

Acquisitions Roundtable Minutes

October 31, 2007 Baruch College Library Conference Room

Attendees: Chip Stewart (CC), Nancy Macomber (QC), Olga Snaider (CO), Cecilia Salber (KB), Ann Matsuuchi (Brooklyn), Sharon Swacker (NY), Linda Wadas (BMCC), Susan Vaughn (Brooklyn), Dolores Grande (JJ), Ka Chuen Gee (LC), Joanna Bevacqua (BMCC), Stephen Francoeur (Baruch), Michael Waldman (Baruch), Sunny Yoon (CO), Marsha Clark (CO), Maria Kiriakova (JJ) Ching Chang (MEC).

Jane Fitzpatrick (GC), Chair

Jane Fitzpatrick convened the meeting. Thanks to Sunny Yoon for taking minutes.

1. LibX: Kevin Reiss from the Graduate Center presented a demo of LibX, a browser plug-in that enables direct access to library's resources. For example, a user at Amazon or Alibris can search CUNY+ using a toolbar on the browser. LibX is currently supported for Firefox and Internet Explorer 7. While this is a functionality available to all users, Kevin pointed out that it might be of particular use to librarians doing collection development and the general 'power user'. With "auto linking", LibX searches through content available on a webpage and generates an icon that appears near what it deems to be searchable content, i.e. an ISBN which allows for a direct search of that ISBN in the local system.

A library interested in implementing LibX will have to customize some settings before installation on local machines. LibX has an "edition builder" which allows this to take place. As the Graduate Center has set up much of the specifics, CUNY libraries can take the GC's version (available on the "public editions" link at the LibX page (<http://www.libx.org/>) and amend minimally to create their own edition. Much information is available at the Graduate Center's website:

<http://libx.org/editions/download.php?edition=69E01436>

Please contact Kevin Reiss at the Graduate Center with specific questions:

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2. Licensing Agreements for Multimedia: Sharon Swacker had a question to the rest of the libraries about how they handle copyright issues on multimedia content. Specifically, DVD invoices begun to have copyright restriction language clarifying that the purchaser did not buy the performance rights of moving image materials. The common response was that libraries place stickers on the DVD's informing patrons that they are legally liable for any actions they may take with the media. Librarians offered to share the language on their versions of this sticker with Sharon Swacker. Mike Waldman shared his site which has language about "acceptable use": http://newman.baruch.cuny.edu/about/eresource_guidelines.html

3. Disappearing OCLC Records: Marsha Clark mentioned that numerous libraries have been experiencing the disappearance of downloaded OCLC records. Most often, this is the result of indexing problems in Aleph and Systems staff have to be contacted to restart the process.

As an initial step, a user can search by system number in Aleph by typing "7777777" to have access to the latest records. If the records still cannot be found, Marsha suggested that she be contacted when this occurs so that problem reporting and resolution can be centralized for efficiency. Marsha can be reached at 646.312.1699. The Help Desk can also be contacted at 212.541.0983.

Respectfully submitted by Chair Jane Fitzpatrick, April 2, 2008