

**Metadata Subcommittee  
Conference Call  
August 13, 2008**

Present on call:

Lu Ai (FCLA)

Gail Clement (FIU)

Daniel Cromwell (FCLA)

Catherine Gardiner (FGCU)

Helen Laurence (FAU)

Naomi Young (UF; Vice-Chair/Chair Elect)

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**DISC Collaboration Update**

Gail reported on the just-concluded monthly phone conference call of the Digital Initiatives Subcommittee (DISC), in which the priorities for collaboration between Metadata and DISC were discussed. A formal response will be forthcoming from DISC Chair Salwa Patel to Metadata Chair Emmett Denny, but the following points were mentioned:

1. Life Cycle Metadata – DISC'ers believe that this matter might be of mutual interest to three SUL Subcomms – DISC, Metadata and Special Collections. Discussion concluded with a recommendation to form a smallish ad hoc group comprising two or so volunteers from each subcommittee.

2. CAGER Guidelines revision – DISC devoted considerable time to this discussion point, confirming that, while Metadata is the steward of the Guidelines, DISC is very eager to participate in discussions and revisions of the guidelines. DISC sees as particularly helpful an expansion of the original scope of the CAGER Guidelines to include non-MARC metadata. This development is seen as critical by DISC because: (a) more digital library units are responsible for their own metadata creation and hence could greatly benefit from CAGER guidance; and (b) the MANGO/Endeca interface exposes variations in descriptive elements across metadata schemas far more visibly thanks to faceting. DISC also suggested that the revised Guidelines might also include recommendations concerning metadata mapping and display in Digitool. FCLA is particularly interested in having the CAGER Guidelines address the mapping matter to facilitate systems-wide decisions in Digitool.

As a thoughtful gesture, Naomi sought out and forwarded to the email list the updated LC mapping between MARC and Dublin Core.

**Update from FCLA on DLU01 and Digitool**

Daniel announced that FCLA has imported metadata from two Digitool collections into MANGO/Endeca – UWF's Photohistory collection, and the Florida Voices Oral History collection. Having this data now in the Union OPAC interface reveals issues with mapping and display that still need to be resolved. To view the digital collections via MANGO/Endeca, point the browser to <http://catalog.fcla.edu/>. (The records should also be available through each institution's own OPAC interface). To find the Digitool records

in MANGO/Endeca, leave the BASIC Search box empty, click on the 'Search' button, and look over at the "Narrow Results By:" sidebar on the left side of the screen. Scroll down to 'Subcollection' (at the bottom of the sidebar) and you will see the two PALMM collections listed: *Florida Voices* (62) and *West Florida Photo History* (5,000+). Clicking on either of these facets should retrieve all of the relevant items for the given digital collection. Daniel pointed out that, among the matters still to be resolved, is the presence of the E-book icon for digital resources that may not, in fact, be books (e.g., photographs, audio files, etc.).

Daniel explained that the metadata for these items was extracted out of Digitool as Dublin Core but had to be mapped to MARC for ingest into MANGO/Endeca. The question was raised of whether digital resource records that were MARC, not Dublin Core, could be extracted from DLU01, thereby avoiding the extra mapping step, was briefly discussed. In a nutshell, Digitool records in DLU01 have now been deleted from MANGO/Endeca, and from hereafter the records will come from Digitool.

### **Nominations for Vice Chair**

Naomi called for nominations for incoming Vice Chair for 2009, who would presumably go on to serve as Chair for 2010. Because of the small size of the group in attendance, it was decided to make the call via the email list, to reach all potential candidates.

### **Next Meeting**

There will be a conference call on Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at 2:00 pm (EST).

Respectfully submitted by:

Gail Clement