Minutes (Draft)
Bibliographic Standards Committee
Virtual ALA Midwinter Meeting
Zoom, Friday, January 20, 2023
1:00 - 2:30 pm EST

Agenda

1. Welcome and announcements (BSC chairs)
2. Review of draft minutes from the BSC virtual meeting on October 17, 2022 (Grover)
3. Reports on BSC activities
    i. LC liaison (Théroux)
    ii. MAC liaison (Parascandola)
    iii. DCRMR Editorial Group (Adams/Grzegorski)
    iv. SCF Editorial Group (Ducmanas/Fell)
    v. Linked Data Implementation Steering Group (Washington)
4. Proposed BSC internship for underrepresented groups (Cumby)
5. Closing announcements (BSC chairs, all)

Members present: Zoe Dobbs, Beinecke Library, Yale University (co-chair)**;** Jennifer MacDonald, University of Delaware (co-chair); Liz Adams, Rubenstein Library, Duke University; Erin Blake, Folger Shakespeare Library; Brenna Bychowski, Beinecke Library, Yale University (ex officio: Controlled Vocabularies Editorial Group co-editor); Jamie Cumby, Grolier Club; kalan Knudson Davis, University of Minnesota; Lori Dekydtspotter, Lilly Library, Indiana University; Laura Doublet, University of Victoria; Matthew Ducmanas, Temple University; Stephanie Fell, University of Nevada, Las Vegas; Emily Grover, James Smith Noel Collection (secretary); Jessica Grzegorski, Newberry Library; Ryan Hildebrand, University of Oregon; Yoonha Hwang, Harvard College Library; Deborah J. Leslie, Folger Shakespeare Library; Rafael Linares, La Casa del Libro Book Museum; JP Mongeau, University of Delaware; Matthew Murphy, Milwaukee Public Library; Iris O'Brien, British Library; Jackie Parascandola, University of Pennsylvania; Andrea Schuba, University of Maryland; Noah Sheola, Boston College; Amy Tims, American Antiquarian Society; Jonathan Tuttle, Harvard University; Brittney Washington, Harry Ransom Center

Members absent: Patrick Crowley, Southern Connecticut State University; Tammy Druash, University of North Florida; Stephanie Geller, Santa Monica Public Library; Martha Lawler, Louisiana State University Shreveport; Danijela Matković, Beinecke Library, Yale University; Allie McCormack, Rhode Island Historical Society; Jessie Sherwood, Robbins Collection, University of California, Berkeley; Amanda Sprochi, University of Missouri

Liaisons: Manon Théroux, Library of Congress (Library of Congress liaison); Diane Dias De Fazio (Member-at-Large to the BSC)

<u>Visitors</u>: Cindy Cline, University of Kentucky; Abigail Connick, UCLA; Ellen Cordes, Lewis Walpole Library, Yale University; Maren Cornett, University of Delaware; Sarah Ganderup, Denver Public Library; Matthew Haugen, Columbia University Libraries; Libby Hertenstein, Ohio State University; Linda Isaac, Houghton Library, Harvard University; Michelle Mascaro, UC San Diego; Martha McTear, University of Washington; Christine Megowan, University of Edinburgh; Honor Moody, Harvard Library; Kate Moriarty, Saint Louis University; Audrey Pearson, Beinecke Library, Yale University; Paloma Graciani Picardo, Harry Ransom Center; Sara Schliep, Folger Shakespeare Library; Brian Stearns, University of Alberta

<u>Acronyms</u>:

ARM	Art and Rare Materials
BSC	Bibliographic Standards Committee
CERL	Consortium for European Research Libraries
DCRM(G)	Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials (Graphics)
DCRM-L	Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials listserv
DCRMR	Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials (RDA Edition)
DEI	Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
IFLA	International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions
LC	Library of Congress
LCAP	Library Collections Access Platform
LCSH	Library of Congress Subject Headings
LDI	Linked Data Implementation
LD4P	Linked Data for Production
MAC	MARC Advisory Committee
MGD	Metadata Guidance Documentation
OWL	Web Ontology Language
PCC	Program for Cooperative Cataloging
PS	Policy Statement
SCF	Standard Citation Forms

1. Welcome and announcements

The co-chairs welcomed attendees and reviewed meeting norms. Andrea Schuba monitored chat participation.

