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PCC @ 25!

As of June 2019, the Program for Cooperative Cataloging will reach the advanced age of twenty-five.

If you are attending ALA Annual, please come to the PCC Participants Meeting on Sunday June 23, 2019 from 4:00 – 5:30 PM in the Renaissance Washington DC Downtown Hotel, Congressional A. At that meeting, we will celebrate our past and look ahead to our future. There will be a few brief talks, activities, and refreshments to celebrate our anniversary. There will be surprises and prizes too, so save the date!

PCC Communication Board and PCC Comm Channel: The Future

This is the 4th issue of the new bulletin from the Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC). The purpose and intention of the PCC Communication Board Pilot is described in [August 2018 vol. 1, no. 1](#) [PDF]. The PCC Comm Channel (see what we did there?) is our first take on the intended quarterly bulletin.

From that issue: "We encourage your feedback on what you like and what you do not, as well as suggestions for potential changes and improvements. The first 'C' in 'PCC' stands for 'Cooperative,' and we take that to heart: our 'C' for 'Communication' cannot be effective without everyone's cooperation!" In the future, readers will see a *formal* survey from the PCC Secretariat to evaluate the work of the pilot PCC Communication Board and determine the next steps. Keep an eye out for that! To allow time for collecting that feedback, the PCC Steering Committee has decided that it is valuable to continue the PCC Communication Board for at least one more year.

We hope you enjoy what you read as we introduce our membership, put faces to names, explain in more detail what the PCC does, and gather together information and news from all areas of the PCC, trying to make it visually appealing. Feel free to let us know what you think of this issue through the PCC Communication Board's *informal feedback* form; your feedback helps us know what we can do better for the next issue! (The PCC Communication Board's *informal* feedback is not the same as the *formal* survey that will come from the PCC Secretariat.)

Corrections

In the last issue (vol. 1, no. 3), we incorrectly edited Luiza Wainer's bio, inadvertently misgendering them. We are printing the correct version here in its entirety:

Luiza Wainer is a Metadata Librarian at Princeton University, with a specialty in Ibero-American languages. They are a member of the PCC Linked Data Advisory Committee.

PCC Election

For all PCC Program Contacts and Funnel Coordinators: The PCC election opened May 29, 2019 and will end Friday, June 14 2019 at midnight (EDT).

Note: The 2019 election marks the first time that voters will cast their ballots within the PCC Directory System (PCCD). Once the election has started, the system will send a notification to the primary NACO contact listed in PCCD accounts of institutions and funnel coordinators eligible to vote in the election.

To cast your vote and see the candidate ballots you must login to your institution's NACO account in the PCCD. Directors do not have profiles in the PCCD, but NACO contacts can provide their directors with the institutional logon credentials or directors may designate the NACO contact to cast their vote.

To assist directors in making their selections, we have posted the [candidate biographies](#) [PDF] on the PCC website.

Directors (or equivalent officers) of voting PCC institutions may delegate voting rights to another person from their institution (e.g. the institution's BIBCO, CONSER, NACO, or SACO representative) but cannot give their right to vote to someone who already has voting rights due to their own role in the PCC (e.g. a PCC funnel coordinator).

Funnel coordinators, please cast a single ballot on behalf of the members of the funnel you coordinate.

Please review the [Guidelines for voting in the PoCo election](#) [PDF] for further instructions on casting ballots in the PCCD.

This is your opportunity to help your institution exercise its voting rights as a PCC institution or for you to vote on behalf of the funnel you coordinate.

Please email the PCC secretariat at coop@loc.gov if you require voting assistance.

Who Are You...

Welcome to New Members of PCC Programs!

During the second quarter of the fiscal year (January-March 2019), the following institutions were approved to join PCC programs:

CONSER

[University of Utah](#) (joined as enhance-level member)

[U.S. Department of State](#) (joined as enhance-level member)

NACO

[Wesleyan University](#) (Connecticut) (joined as full-level member)

[University of Hong Kong](#) (joined as full-level member)

[Chinese University of Hong Kong](#) (joined as full-level member)

[Hong Kong Polytechnic University](#) (joined as full-level member)

[Hong Kong City University](#) (joined as full-level member)

[Lingnan University](#) (joined as full-level member)

[Hong Kong Baptist University](#) (joined as full-level member)

[Education University of Hong Kong](#) (joined as full-level member)

[University of Macau](#) (joined as full-level member)

