

PCC Report for CC:DA at ALA Midwinter, Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 2020

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The following is a list of activities and reports carried out by the Program for Cooperative Cataloging since ALA Annual 2019.

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

As of this month (Jan. 2020), in accord with the recommendations approved by the PCC Policy Committee in Sept. 2019, the **PCC Guidelines for Minimally Punctuated MARC Bibliographic Records** is effective. Documentation is available via the PCC website.

In response to questions recently posed by PCC members on the listserv, PoCo and the PCC Standing Committees are considering additional mechanisms to help members develop local policies and workflows reflecting this new policy.

In the near term, an FAQ document will be linked to the guidelines soon.

Standing Committee on Applications (SCA) Chair: Lucas (Wing Kau) Mak

- New members: TJ Kao (UC Davis, 3-year term), Melanie Polutta (Library of Congress liaison from Policy, Training, and Cooperative Programs Division) [full roster <https://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/sca/>]
- SCA members join several PCC task groups or projects as SCA representatives. These include:
 - PCC Task Group on Metadata Application Profiles
 - URIs in MARC Pilot Project
 - Task Group on Language Codes
- SCA created and tested a regular expression document to be used in MarcEdit for removing punctuation from MARC bibliographic records according to the PCC Minimally Punctuated Bib Record guideline (the regex document will be posted on PCC SCA webpage <https://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/resources/macros.html>)

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

Membership

New members: Elizabeth Miraglia, Steve McDonald ;

Manon Th  roux took over the role of Library of Congress liaison from Kate James ;

Full SCS membership information available at: <https://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/scs/index.html>

Recent activity

- NACO Consultation Board announced with Ed Jones as SCS representative ;
- SCS revised some of the explanatory text in the Provider-Neutral guidelines in order to provide readers with more context ;
- SCS submitted revisions to DCM Z1 for 672 field (Title Related to the Entity) in the MARC Authority format ;
- SCS provided input to PoCo on the RDA Policy Statement Task Group charges and is commenting on the Task Group reports. SCS is represented on three of the four Task Groups.

Work in progress:

- MARC discussion paper on demonyms written but withdrawn pending discussions with LC about alternative approaches in id.loc.gov ;
- PCC Task Group on Supplements and Special Numbers to Serials. Revised policy statement for 2.12 re-drafted in response to LC comments. 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. Library of Congress' Policy, Training, and Cooperative Programs unit representatives met with SCS at Annual and will work with the Task Group to revise the PSs starting with 2.12 ;
- In response to a request from Stephen Kharfen (U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO), SCS is considering how best to align BIBCO & CONSER practices regarding the use of surrogates for descriptive cataloging ;
- SCS compiled information on MARC authority fields awaiting implementation and is receiving ongoing updates from LC ;
- SCS and SCT formed a joint task group on Series Training materials (currently on hiatus) ;
- SCS is in the process of forming a task group on language codes to consider the use of alternative code lists such as ISO 639-3 that cover a larger number of languages than the MARC list ;

Parking lot

- Language expressions. SCS submitted revisions to PS 6.27.3 in August 2017 following PCC endorsement of the policy ;
- 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 ;
- SCS considered the future of instructions in the BSR and CSR relating to rare materials in the light of the planned RBMS PSs and have provided preliminary feedback to RBMS ;
- 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 ;

Other:

- SCS received briefings from Kathy Glennan and Dominique Bourassa at ALA Midwinter and Annual on changes to RDA and Toolkit as a result of the 3R Project ;
- SCS will take over some ongoing tasks handed off by the PCC Task Group on URIs in MARC. This Task Group was discharged in September 2018 ;
- Chew Chiat Naun is serving as SCS's liaison to the PCC URIs in MARC pilot ;
- SCS has begun discussing the potential impact of Wikidata and related technologies on cataloguing and authority practice, and met on a conference call with LD4P Wikimedian-in-Residence, Hilary Thorsen ;

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

This report summarizes SCT activities since the ALA Midwinter Conference in June 2019. Please address any questions to SCT chair Beth Picknally Camden (bethpc@upenn.edu)

Committee members

The current SCT membership is:

Adam Baron
Beth Picknally Camden, chair
Paul Frank (LC Liaison)
Lisa Furubotten
Ageo Garcia
John Hostage

Nancy Lorimer
Jackie Parascandola
Laura Ramsey (OCLC Liaison)
Brian Stearns
Richard Stewart
Melanie Wacker

Lisa Furubotten, Jackie Parascandola, Brian Stearns have been renewed for terms ending in Sept. 2022. All other members have terms expiring in Sept. 2020.