2. Review of draft minutes from the BSC virtual meeting on October 17, 2022 (Grover)

There were no questions or comments. The draft minutes were approved via Zoom poll during the meeting.

3. Reports on BSC activities

    a. LC liaison (Théroux)

Manon Théroux submitted a [report](#) and presented highlights of LC cataloging news since June 2022. The Special Collections Directorate has welcomed a new director, Jennifer Meehan. Notable staffing changes in the Acquisitions and Bibliographic Access Directorate include a new Rare Materials Section cataloger, Ronald Bogdan, and the hiring of three and retirement of two cataloging policy specialists in the Policy, Training, and Cooperative Programs Division.

The head of the LC Rare Materials Section has shared updates on the Recon Project, including a more accurate count of cards processed and a report on the status of the special files projects.

The "not before" date for the LC-PCC implementation of Official RDA has been pushed back to June 2023. Catalogers, with the exception of testers, should not use the Official RDA LC-PCC Policy Statements or MGDs until approved for implementation. LC-PCC Policy Statements and MGDs have been and will continue to be updated quarterly in accordance with RDA Toolkit changes. The PCC Official RDA Toolkit testers have completed their test records, and the evaluators expect to finish reviewing the testers' work by the end of January. The next step in the process will be a review performed by the PCC Task Group to Test the Official RDA Toolkit. Additionally, LC plans to conduct a separate internal test of its catalogers.

ALA-LC has approved the revision and addition of several Romanization tables. A [new draft table](#) is open for public comment.

The LCSH monthly editorial meeting, which is open to the public, has implemented a later start time: 11:00 a.m. Eastern. To streamline the approval process, LC is experimenting with the use of "expedited lists" of proposals that do not require in-depth review. The Māori subject headings are currently being revised to add diacritics. A notable proposal has been put forth to change the scope note of "Artists' books" so that the term will only refer to works about artists' books, not the specimens themselves.

As part of the ongoing effort to incorporate indigenous law into LC Classification, a new subclass of the K schedules has been released for indigenous law in Bolivia. LC held a series of panel discussions on the use of faceted subject headings. PCC has approved new guidelines for using ISO-639-3 language codes in MARC records. In LCAP news, LC has announced its selection of FOLIO to serve as its new ILS.

Théroux concluded by welcoming feedback from BSC members regarding the relevancy and depth of items presented in the LC Liaison report and suggestions for any additional topics they would like covered in future reports.

    b. MAC liaison (Parascandola)

Jackie Parascandola submitted a [report](#) and requested feedback on the MAC Proposals and Discussion Papers; questions and comments were due by the end of the day on January 20, 2023. Parascandola also announced that the January 19 meeting to review the 245 $i proposal has been postponed.

A discussion ensued regarding the MAC Proposals and Discussion Papers. [Proposal No. 2023-04](), [Discussion Paper No. 2023-DP03](), and [Discussion Paper No. 2023-DP04]() were specifically highlighted in the exchange. BSC members were encouraged to submit comments and questions to the MAC liaison, even if the comment is simply a brief statement of support or an expression of confusion about explanations or examples given.

c. DCRMR Editorial Group (Adams/Grzegorski)

Chief editors Liz Adams and Jessica Grzegorski submitted a [report]() and presented on the group's recent activities. In November 2022, the group announced the release of DCRMR 2022.2.0.0 to various rare book communities. The editors welcome suggestions for any additional listservs to which they can post this momentous news. The new version includes:

- Glossary
- Update to two elements (To reflect Official RDA)
- General rules for all elements
- Formatting and font changes
- Change log

The group was also pleased to share that with the November release, the DCRMR saw 6,900 visitors from all over the globe.

