PCC Report for CC:DA at ALA Midwinter, Seattle, January 2019
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The following is a list of activities and reports carried out by the Program for Cooperative Cataloging since ALA Annual 2018.

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

- The new PCC Directory was made available during the summer. Members need to create member profiles and login regularly; PCC Directory passwords must be re-set every 60 days. Beginning in October 2018, the PCC Directory will be used by members to record PCC statistics. Statistics data will be used by PoCo and the Library of Congress to generate reports and data analysis.

- The Outcomes document from the November 2018 PoCo meetings is available.

- A revised PCC Governance Document (Nov. 2018) has been posted to the website.

Standing Committee on Applications (SCA) Chair: Ben Abrahamse

- The Standing Committee on Application (SCA) has been focused on the issue of ISBD punctuation in MARC records. We drafted a memorandum for the PCC Policy Committee on issues surrounding implementation of records with minimal punctuation. Following this, at the PCC Policy Committee meeting this autumn, PoCo voted to move forward with allowing records lacking ISBD punctuation to be acceptable within the PCC database, if the descriptive convention byte (LDR/18) is set to “c” (ISBD punctuation omitted).

- SCA is currently finalizing a set of guidelines for creating PCC-acceptable records with minimal ISBD punctuation. We expect these guidelines to be approved by the Standing Committee at Midwinter. Once these guidelines have been approved, the PCC Policy Committee will determine a start date for the new policy.

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

During the past year, while RDA is under redevelopment, the Standing Committee on Standards has suspended much of its usual work producing guidelines and decisions. Timelines for resuming typical SCS activities should become clearer in the next few months.

Work in progress:

- Language expressions. SCS is still awaiting a response from LC about revisions to Policy Statement (PS) 6.27.3.
• SCS considered the future of instructions in the BIBCO Standard Record (BSR) and CONSER Standard Record (CSR) relating to rare materials in light of the planned Rare Books & Manuscripts Section (RBMS) PSs and have provided feedback to RBMS.

• NACO Consultation Board. SCS co-chairs discussed next steps with Paul Frank and await an update from the Library of Congress at Midwinter 2019.

• PCC Task Group on Supplements and Special Numbers to Serials. Revised policy statement on 2.12 redrafted in response to LC comments and now awaiting posting. The task group has also drafted new PSs concerning supplement and special issues at: 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 but pending the PS revisions that 3R will necessitate no decision has been made about posting them.

• SCS received a submission from Council on East Asian Libraries (CEAL) on Taiwanese access points but has deferred consideration of it until RDA revision timelines become clearer.

• MARC discussion paper on defining $i for 6XX submitted to MARC Advisory Committee. SCS was asked to consider resubmitting with changes. SCS has taken no further action at this point.

• MARC discussion paper on demonyms written but withdrawn pending discussions with LC about alternative approaches in id.loc.gov.

• SCS is revising some of the explanatory text in the Provider-Neutral guidelines in order to provide readers with more context.

Other:

• SCS reviewed its activities from 2014-2018 for PoCo and was given a revised charge that more explicitly reflects the broader metadata concerns now facing PCC.

• 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 has compiled information on MARC authority fields awaiting implementation. We are receiving updates from LC.

• SCS held an internal email discussion on the potential impact of linked data on NACO authority guidelines.

• The SCS co-chairs were consulted on an OCLC MARC discussion paper on defining an open access indicator for field 856 in the MARC formats. The paper will be discussed as a MAC Proposal during this Midwinter conference (Proposal No. 2019-01)

• Ed Jones chaired the Serials Task Force of the RSC Aggregates Working Group.
Standing Committee on Training (SCT) Chair: Beth Picknally Camden

This report summarizes Standing Committee on Training (SCT) activities since the ALA Annual Conference in June 2018. Please address any questions to SCT chair Beth Picknally Camden (bethpc@upenn.edu)

Committee members
The current SCT membership is:

Beth Picknally Camden
Melanie Wacker
Adam Baron
Ageo Garcia
Nancy Lorimer
John Hostage

Richard Stewart
Jackie Parascandola
Brian Stearns
Lisa Furubotten
Paul Frank
Laura Ramsey

Current Work and Initiatives:

- **LRM Training Task Group**

Initially charged as the LRM/3R Training Task Group, this group has been recharged to focus solely on LRM (A new 3R group will be charged at a later date). This group is co-chaired by Nancy Lorimer and Jackie Parascandola.

The task group has completed the initial outline for training in IFLA-LRM. It focuses completely on the LRM model itself and only refers to other models and standards such as FRBR & RDA to offer broader context. Training is envisioned as a set of short modules (10 minutes or so), that concentrate on one aspect of the model.

For all of LRM and especially the complex areas such as serials and aggregates, this training is aimed at an introduction to the basic concepts, not an in-depth class in applying the model. It should provide sufficient understanding of the terminology and concepts to form a background for understanding cataloging standards, such as RDA, that are built on the model.

The Task Group is currently working on templates for each training module.

- **ISNI Training Task Group**

The ISNI Training Task Group, chaired by John Hostage, supports the PCC ISNI Pilot (https://wiki.duraspace.org/display/PCCISI/PCC+ISNI+Pilot+Home). 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.

Since ALA Annual, the task group created an outline of existing documentation for ISNI in order to identify gaps, see how to better organize, and respond to issues identified in the survey of ISNI practitioners. Task Group members have volunteered to take on the specific tasks listed in the outline and review, organize and if necessary update the corresponding ISNI training materials. They are currently focusing on training needs for existing participants. If the pilot is expanded at a later date, they will complete training for new participants.

- **Series policies and training documentation**
SCT is working with the Standing Committee on Standards to review and update current series policies and series training documentation. In July 2018, we appointed co-leads, Lisa Furubotten (SCT) and Bob Maxwell (SCS). The object of the task group is to resolve the problems outlined in the task document provided for the team. Work began with a review of Module 6A, the slide deck for the basic overview training for creating series authorities, including the current state of series authority concepts, the structure of the manual itself, and the current thinking of the series authority team. This became an auxiliary project of reformatting and cleaning the slides. The byproduct benefiting the series catalogers is a more user-friendly 300-item slide deck for SAR training.

In December, the task group completed a preliminary review of the original ten Series Manual problems, but identified several additional problems needing review before the work is completed.

- **URI Training task group**

Following the SCT meeting at ALA Annual 2018, a URI Training task group was appointed, with Paul Frank as chair. This task group will develop training based on the work of the PCC URI group. They will build on existing materials where available, including Nancy Lorimer’s ALCTS webinar on URIs, and Jean Godby’s materials on Real World Objects (RWO). The work of this task group was put on hold until after ALA Midwinter 2019 when the work of the PCC Task Group on Linked Data Best Practices is further along.

- **Conser Manual update**

Minor changes were completed to the CONSER Manual and are waiting publication on the web and in Cataloger's Desktop.

- **PCC response to ALCTS CAMMS SAC "A Brave New (Faceted) World"**

SCT participated in the PCC task group which reviewed and prepared a response to the ALCTS CAMMS SAC white paper "A Brave New (Faceted) World". SCT plans to work with PCC and SAC on future training in faceted vocabularies.

- **Next Steps**

At ALA Midwinter 2019, SCT will be discussing several areas that may need new or update training:
- ISBD punctuation removal
- Linked Data
- NACO training in OCLC Record manager
- Faceted vocabularies
- RDA 3R

We will also follow-up on the work of current task groups.