Minimal Punctuation Training Task Group

Charge: Develop a training curriculum for PCC participants in minimal punctuation. (Chair: Laura Ramsey; Members: Brian Stearns, Miloche Kottman, Robert Bremer (OCLC – consultant))

With the announcement of the optional omission of ISBD punctuation in PCC records beginning in January 2020, the SCT charged a group to prepare training for PCC participants. The task group completed training slides, which will be approved prior to Midwinter, and will be made available on the PCC website shortly. The PCC policy is available on the PCC website.

Sinopia Training Task Group

Charge: Develop a Sinopia training curriculum for current PCC LD4P cohort members and future PCC users of Sinopia. (Chair: Brian Stearns; Members: Paul Burley, Adam Cohen, Beth Picknally Camden, Lisa Furubotten, Michelle Futornick, John Hostage, Nancy Lorimer, Craig Thomas)

At ALA Annual, it was decided to create a group to develop training to support PCC members who are currently in the LD4P cohort, as well as others who want to explore Sinopia. The group has created and shared a training outline with the LD4P community for feedback. The first modules of Sinopia training are under review and are expected to be released shortly. The group also plans to produce videos demonstrating how to accomplish different tasks in Sinopia.

LRM Training Task Group

Charge: Develop a training curriculum for PCC participants in the IFLA Library Reference Model (LRM) (Chair: Nancy Lorimer; Members: Jackie Parascandola, Richard Stewart, Brian Stearns, Adam Baron, Nathan Putnam (ALA liaison))

The group has completed 12 training modules, each meant to be about 5-10 minutes worth of reading, which are currently under review by SCT. SCT hopes to finalize at ALA MW and release as soon as possible.

URI Training task group and RWO training

The SCT URI Training task group has three members: Paul Frank (chair), Nancy Lorimer, and Melanie Wacker.

The task group has prepared training materials for use initially by members of the PCC URIs in MARC Pilot. Among other things, the training covers: 1) The four rules of linked data; 2) Strings vs. things; 3) URIs vs. authorities; 4) Reconciliation; 5) Preliminary PCC Best Practices for URIs. The SCT URI Training task group will provide targeted training to members of the PCC URIs in MARC Pilot in February 2020. Although this training will be for pilot members only, the intent is that the training materials will have much wider use beyond the scope of the pilot itself.

NACO Participants' Manual review

The outdated NACO manual has been targeted by SCT as needing updating. SCT member John Hostage completed a quick review of the NACO manual. At ALA MW SCT will discuss next steps, including the possibility of charging a future group to do the work.

RDA 3R Task Group

SCT is in the process of creating a charge for a task group to develop training for using the Beta RDA Toolkit, LC-PCC Application Profile, LC-PCC Policy Statements, and LC-PCC Workflow Documents. The modular training would bring together policies and best practices from various places into an easily accessible location to help catalogers transition to the revised Toolkit. Because the timing for the new RDA toolkit implementation by the PCC remains undetermined, the timing of the task group work is still under discussion. Chair will be Adam Baron; membership not yet finalized.

Series policies and training documentation

SCT continues working with the Standing Committee on Standards to review and update current series policies and series training documentation, led by Lisa Furubotten (SCT) and Bob Maxwell (SCS).

Work was completed on the revision of Module 6A, the slide deck for the basic overview training for creating series authorities. The slides are currently under review by SCT.

The series problems from the initial charge have been examined, and proposed solutions have been written up and shared via a Google Drive folder for the team. The problem types have been divided into policy questions to route to SCS and training/documentation issues to be reviewed by SCT.

Linked Data Training

SCT will be working with the Linked Data Advisory Committee to form a joint task group. The draft charge for this new group was put on hold while we focused on Sinopia training (see report above).
