

Report of the RBMS/BSC Liaison to the ALA Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA)

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CC:DA had their 2022 Summer Virtual Meeting ([agenda](#)) on July 18th and 19th. Here is a very high level summary of the meeting:

- For the month of July 2022, the interim chair of CC:DA is Amanda Ros
- Amanda Ros reported that CC:DA will move towards a 3 year structure for Chair, Vice-Chair and Past-Chair. Traditionally the structure was for a 1 year chair position. The new structure will ensure continuity for the Committee.
- The incoming chair will be Amanda Sprochi.
- [CC:DA Blog](#)
 - Blog will be migrated eventually to the Core domain.
 - Currently discussions are not available for public review and it is hoped that a public CC:DA space can be created on the ALA Connect site.
- [Library of Congress Representative report](#)
 - The LC-PCC Policy Statements are now fully published in the Official RDA Toolkit.
 - The [LC-PCC RDA Metadata Guidance Documentation](#) (MGDs) is now available on the LC website.
 - The LC-PCC RDA Test of the Official RDA will be starting soon. This test will determine how well the policy statements and MGDs function in Official RDA. The report from this test will influence when the new toolkit will be implemented and whether additional LC-PCC Policy Statements and Metadata Guidance Documentation updates and/or training will be required.
 - Improvements to the Library of Congress Subject Headings have been taking place including the updating of the headings Blacks to Black people, and the parallel heading Whites to White people. Consult the [report](#) for a detailed list of the changes.
- [PCC Liaison Report](#)
 - Gender will no longer be recorded in field 375 of personal name authority records (see [report](#))
 - The [Task Group to Test the Official RDA Toolkit](#) was charged in February 2022. Official RDA will not be implemented until after the report of the Task Group has been reviewed.
 - All reports of PCC Task Groups are available on the [PCC website](#).
 - The PCC is in the process of setting up a [wiki](#) which will be used to either post documents that are already approved by the PCC or to post documents that are still in draft form but where community input has been requested.
 - The [PCC RDA Communications Committee](#) has a feedback form that will be used to submit revisions to the LC-PCC Policy Statements, or any other questions and feedback.

In August, CC:DA requested comments on three RSC Proposals:

- [Proposal](#) to correct the terms "multipart monograph" and "serial"
- [Proposal](#) to adjust instructions in four "restriction on" elements in Manifestation and Item

- [Proposal](#) to amend and clarify instructions in Manifestation "place of" elements

No comments were received from the RBMS BSC Community. However, comments were received from CC:DA members. One comment that might be of interest is regarding the first [proposal](#) to correct the terms "multipart monograph" and "serials". Recommendation 9 in this proposal states: *"add "Use for" references from "serial" to "multiple unit" to provide guidance to those looking for "serial" as a mode of issuance"*. It has been suggested that this particular recommendation be reconsidered. The concerns raised are that cross references between "multiple unit serials" and "serial, multiple unit" are not necessary and in fact, the terminology in general is very confusing.

CC:DA members voted in favour of these comments and they will be brought forward to the ALA Representatives to the North American RDA Committee (NARDAC)

The [Core CC:DA Public Space](#) is now available and discussion posts can be viewed and posted by people who are not members of CC:DA.