NCCCS-Learning Services Technology (formerly Library Resources) CCLINC End of Year Report 2005/06

Our copy catalogers, Kathy Overton and Malissa Oakley retired after 30 years of service. We have hired and trained Loreta Arballo and Doug Bechtol to fill those positions.

Ruth worked with the community college librarians and data coordinators to make sure everyone completed the NCHEDS report by the November 15th deadline. It was a little challenging this year because of a couple of vacancies in the directors positions in addition to a number of new directors.

The next federal report due will be the Academic Library Survey. Library directors should receive packets sometime in early fall. (probably in mid-October) This report will be due January 31, 2007. Ruth will be sending out more information as the time approaches.

After assessing what training sessions were needed on CCLINC functions, training was offered on Basic Reports, Cataloging, Circulation, Reserves, and Serials in the fall and Basic Reports, Cataloging, and Circulation in the spring. Colleen also did an additional training session on CCLINC cataloging at Gaston College, as well as one-on-one sessions upon request. Thanks to all of the trainers for continuing to serve the CCLINC community.

Ruth worked with Sirsi, the NCCCS State Board, legal affairs, finance office, and the State IT Procurement Office to secure a contract for continuation of the Service Agreement with Sirsi. This was a long drawn out process due of the new terms and conditions required by the State IT Procurement Office. The current service agreement contract is valid until June 30, 2008.

Ruth also worked with Solinet, the NCCCS State Board, our legal affairs, our finance office, and the State ITS Procurement Office to secure a new contract for Group Services (group catalog and unlimited cataloging) for all community college libraries. Currently this project is totally funded out of Learning Technology System funds.

Ruth secured funding through a grant for the De-duplication Project. Ruth and Colleen worked with Sirsi to fine-tune the parameters for the de-dupe of the CCLINC database. The automated process of the duplicates has been completed by Sirsi. The de-dupe process resulted in the elimination of over 26,000 duplications. Together with the work that has been done by Colleen and her staff on the potential duplicates that must be processed manually, these de-duplication efforts have reduced the size of the database

from around 830,000 bibs to around 751,000. The automated de-dupe had the added benefit of identifying and removing 484 serials holdings that had erroneously been attached to non-serial bibs during the conversion from Dynix.

Following are the figures for CCLINC cataloging from 1/1/2005—12/31/2005 for Colleen and her staff...

12,423 transfers
3,422 bibs created
2,158 records added
3,453 total slips done
330 titles originally cataloged
168 authority records created
157 titles removed
6282 volumes modified/edited
2039 titles modified/edited

The operating systems of the test and production servers have been upgraded in order to accommodate the new release of the Sirsi Client software. We plan to install the upgrade, release GL 3.1, on the test server (Thelma) the first week of July. After reviewing the upgrade on the test server for about a month, it will be installed on Louise. More information will be forthcoming about these upgrades.

Bill and Ruth have secured funding to replace the test (Thelma) and production (Louise) servers. Both are nearing end-of-life since they are now six years old. We should have the new servers implemented hopefully by the start of fall semester.

We have enjoyed working with the members of CCLINC this year.

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