SCS Pilot Group on CONSER Policies

Charge:

The SCS Pilot Group on CONSER Policies is charged to be a decision-making group for CONSER policies for the PCC implementation of Official RDA:

- Identify the impact of policy changes to serials in Official RDA
  - Determine when/how to apply the WEM lock to serials (including monographic series) especially with regard to translations and different formats, in MARC and BIBFRAME
  - Determine whether serial authorized access points must be unique in bibliographic descriptions in MARC and BIBFRAME, and in the LC/NACO Authority File (NAF)
- Identify and write policy and practice documentation to be updated (LC-PCC Policy Statements, Metadata Guidance Documentation, Descriptive Cataloging Manual Z1, CONSER Cataloging Manual, Provider-Neutral Guidelines, etc.), and make recommendations on consolidating documentation into the LC-PCC PSs or the MGDs where possible, to reduce the multiple sources of serials documentation.
- Collaborate with other PCC committees and task groups to review and confirm mapping specifications between BIBFRAME and MARC for serials, and to identify areas where further development or best practices are required
  - Collaborate with the OCLC CONSER group for tasks such as reviewing test data, etc.

Deliverables: proposed policies and best practices for the WEM lock and other issues, and corresponding documentation updates to be reviewed by SCS and approved by PoCo.

Time Frame:

Date charged: November 15, 2022
The Pilot Group will deliver decisions for PoCo approval as they create them.
Date preliminary assessment of deliverables due: April 15, 2023
Date to assess the pilot and recommend next steps due: October 1, 2023

Reports to:

PCC Policy Committee (PoCo) & Standing Committee on Standards (SCS)

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