M.A.I.N. TS Committee Meeting
Friday, March 22, 2019
Montville Public Library

Minutes

In Attendance: Marcia Lubansky, Jean Simone, BER; Jim Collins, MMT; Lauren Schulz, ROX; Ronnie Kemp, MAD; Walter Clark, MON; Jessica Stauffer, WAS; Rita Gerro, MTO; Carol Bernero, MTO; Denise Roberts, ROX; Amber Sawinski, FLO; Anthony Punch, JEF; Lyn Sisco, LPK; Andrea Driesse, LPK; Jeanne Mauriello, MAIN; Amy Puskas, WIP; Marge Nyquist, MNB; Marilyn Roio, EHN; Debbie DiStasio, EHN; Vidya Manohar, MCL; Marjorie Berkenkamp, WIP; Margaret Assente, BU; Aneela Tahir, RIV; Kathyrn Dale, PEQ; Christine Mann, PEQ; Melanie Edwards, MAD; Lynn Schiriman, MON; Donna Rasmussen, RAN; Trevor Diamond, MAIN; Adele Barree, MAIN; Jill Iannino, KIN, Bill Harrison, PT.

MAIN libraries are now permitted to make books as well as media local holds only for two months. Eight libraries are doing this for books.

There is a renamed material type of eAudio for downloadable audiobooks.

Jeanne Mauriello brought some news from MAIN. We are looking at a bibliographic utility called SkyRiver, owned by III that would be an alternative to OCLC for adding bib records. The price would be better. They are still open to suggestions for improvements to the online cataloging request form. She reminded us to send updates for any incomplete bib records, new or old, regardless of whether your library originally requested the record.

MAINQuest will be a MAIN library activity to promote the idea of visiting other libraries starting in National Library Week in April.

Marcia reminded everyone that on order linked items should have a status of On-Order, not In-Process. In-Process makes it look like the item will be available soon. Some libraries appear to be putting their on-order items in as Unavailable. These items will not display in the catalog, so this is not good practice.

We reviewed the default replacement material price list and made several changes. The new version is in the circulation manual, page 27.

We voted to rename “Large type” to “Large print” in both the Collection and Material Type, to conform with industry standard terminology. Large type is an LC genre heading that is only used in library catalogs. This change can now be seen in LEAP and the PAC.

Trevor demonstrated bulk changes in LEAP

Bill Harrison talked about Innovative Idea Lab, which is a web site where members can suggest software changes and give their opinion on changes suggested by others. The web site is https://idealab.iii.com. If you make a suggestion, you can ask for support from other members, so if you join, please let Bill know.

Marcia demonstrated how to create an easy report of circulation stats for your magazines using a SimplyReports item count report.

Reminders:

See the tech tips for suggestions for barcode cleanup.

Please remember to close records to avoid locking them from other users. Please remind your reference and circulation staff as well. There is a suggestion in Idea Labe to automatically close open records either at a given time or after a set interval.

When linking television programs on DVD be sure to enter the the correct information in the volume field in order to facilitate holds. See the tech tip: http://staff.mainlib.org/files/ils-support/polaris-tech-tips/tt-polaris-volume-field-for-dvds.pdf

There was a question about the "Loanable outside system" checkbox. This only applies if we were connected to another Polaris system/consortium, so the box has no effect for us.

Bill Harrison

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