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               Valley Library Consortium
            Minutes of the Database Committee
                     March 22, 2012
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Present in Person: Ron Suszek and Mary Schultz (Midland); Becky Grai
(Northwood); Sallie Hirschman and Paula Pashak (BCLS); Cindy Hix
(Bridgeport); Linda Hudecek (CDL); Paul Lutenske and Ruth Ann Reinert
(Saginaw); Kay Dunker and Lee Martin (VLC); Anne Wooden (Delta).
Present Remotely: Betty Gettel, Caro ; Lynn Deming, St. Charles; Ann
Langlois, Lapeer ; Ronnie Jankoviak, Mid-Michigan Community College;
Pat Lange, North Branch; Sandie Snow, Almont; Amy Winter and Andrew
Sutherland, West Branch; Jane Himmel, Pigeon

Chair Anne Wooden called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

Additions to the Agenda: Nomination of a Chair Elect for 2012/2013.

Decisions:
   1. R. Reinert moved to approve the minutes from the January 26, 2012
      meeting. C. Hix seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussions:
1. Social Library—Facebook Presentation:
Rosalyn Dean from SirsiDynix presented Social Library, SirsiDynix's
native Facebook application. This app, which resides on a library's
Facebook page, seamlessly interfaces with Horizon and allows users to
search while socializing. Users can search the catalog and like,
tweet or email a link to a specific result. Social Library can be
configured to search only one library's holdings or can include
results from the entire consortium. Configuration of Social Library
would largely be at the discretion of participating members. Users
would also have the ability to manage holds, renew items and pay fines
(if a PayPalPro subscription is active). The cost of Social Library
is $5900, with an annual cost of $6420.00. This amount would be
divided among participating members. It is possible to get a 6 month
trial for member libraries interested in participating. This trial
would cost $500.00. If VLC members vote to move forward with Social
Library, this trial fee would be subtracted from the first year's
cost.

2. Database Projects Calendar:

The listing of regularly scheduled reports and projects will no longer
be included on the Database Committee's agenda.

3. ILL Procedures:

Recently, the director of Community District Library decided to discontinue use of the yellow ILL bands at his institution. This action has caused confusing and unpleasant experiences at other member institutions. In brief, CDL is interested in using the Horizon produced transit slip that can be printed from a receipt printer in place of the standard, yellow band. Members are concerned about the extra work that is involved by member libraries receiving CDL material. Currently, yellow bands are once again being used at CDL for items being sent to other member libraries.

When this issue was brought to Administrative Council, it was decided to move the matter to the Database Committee. A decision was made by the Database Committee to convene the ILL subcommittee. The ILL subcommittee will decide whether to recommend continuation of current practices or to devise a new standard. The subcommittee will meet prior to the June Administrative Council meeting to suggest a resolution. The Database Committee will also meet in April and/or May to discuss the subcommittee's findings. The first ILL subcommittee meeting will be in person at VLC and is open to any employees member institutions wish to send. This meeting may take several hours. If more meetings are necessary, it may be possible to do them remotely.

4. HIP Display and Indexing of Archival Material:

Public Libraries of Saginaw originally submitted this agenda item. Committee members from Saginaw withdrew agenda item during meeting.

5. Library Thing:

VLC is currently working on methods to market both LibraryThing and the LibraryThing mobile app, LibraryAnywhere. A meeting of representatives from member libraries will meet to discuss ways to help educate users about what functions can be performed with services like LibraryThing and LibaryAnywhere. L. Martin also informed members that the LibaryAnywhere app can be customized by member libraries to better fit user communities.

6. RDA Implementation:

March 31, 2013 is the Library of Congress' RDA implementation date. LC records produced after this date will no longer conform to AACR2 specifications but will reflect the new standard. K. Dunker will arrange a meeting for members about RDA integration in the near future. K. Dunker also informed members of an upcoming RDA conference in Ohio.

7. ISBN's on Electronic Resources:

Some members are experiencing problems loading and processing records for acquisitions because of a conflict that occurs when members use the same ISBN number for multiple formats of an item, namely electronic and print versions of books. A possible solution to this

issue is to place the ISBN of the original (first added) item in a subfield Z. The information placed in the subfield z can be suppressed during importation processes. Horizon can be configured to allow searching of the subfield z. The committee recommended using the subfield z plan and desires that the subfield be searchable.

8. Chair Elect for 2012-2013:

R. Reinert made a motion to extend A. Wooden's term as chair for another year. R. Suszek seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. M. Schultz was selected as Chair Elect for 2012-2013.

Announcements: None.

Meeting adjourned at 11:32 AM.

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 26, 2012
Minutes submitted by R. Suszek