The Graphics Subgroup finished incorporating DCRM(G) into DCRMR in November 2022, and the first phase of internal review concluded the following month. Notable is the addition of "production" to Chapter 5. Ingestion of the Graphics material into DCRMR commenced at the end of December 2022 and is ongoing. Once the ingestion is complete, the group plans to proceed to the second phase of internal review, with an all-BSC review expected later in 2023.

As of January 13, the Policy Statements Subgroup has temporarily paused the drafting of policy statements for the RDA Toolkit. The subgroup plans to initiate internal reviews of completed PS drafts in February, and a full BSC review can be expected later in 2023. Proceeding to the review and approval stages will help the subgroup keep pace with changes in the RDA Toolkit as well as to gain more familiarity with the toolkit's CMS.

In collaboration with the LDI Steering Group, the DCRMR Editorial Group has formed a subgroup tasked with creating a DCRMR application profile for Sinopia. Under the guidance of the LDI Steering Group, this subgroup will work together with the LD4P Rare Materials Affinity Group. The DCRMR application profile may serve as a model for the development of future application profiles that can be used in RDA Toolkit.

d. SCF Editorial Group (Ducmanas/Fell)

Matthew Ducmanas and Stephanie Fell submitted a [report]() and shared updates on the group's activities since their last report. The editorial group welcomed three new members and a new co-editor, Stephanie Fell. Outgoing member Rafael Linares Blasini continues to serve as web team liaison. Twenty-two new citation forms have been added, and additions and updates continue to be announced on DCRM-L. Website traffic stats for 2022 remain consistent with numbers reported in 2021.

After favorable review of Yale University's project to convert standard citation forms into Wikidata, the editorial group has begun incorporating Wikidata URIs. A Wikidata URI field has been added to existing citation records as well as the citation template, and the group has completed about 75% (1,400 records) of the project to add the Wikidata URIs to existing SCF records. A subgroup will be formed to develop a workflow to create Wikidata items for new citations added in the future. The group extends their deep thanks to Zoe Dobbs and the other folks at Yale for their invaluable contribution to this SCF linked data initiative.

e. Linked Data Implementation Steering Group (Washington)

Brittney Washington submitted a report and presented on the group's recent activities. As referenced in the DCRMR Editorial Group report (see above), the LDI Steering Group is collaborating with the DCRMR Editorial Group and the Profiles Subgroup of the LD4P Rare Materials Affinity Group to develop a profile for use in a linked data environment. As part of this collaborative effort, LDI Steering Group and DCRMR Editorial Group members are reviewing profile elements in light of DCRMR and mapping them to RDA. The new profile should be ready to use in a linked data editor (e.g., Sinopia) within the next six months. This profile will also be reviewed by the DCRMR Editorial Group and BSC as a whole.

The LDI Steering Group has flagged a versioning issue with the Art and Rare Materials ontology, which needs to be brought into alignment with OWL specifications. Due to members' lack of expertise in this area, the group does not have immediate plans to address this problem. The chair issued a call for volunteers to assist the group with this ARM ontology project.

4. Proposed BSC internship for underrepresented groups (Cumby)

Jamie Cumby, chair of the DEI Steering Group, submitted an exploratory statement and presented the group's preliminary proposal to develop a BSC internship program. The internship would recruit library school students and early career librarians; establish a mentorship relationship between the intern and one of the BSC co-chairs; and assign BSC subcommittee tasks for the intern to complete. The aim of this program would be to increase diversity among committee members by offering a well-structured opportunity for underrepresented library professionals to get involved.

The chair issued a call for feedback, and a discussion ensued concerning funding/sponsorship, deliverables (including a RBMS Conference presentation or *RBM* publication), and distinctions between interns and regular members.

5. Closing announcements (BSC chairs, all)

The Houghton Library at Harvard University has a job opening for a permanent Special Projects Cataloger.

The IFLA Rare Books and Special Collections Section and CERL have organized an online conference titled "Libraries in the Time of War." The conference, hosted by Uppsala University Library, will take place on Thursday, March 16, 2023.

The meeting closed at 2:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted February 13, 2023, by Emily Grover, RBMS Bibliographic Standards Committee secretary.