SALSA consortium meeting
Friday April 11, 2014 / State Library Commission room

Attendance: NMSL (Brigitte, Chris, Devon, Lori, Brad); Chavez (Patricia, Amy); Art (Rebecca);
Hispanic (Greta); OSE/Literacy (Susan)
Attachment: Backstage clean-up project stats

A. Meeting schedule

Brad aims that we meet as frequently as need requires. Some regular schedule would work well. Perhaps at least quarterly. We can meet at various sites. To be scheduled soon: visits from Brad and others (Brigitte, etc.) to each member’s library.

B. Innovative Interfaces news

Brad reported on the initial III webinar featuring Kim and Bill. An upcoming webinar will feature the product upgrade schedules (“road maps”). Brad will send along any webinar announcements that he gets. (You can, too 😊)

C. Removing GMD from Chavez maps records

The State Library will try to get these subfields removed as soon as possible. If not via the next Backstage batch, then the State Library will try to do it using its staffing. This is a critical fix. The repair would restore the Chavez records to standard practice and would satisfy requirements related to Chavez’s grant-funded project.

D. Backstage clean-up project

The Backstage project involved
-- de-duplication of bib records
-- authority control processing
-- addition of some RDA elements to the bib records
Chris gave a great report on the work. She gave us statistical reports. We have about 44,062 bib records that weren’t de-dupped; rather they were flagged as near matches. We’ll study these records and make processing plans.

E. RDA Toolkit access
Brad discussed the "free" access available to Amigos members. Info here:
http://amigos.org/node/2324
NMSL is trying to license 5 simultaneous access users for its staff. Brad will pursue opportunities for funding RDA training for the consortium.

F. Quality Control of our database

We discussed the need to identify the cataloger who has the final say on quality control. In the past we started to discuss quality control and to organize a subcommittee. We discussed the possibility of using OCLC's RDA Policy Statement as a basis for our own statement. We will discuss in the future when and if we will require SALSA catalogers to contribute original cataloging following RDA. Here is the OCLC policy:
We discussed the Backstage options and will carefully study the choices, especially the RDA ones, before ordering future Backstage service.

G. Pros and cons of our consortium

We heard from most members and they all made positive comments! SALSA members pay OCLC and Amigos fees, but the State Library pays for Polaris. The State Library assists with policies and questions and training.

H. Our birthday party!

The Tech Services Bureau commits to celebrating the growth of Polaris on each year's First-Monday-in-May. So, if you can, please come to the State Library on Monday May 5th and we'll have Polaris's first birthday party! Details to follow.

I. Particular Polaris problems

We moved to the Electronic Classroom and studied several different Polaris problems. Details to follow in subsequent messages to the list.

Future topics:
-- Quality control
-- Public services needs; patron needs
-- Backstage options; handling the "near matches" identified in recent de-duping.

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