

## **BCC2006/SDC/2**

### **Authorities Subcommittee Business Meeting**

Submitted by Margaret Kaus, Chair

Members: Present: Margaret Kaus (Chair), Candice Feldt, Jean Harden, Michi Hoban, Ralph Papakhian, Robert Sherrane, David Sommerfield; Absent: Richard Burbank, Brad Eden, Nancy Sack

Authorities Subcommittee annual report 2005: it was a quiet year. Ralph had submitted a proposal involving the 680 field, which proposed that 680 (scope note) be used for name authority records, which LC had not done heretofore. This proposal became moot after LC made the decision to add death dates. CPSO made the decision not to pursue the 680 proposal.

Margaret reported on the highlights of the ALA Midwinter meeting in San Antonio, TX. LITA/ALCTS—CCS Authority Control in the Online Environment Interest Group (ACIG) Sunday, Jan. 22, 2006, from 1:30 pm-4:30 pm. For full report, see: <http://www.ala.org/ala/lita/litamembership/litaigs/authorityalcts/2006midwinterpresents.htm>. Topics discussed include:

- Report by Taylor Surface (OCLC )on OCLC Terminology Pilot project that would provide multiple controlled vocabularies. The subject thesaurus would show in a panel and users should be able to copy and paste into Connexion. This may roll out in summer 2006.
- Ann Della Porta (LC) reported on Unicode conversion in bibliographic utilities. More info. available on the ACIG website.
- Glenn Patton (OCLC) reported on authorities, 024 field, 031 field (musical incipits), Connexion “control headings” changes, and adding 781s to records for geographic names. OCLC is investigating the development of an RSS feed to alert libraries to changes in authority records.
- Jennifer Bowen spoke about RDA parts II & III. Part II draft will be available between May-Sept. 2006 This is a reworking of AACR2 chapter 21. Part III draft should be available between Oct. 2006-April 2007. Part III will rework chapters 22-26 (including uniform titles). Drafts will be available online. RDA is slated to be published in 2008. The RDA discussion list online is very active (high volume). There is a web form for informal comments.
- ACIG business meeting:
  - Progress report on ACIG bibliographic annotations by Annaclair Evans.
  - Discussion on ALCTS strategic 5 year plan

Ralph Papakhian rotated off the subcommittee after the Memphis meeting after serving an extended 5 year term as a member, since in 2005 he was reappointed for one year to oversee the 680 field proposal. We thank him for his many contributions.

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