[El Colegio de Sonora](#) OPD (joined NACO-Mexico Funnel)

[Universidad Veracruzana](#) (joined NACO-Mexico Funnel)

[Union College](#) (joined New Jersey/New York NACO Funnel)

[Marist College](#) (joined New Jersey/New York NACO Funnel)

[Lehi City Public Library](#) (joined Mountain West NACO Funnel)

[Institute of American Indian Arts](#) (joined Mountain West NACO Funnel)

[Mills College](#) (joined SCEL (Statewide California Electronic Library Consortium) NACO Funnel)

All of the new member libraries are currently undergoing training, submitting records for review, or in the process of being brought on board. A big thank you to all our PCC trainers and reviewers, with special thanks going to LC staff members Paul Frank and Melanie Polutta for their willingness to conduct NACO training sessions during evening hours to accommodate libraries in time zones far from their own!

PCC News & Updates

NACO CJK Funnel References Project

In preparation for the transition to a linked data environment, the NACO CJK Funnel, under the coordination of Shi Deng, University of California, San Diego, and the Project Oversight Committee, Jia Xu, Chair, is beginning a NACO CJK Funnel References clean-up project to evaluate non-Latin script references in NACO CJK differentiated (008/32 code “a”) personal name authority records.

The NACO CJK Funnel References Project will begin on May 15, 2019.

Background

- In 2008, OCLC prepopulated the LC/NACO Authority File with non-Latin references derived from non-Latin bibliographic headings in OCLC WorldCat
- 480,000 NACO records were updated

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- The OCLC pre-population was based on matching romanized forms in the authority record and in the bibliographic record – it was known at the time that this was not a perfect match in all cases for CJK languages, especially for Chinese, because the same romanized form may be represented by different character strings in CJK languages
- This means that CJK NACO records may contain non-Latin variants that do not refer to the actual identity in the authority record
- Providing access through the prepopulated non-Latin variants was deemed greater at the time than the potential inclusion of non-Latin variants that did not represent the same identity
- A future clean-up project was recommended at the time

How the project will work

- The NACO CJK Funnel has identified 80,956 differentiated CJK personal name authority records (47,937 Chinese, 19,981 Japanese, 13,038 Korean) that contain multiple non-Latin references and a 667 field note “Machine-derived non-Latin script reference project”
- A call for NACO CJK catalogers to volunteer for the project will be sent out. Training will be provided
- Participating NACO CJK catalogers will review the non-Latin references in these records individually, checking OCLC bibliographic records as needed
- Any incorrect non-Latin variant(s) will be removed
- A 667 field with the text “Non-Latin script references reviewed in NACO CJK Funnel References Project” will be added to the reviewed record
- The Reference evaluation (008/29) value “b” will not be changed, unless the review of a record results in the removal of all non-Latin variants, in which case the 008/29 value will be changed to “a” or “n” and the corresponding 667 field “Non-Latin script reference not evaluated” will be removed
- Any record not already coded RDA will be re-coded to RDA
- It is anticipated that the project will last approximately 2 years

Project Guidelines

- Background, Scope, and General guidelines
- Specific cases with CJK examples

A note on pseudonyms in NACO CJK records

Members of the NACO CJK Funnel References Project acknowledge that some of the authority records may contain multiple identities and they will not be handled in the regular manner prescribed in DCM Z1 008/32. For the near term, the NACO CJK Funnel References Project will be conducted only by project members who have volunteered and been selected to participate.

As the project proceeds and initial results are assessed, project expansion to include other NACO CJK catalogers will be considered.

If you have any questions about the project, please feel free to contact [Jia Xu](#), Chair of the Project Oversight Committee, and/or [Shi Deng](#), CJK NACO Project Coordinator.

It is very exciting to see the NACO CJK Funnel References Project become a reality. The Project Oversight Committee has done outstanding work to analyze and scope out the project. Gary Strawn also has contributed considerably to the project through his expert work in extracting the initial set of personal name authority records.

How many times have you recognized the need for a particular authority clean-up project? How many times has that project come to fruition? The NACO CJK Funnel References Project is an example of a needed authority clean-up project that has become a reality, thanks to the hard work and dedication of members of the NACO CJK Funnel and the Project Oversight Committee.

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PCC Joint Operations Committee (OpCo) Meeting

The PCC Operations Committee (OpCo) met May 2-3, 2019, followed by the [Intro to Wikidata](#) workshop. The [agenda](#) [PDF] of the meeting includes recordings of both the meeting and the workshop.

