

System Manager Notes October 10, 2006

Today is Ellen Lasky's last System Managers' meeting. We will have cake and cider after the meeting.

GL 3.1 Upgrade

The upgrade seemed to go well. Troy had some problems.

*There is an Advanced Search helper now in Workflows. There is a problem with the indexes – the properties to change them are located in helpers so the system manager would have to play with them. We're not sure if this will work well for us.

*Family Returns – You can discharge and renew items (pay fines for multiple family members). The system will ask "Do you want to accumulate fines?" It is a property setting and some libraries will try it.

*Holds removed via iBistro caused problems, and that is now fixed.

*There is an option in iBistro Boolean searching which puts double quotes (“”) around search terms that have search operators in the title (NOT, AND, WITH, NEAR, OR, SAME). We will turn this on.

*iBistro can now display the number of renewals. We will turn this on.

*There are new Recommended Reading lists and Bestseller lists to be added. After discussion, we agreed that we would add the Mythopoeic Fantasy Awards, the National Outdoor Book Awards, and the National Book Critics Awards in Biography, Fiction, and Nonfiction. We also agreed to add the Christian Bestsellers award.

*Hyperion – The Open Archives Initiative is now available. We can select which collections would be available to be harvested by Google and other meta search crawlers. Also a separate Hyperion client is no longer needed. Staff can use the Hyperion toolbar on Workflows.

*Outreach is now available in the Java Client.

*In Checkout and Checkin it is possible to turn on a feature that shows a lot of data in the user record. The system managers asked for this to be turned on.

*Selections – This is a feature available for acquisitions staff. Access needs to be set up.

*We can now print from many circ wizards. We still can't print checkouts on a receipt printer.

*We can cut and paste now.

*We can't connect to NetLibrary titles. Why?

*We can't always get a link when clicking on a subject, author, etc. to get a list of other items with subject and author.

SVA

SVA is scheduled to call from 9am – 8pm, Monday through Thursday and from 9am – 5pm on Friday and Saturday. It can make a maximum of 1300 calls per day. It is set to only make 1 call per person. There is a problem with Failed Calls notices, but Kristen has a call in to Sirsi on this. The Board will be asked if it can add 2 more lines for calling out.

iBistro Holds Message

We have agreed to change the phrase “The hold map does not allow this hold,” to “This hold is not allowed.”

Round Robin

SHL: Ellen said goodbye, and thanks for all the support. This is a great cooperative group.

CLL: Vicki had a question about patrons using other people's cards for computer use. Patrons need to follow the policy. CHE is trying to get PINs to work.

SCS: There is a problem with bills. A box shows up every time. This is a property that can be changed. Renewals are having a box show up, and this is also a property.

EPL: The box for warning that a card has expired is not showing up. Check to see if this is a property. It should show up if the patron is within 30 days of having the card expire.

SCS: It is very slow. Half-boxes are showing up, white boxes are showing up, and the cursor is going away.

RSV: The Workflows debug file maxed on 2 machines. Why?

CHE: Before closing, Workflows wants staff to close everything (all boxes and screens). This is very annoying and needs to stop.

WPL: WWW's last open day will be October 13. They need to have items shadowed and no holds on the collection. The collection will be moved to WCV (Warren Civic Center). WAM will be closed on Mondays beginning November 1st. WCV will be open Monday – Saturday and will take on WAM hours. The street address is 1 City Center, but there is no phone number yet. It will open in December. They have a blog for the new library on the web site.

SBL: Create new icat1 for Playaway books: It will be DIGIBOOK. SBL, SCS, RSV, WPL, and MPL all ordered some of them. SCS hasn't gotten its order yet and wonders where it is.

TPL: Regarding the Pull Holds Report – Remember to use the most recent report when pulling holds. Staff need to make sure the items are put in transit, put on hold shelf, or marked as missing. They want 9XX ordering to work.

SCS: Make sure to check that all items in a multi-part set are there before overriding.

CHE: They are going to start selling flash drives to patrons.

Next Meeting

It will be at ROG on November 14, 2006.

Attendees

Margaret Smith	ARM
Lynn Minor	CHE
Holly Kirsten	CHE
Vicki Bernieri	CLL
Pat Price	EPL
Jason Van Hevel	LWM
Sandy Casamer	MCL
Annette Goike	MPL
William Blevins	ROG
Jackie Harvey	RSV
Diane Burgeson	SBL
Mary Woodford	SCS
Rosemary Orlando	SCS
Cathy McCullough Les	SHL
Ellen Lasky	SHL
Hedy Brodak	TPL
Meaghan Battle	TPL
Linda Horn	TPL
Marsha Doege	UPL
Oksana Urban	WPL