Reference Model (LRM) and the changes in the RDA Toolkit (3R project). This group is co-chaired by Nancy Lorimer and Jackie Parascandola. The task group has been working on their initial task to identify existing resources about LRM and the 3R projects. They will review, sort them into various areas and levels of difficulty, and note what is missing for creating a logical curriculum. They will also be tracking RSC announcements and adapting timelines as needed.

Series policies and training documentation
SCT is working with the Standing Committee on Standards to review and possibly update current series policies and series training documentation. We have appointed co-leads, Lisa Furubotten (SCT) and Bob Maxwell (SCS). We expect to launch this initiative within the next few weeks, and we will be looking for volunteers interested in series.

Next Steps
At ALA Annual, we will be discussing several proposals that we have received for topics that may need new or updated training:
· Real world objects
· Provider Neutral records
· Genre terms, subfield $2 and Linked Data
· Study of errors in NACO records

Over the next year, we will be focusing on Linked Data training, as well as other initiatives from the PCC Strategic Plan.