Engagements and Broadening the PCC Community Task Group

To collect information regarding opportunities, challenges and barriers to participation in the PCC the Task Group administered a survey that was distributed to many distribution lists covering different communities and cataloging groups. English language surveys were sent to about 20 distribution lists, including international (IFLA-L and CATSMAIL) and Latin American distribution lists. A separate Spanish language version was distributed to Mexican and Latin American librarians and catalogers including the NACO-MEXICO group. The survey included questions addressed to both PCC and non-PCC members.

The Spanish language version of the survey received 36 total responses, and the English language version received 402 total responses. Representation was roughly split between PCC and non-PCC members. The majority of responses were from academic libraries (70%) and from the United States (81%). Sixty-six responses (about 33%) were not familiar with PCC or never considering joining. For PCC members, a high majority were satisfied with PCC services. The top factors that limit the extent of their contributions or involvement are insufficient time availability and a lack of funding.

For non-PCC members, the main reasons for not being involved or having limited involvement include insufficient time availability, limited staff expertise, and the required number of records which must be contributed.

Many issues were raised in the survey, including promotion and creation of awareness, increasing easily available training, empowerment of member institutions, and lowering the bar for inclusion in PCC activities. Further details will be shared in the final Task Group report.

LD4P2 PCC Institutions Expand PCC ISNI Initiative

As part of their exploration of linked data identity management workflows, ten PCC libraries who are part of the [LD4P2 \(Linked Data for Production: Pathway to Implementation\)](#) cohort are participating in the PCC's ISNI initiative. Building on the successful PCC ISNI Pilot that formally concluded at the end of the 2018 calendar year, LD4P2 PCC institutions will learn to create and modify ISNI identifiers, and will have access to training materials, guidance and expertise from members of the PCC ISNI Pilot group and the PCC ISNI Training Task Group. For more information, please see the [LD4P ISNI cohort wiki page](#) on the PCC ISNI wiki.

PCC Standing Committee on Applications (SCA)

Updates for Operations Committee Meeting, May 2-3, 2019

Membership

SCA membership remained the same this year:

Ben Abrahamse, Chair (outgoing), MIT
Lucas Mak (incoming chair), Michigan State University
Karen Anderson, BSLW
Robert Bremer, OCLC
Christina Harlow, Temple University
Kirk Hess, LC
Liz Bodian*, Colgate
Gary Strawn*, Northwestern

* Consultant members

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Activities

The work of the Committee was entirely focused on matters relating to ISBD and other punctuation in MARC records. Working from the recommendations in the [2016 Revised final report of the PCC ISBD and MARC Task Group](#) [PDF], we examined three test sets of records to see how they could be made ISBD-punctuation-free. Based on this experience, we made recommendations to the PCC Policy Committee (PoCo) meeting last autumn. PoCo voted to move forward immediately on removal/omission of final punctuation in descriptive fields, but held back on allowing PCC contributors to omit ISBD punctuation between subfield to a later date.

In order to support the rollout of this policy decision, SCA drafted a set of initial guidelines, which were released to the public along with the announcement of changed policy in early April.

SCA has also been developing a set of guidelines for minimally-punctuated records, which will be released if/when the PCC decides to move forward in this area.

MARC proposals

As part of its responsibility to the PCC to shepherd MARC proposals to the MARC Advisory Committee, SCA presented the following MARC discussion papers (DP) and proposals:

- 2018-DP08 Use of Field 024 to Capture URIs in the MARC 21 Authority Format
- 2018-DP07 Designating Sources for Names in the MARC 21 Bibliographic Format
- 2019-03 Defining Subfields \$0 and \$1 to Capture URIs in Field 024 of the MARC 21 Authority Format (approved with amendments, Jan. 2019)
- 2019-02 Defining Source for Names and Titles in the MARC 21 Bibliographic Format (approved with amendments, Jan. 2019)

PCC Standing Committee on Standards (SCS)

Summary of PCC SCS current and recent activities: report to OpCo, May 2019

During the past year SCS has curtailed much of its usual work producing guidelines and decisions while RDA has been under redevelopment. Timelines for resuming this activity should soon become clearer with the announcement this week of the stabilized text.

Membership

Co-chair Ed Jones has renewed his appointment until 2021.

Work in progress

MARC discussion paper on demonyms written but withdrawn pending discussions with LC about alternative approaches in id.loc.gov.

