

Database Maintenance Advisory Council

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Present: Lisa Bouchard (BETH), Rob Carle (UHLS), Sue Dague (EGRN), Peggy Mello (COLN), Julie Stump (VOOR), Mary Trev Thomas (BETH), Joe Thornton (UHLS)

Self-published books: Barbara Goetschius asked in an email how we planned to handle this growing trend: Are other libraries buying them? How do we catalog them? Others are indeed adding them to their collections (but not necessarily buying them since some are written, published, and donated by local writers, board members, etc.). Rob suggested that to catalog these, libraries should create a record and fill in as much as they can, and then send the bib# to Rob with an explanation and he'll fill out the record. The "zBK - Book" workform (template) is a good one to use.

We weed a lot: Each week we delete about 500 bib records that have no items attached and that are at least 60 days old. Recently the number was 1016 and Joe asked if there was an obvious explanation for the increase. It turns out it was just part of the normal weeding process.

Subject headings for paperback fiction: Lisa B. asked in an email:

Did we decide as a group that the rule about having subject headings would not apply to paperbacks, perhaps because they don't last long? If they should have subject headings, would it be worth it to run a report of paperback fiction titles that are missing 650 fields? We could fix them as time allows.

After a long discussion we agreed that paperbacks should have the same priority as hardcovers, and that they should have at least one 650 tag. UHLS will write a report to show records (except on-order records) that have no 650s.

Related: UHLS will write a report to show bib records with BISAC subject headings.

Cataloging Kindles: Mary Trev reported that BETH "will be loading 20 Kindles with series titles, each one dedicated to a particular author, and would like to put the titles in as added titles." We agreed that the 245\$a should look like "Kindle Bethlehem Patterson," the subfield 'h' should contain 'eReader,' and there should be a 246 (Varying Form of Title) and 505 (Contents Note) tag for each title.

Gale Virtual Reference Library: Julie reported that VOOR will ask UHLS to import about 1,000 bib records for VOOR's subscription to the *Gale Virtual Reference Library*. Joe said that we'll wait to receive the import file from Gale and then get back to her.

Author names with apostrophe after first letter: Sue said that searches for author L'Engle didn't work but searches for author D'Elia did. What's up with that? Joe suggested that L' is probably treated as a leading article and so is not included in the index (like 'the'), and that turned out to be the case. Rob added an article exception in Horizon for L'Engle.

Rental copies: Sue spotted some rental copies (no bonus material) of DVDs that had holds on them. Holds should be moved to the regular editions.

Blu-ray Discs: Julie asked how we should catalog Blu-ray/DVD combo disks. We said that if it's a combo or Blu-ray then we should add a 655 of "Blu-ray Disc."

Authority control: Reminder: We moved the date of authority control processing by LTI from 12/31 to 3/31.

Next meeting: Joe will suggest a Tuesday or Thursday sometime in March.