

Aleph Working Group: April 2010 Meeting

April 28, 2010, 10:30 am- 12:00 pm, 222A Hesburgh Library

Agenda:

Aleph Testing Reports (all)

- how is testing going? Are any groups ready to sign off on existing functionality? We currently have a deadline of 3/26/2010 to complete existing functionality testing. Are we still on track?

Updates to March issues and new issues:

- Pub-pattern problem with annuals (from 18) has been resolved
- There are problems with the ISSN searching, OCLC numbers, direct index issues
 - Records that are re-saved index correctly
 - Had problem with record not overlaying because OCLC number was not indexed correctly
 - Lisa will test for Notre Dame, MALC folks will also test their data
- Course reserves
 - Courses came in
 - Cannot see documents attached in the GUI
 - The documents are visible in the OPAC
 - New documents added to the course in 20 are visible in the GUI
 - Aaron reported that there is a procedure that needs to be run; this was run on timothy, but needs to be rerun since we have re-loaded data on timothy; these need to be run for all four xxx30 libraries; Aaron wil reuon on 4/30/10
- Serials and Acquisitions is complete; material booking needs to be tested;
- Circulation notices still are in process of testing; overdues complete, recalls in process,
- patron loads in Aleph 20: Justin still has some work on crontab and will continue working on this today
- OPAC testing: Aaron will run through these; PDS issues found, not ready for production yet.
- Cataloging: critical functionality working, font size issues reported to Ex Libris are seen as working as expected from their end, some MARCIVE issues still in testing stage
- Staff permissions: asking for testing by May 7th
- Indexing: Aaron reported that there is a change and fix to genre headings, but we can roll this into upgrade process

New functionality testing (all)

- this was to run 3/29/2010 through 4/23/2010; are we done? what remains?
- what new functionality specifically will each group be testing? Some configuration may be required. Also please think about whether these need to be tested and implemented before production launch or can wait until summer or later

Updates from March meeting items:

- Serials
 - these first three are rep changes are require some configuration

- Change #161, item link in bib record;
- Change #2115, item history change info; Aaron believes this is implemented
- Change #2036, item sort; may require some configuration
- Claim slip: last claim date; format of the date is not good; they won't use this
- Requested items warning: worth looking into, line may need to be added to ACQ.INI
- SMC
 - Would like to be able to call up orders by initiator name, instead of number
 - this can be worked on in the summer
 - Issue is that patrons are stored in PWD50, but the initiator ID field only points to the local patron database
 - 852 (collections; WCL) shows up but is not currently indexed on timothy; this was working and available on Aleph 18 barnabas; perhaps just needs reindexing
- BCI (in order of importance):
 - Open/Closed hours in the GUI: needs some configuration with sublibraries
 - Feature to stop fine calculation after item is declared lost: can be implemented in summer
 - Display of fines in the OPAC: not needed; can be removed
 - Browse list for subfields/ Keyword in heading search (in GUI):
 - Drop-down for fixed fields in GUI: summer project
- Cataloging
 - Creating skeletal authority record: advertised to be like NACO macro; it is working but not as sophisticated
 - 008 validation: on authority records; Jennifer will check to see if there is need for configuration on this
 - item-specific information: Jennifer is looking in documentation to find more information about this; potentially useful for additional notes at item level
- Circulation
 - Material booking: [AudioVisual ?](#), Classroom Services, Reserve Book Room;
 - Pascal: contact Jason to see if we want to meet with him and Amanda
 - Center for Languages and Cultures: one staff plus one student; summer project, needs to be up for August

Notre Dame London Program (Pascal)

- Alice Tyrell greatly appreciated our help in reviewing the possibility of the London Program library utilizing our shared Aleph system, and she believes this will help much with justifying capital expenditures for their desired Koha hosted system
- Pascal will save copy of report to wiki page

Technical components check (LIS)

- status check on:
 - development server for Aleph 20
 - barnabas will be the way it is through late summer/early Fall;
 - paul will get rebuilt for Aleph 20 as pre-production/failover server;
 - scripts revision and testing
 - Marcive loading issues ([GovDocs ?](#))
 - backup status
 - anything else of note

- Pascal will issue ULON re: Tom's reports availability May - July 2010 so people know that this will be unavailable; Justin can run one-off reports for annual reports
- staff permissions changes need to be done in Aleph 18 and 20; this will require some revision for users after STP
- Tom hopes to have no more than about 8 hours downtime beginning with Sat. May 16

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