NACO Consultation Board. SCS co-chairs resumed their discussion with Paul Frank about the charge and membership of this group. Paul will make an announcement at OpCo.

PCC Task Group on Supplements and Special Numbers to Serials. Revised policy statement on 2.12 redrafted in response to LC comments. The task group has also drafted new PSs concerning supplement and special issues at: 0.0; 2.1; 2.3.17; 6.2.2.9.1; 6.27.2.2; 25.1.1.3; and 27.1.1.3. SCS has just received a summary of the Policy and Standards Division's (PSD) response and is considering next steps.

SCS received a submission from Council on East Asian Libraries (CEAL) on Taiwanese access points but has deferred consideration of it until RDA revision timelines become clearer.

SCS is revising some of the explanatory text in the Provider-Neutral guidelines in order to provide readers with more context.

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In response to a request from Stephen Kharfen, SCS is considering how to align BIBCO practice on use of surrogates with CONSER practice.

Along with the PCC Linked Data Advisory Group and the PCC Identity Management Task Group, SCS is considering best practices for use of the authority 024 field for related identifiers.

Language expressions. SCS submitted revisions to PS 6.27.3 in August 2017 following PCC endorsement of the policy.

MARC discussion paper on defining \$i for 6XX submitted to MARC Advisory Committee. SCS was asked to consider resubmitting with changes. SCS has taken no further action at this point.

SCS considered the future of instructions in the BSR and CSR relating to rare materials in the light of the planned RBMS PSs and have provided feedback to RBMS.

Other updates

SCS reviewed its activities from 2014-2018 for PoCo and was given a revised charge that more explicitly reflects the broader metadata concerns that PCC now faces.

SCS was briefed by Kathy Glennan and Dominique Bourassa on changes to RDA and Toolkit as a result of 3R. Also under discussion is a work plan for policy statements and application profiles.

SCS compiled information on MARC authority fields awaiting implementation and continues to receive updates from LC.

SCS will be taking over some ongoing tasks handed off by the PCC Task Group on URIs in MARC, which was discharged in September 2018.

The guidelines for relationship designators in authority records, developed in 2016 in conjunction with the Standing Committee on Training, were recently released by LC.

PCC Standing Committee on Training (SCT)

PCC Operations Committee report - May 2019

Beth Picknally Camden, SCT Chair

ISNI Training Task Group

Charge: to develop an ISNI training curriculum for PCC ISNI participants; document procedures and workflows (Chair: John Hostage).

The group completed preliminary version of [training documents](#) for working with the web version of ISNI. Training for the LD4P cohort that is joining the ISNI project has just launched.

SCT LRM Training Task Group

Charge: Develop a training curriculum for PCC participants in the IFLA Library Reference Model (LRM) (Chair: Nancy Lorimer)

The groups has completed a training outline that includes 12 modules, each meant to be about 5-10 minutes worth of reading. Their current target is to have modules ready for review before ALA annual.

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Series Training/Policy Revisions

SCT is working with SCS on a joint process (SCT coordinator: Lisa Furubotten; SCS coordinator: Bob Maxwell)

The small group is continuing to analyze and make recommendations on sections that were previously reported as needing clarification. Their current target is to have their revisions ready for review before ALA annual.

SCT Minimal Punctuation Training Task Group

Charge: Develop a training curriculum for PCC participants in minimal punctuation, based on the PCC Guidelines for Minimally Punctuated Data developed by the PCC SCA. (Chair: Laura Ramsey)

This group was approved by PoCo in April. However, the group will not be formed until the Guidelines, which are being developed by SCA, are complete and approved by PoCo.

Linked Data

SCT is working with the Linked Data Advisory Committee to form a joint task group. We are currently reviewing a draft charge and discussing the scope of this new group. We have also reached out to DCMI Teaching Metadata Interest Group, in the hopes that we can collaborate in some way.

Past SCT linked data training documents available now: [Linked Data Training Resources Environmental Scan \[DOC\]](#) (2016)

Transitions & Appointments

Jean Harden, Coordinator of Music Technical Services at the University of North Texas (UNT) Music Library and NACO Music Project (NMP) member, retired at the end of May 2019. A celebratory reception was held in her honor in the UNT Music Library's Sanborn Music Reading Room. Congratulations, Jean!



Thanks for Reading!

What do you think so far?

***Send us your feedback on this issue of the
Communication Board Pilot's communication!***