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OPAC TEAM Minutes

Tuesday, April 14, 2009

10:00 am

Present: Nancy Sosna Bohm, Jana Brubaker, Keith Eiten, Jonathan Gorman, Gregory Morrison, Amanda Pippitt, Paige Weston

Not present: Karen Becker, Susan Prokopeak, Paula Dempsey, Kitti Canepi

Minutes recorded by Nancy

Minutes for the March 10, 2009 meeting are not yet available for review

1. Updates from Paige:

1. CARLI is having to develop new infrastructure to support the new tomcat WebVoyage, which is a new layer on top of previously existing software. Unfortunately, cannot stress test it unless it is in production.
2. May need to schedule separate meeting to update WebVoyage customization guidelines because 7 looks so different from previous versions (even though the same under the hood). Guidelines may not be complete by upgrade.
3. Syntax issues:
 - a. Canned urls will break. Paige working on translator/converter.
 - b. Search box modules will be made ready
4. Text Me Call Number feature will now be opt-out (previously was opt-in, but the only libraries that haven't wanted it are those with cell phone reception issues)
5. VuFind development on hold at least until June (after the WebVoyage upgrade); CARLI staff have begun to work some on eXtensible Catalog development

2. Updates from Keith (IUG):

1. Usability Testing document will be sent back to Carlos for implementation.
2. IUG will discuss ILS items at the Liaisons Forum (see III below)
3. Where to put urls in electronic document catalog records discussed

3. For future ILS discussion:

1. Service(s) we would like to provide but our current ILS doesn't accommodate [blue sky stuff]
 - a. Status/Availability of items accessible from outside of catalog
 - b. Zip file of available books (easy export of manipulable bib data)
 - c. More controlled vocabulary
 - d. Reviews – user generated
 - e. Ranking boosting by users
 - f. Lists (like a My Favorites feature)
 - g. More user-added metadata, particularly relationships among records (if you like this you might also like that; or connection between West Side Story and Romeo & Juliet)
 - h. Tracking UB loans/dynamic map of ILDS routing
 - i. More metadata: Edit history of all record types
 - j. Map of library floorplan to book location
 - k. Integration with other subscription resources

- l. Geographic coordinates search for maps in the collection
 - m. Spellchecking with controlled vocabulary
 - n. Single signon/Institution login
 - o. Search by tags
 - p. Open architecture
 - q. Better export to EndNote, RefWorks, etc.
 - r. Dynamic integration of SFX with local OPACs
2. Annoying functionalities/assumptions/requirements in our current system [as distinct from limitations]
 - a. Inadequate de-duping of hitlists
 - b. Default keyword search is all fields
 - c. Relationships of titles in series not clear
 - d. Can't click back button
 - e. Request form selection page with only one choice to select ("first available copy" screen)
 - f. Elimination of government documents from search is very clunky
 - g. Urls in records don't display according to cataloging standards
 - h. Holding sort groups awkward
 - i. Local holdings display for serials hard to see
 - j. Serials title changes display confusing
 - k. Lack of item history, e.g., location change
 - l. Must click "retain options from previous page" when selecting items for printing, emailing, etc.
 3. Functionalities in our current system (or not in our current system) we think our users (or we) couldn't do without:
 - a. UB
 - b. text messaging and emailing call numbers,
 - c. a general (not necessarily "all fields") keyword search (should include various fields including ISBN)
 - d. Limits
 - e. Prolific author (author/title) search
 4. Paige demonstrated WebVoyage 7
 1. Will be better able to update all 76 catalogs at once
 2. Tabs instead of tool bar buttons
 3. Filters for search results
 4. Only 2 views (holdings and staff); can add More Like This view later if still wanted
 5. Barcode look-up to determine home library
 6. Can start a new search from any page (currently searches all fields but could be modified)
 7. Help opens in new tab/window
 8. Renew blocking message displays on page instead of having to click to another page
 9. Personal information not displayed by default, can click to see
 10. My Searches has serious functionality problems for some kinds of legacy (version 6) saved searches
 11. Export feature: Can Jon install RefWorks option?

The next team conference call is on May 12th at 10 a.m.

Meeting concluded at approximately 11:54 am.