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## I-Share OPAC Team Minutes

March 9, 2011 @ 10:00 AM

**Members Present:** Paige Weston, Kelly Fisher (minutes taker), Peggy Steele, Lisa Gonzalez, Belinda Cheek, Jacob Jeremiah, Edith List, Amanda Pippitt (joined at 11:00 AM)

**Members Absent:** Jana Brubaker, Karen Becker, Paul Go

### CARLI Updates:

- Susan Singleton is going to the CARLI Board of Directors' next meeting to propose that CARLI:
  - Discontinue support of TomCat for the foreseeable future, as very few libraries are using it. July 1st is the recommended shut off date.
  - Do another round of purchase-on-demand for print books no I-Share library currently owns.
- Paige would like the group to review her email sent this morning with the subject "Re: [iopac] FW: Vufind->ILL: further thoughts" as she would like feedback on the attached "when-i-Share-Fails" document.
- Paige would also like feedback on yesterday's "miscellaneous VuFind stats" email regarding tagging, comments, and favorites usage
- VuFind updates:
  - Date limits are now possible from the VuFind advanced search
  - Government Publication limit, and author/title search redirects on non-analytics now working and period in name issue fixed
- Paige read an article in *ITAL* on usability tests of VuFind conducted by UIUC and was satisfied that we had made changes already that were mentioned as issues in the testing, but was reminded of other issues still left.
- Paige sees an urgency for possible future change in the format limits such as distinguishing dvd from vhs, cd from vinyl, etc.
- Paige will push forward to get date limits exposed as date facets.
- Favorites are being confused by some patrons with the requesting function.
- Comments are being confused for feedback to CARLI and not being used as a review area. A discussion ensued about how we could make it clear what the comments area is for and two decisions were made:
  - "User Reviews" will replace Comments label
  - A link will be added to inform patrons who are confused such as "Were you trying to request this? Click here"

### Follow-Up on VuFind emails:

1. Library facet in I-Share: "Facets Now Applied" will be changed to "Results For" in both the local and union catalogs
2. Non-English subject headings: It was decided that it is fine as is/ do nothing.
3. Facets that don't reduce the result set: The group decided that it was fine as currently working in VuFind's production version.
4. Repeat Search in WorldCat or elsewhere:
  - Comments that it was a nice option to offer to search somewhere else, but it would need to be a library-specific customizable option as there are different WorldCat versions preferred by each

library (WC Local vs. FirstSearch)

- The offer to repeat the search in WorldCat would appear after a No Hits message in the VuFind union catalog
- It was the group's consensus that it would be better to offer a library-specific link

## **IUG Updates**

IUG met on Feb. 10 in conjunction with the Resource Sharing Team.

1. Reviewing UB Standardization - had a good, long discussion. There is some discontent reported among faculty and graduate students on the changes to length of check-out, but mostly on the limit on renewals. Part of the group wished to recommend to the board expansion of renewals for faculty from 3 to 6, and part of the group wished to make no changes. The Board will meet next week.
2. Libraries' loaning of media items discussed - they made no recommendations
3. UB overdue fines are handled differently by libraries - all are supposed to waive under \$5. There was a recommendation to waive all UB fines and concentrate on lost book processing and fees. There is also an interest in standardizing lost book fees.
4. A recommendation for a "Renew All" option in VuFind was brought up in discussion. It is nice that the renewal is now from the due date and not from the renewal request date, so a "Renew All" does not count against a loan period. Paige will add to the suggested enhancements list.