

**Quarterly Report of the
TSPC Authorities Subcommittee
May 2008**

Much of the work of the Authorities Subcommittee for March and April was included in the Authorities Subcommittee's report to SULIG this year in April at the Florida Library Association Annual Meeting in St. Petersburg. The entire report can be accessed from the CSUL homepage at <http://csul.net/tspc/authsub/reports/apr2008sulig.pdf>.

Elaine Winske (FIU) took on the responsibility to co-chair the Subcommittee with Priscilla Williams (UF), replacing Sue Wartzok (FIU).

The Authorities Subcommittee has continued to use the authorities list to discuss and advise, in collaboration with FCLA, on a host of issues involving authority control in Aleph and Endeca and worked on projects, as assigned.

Status report on Indexing:

- We're currently testing the direct indexes for the authority files in DEV 18.
- Mary Ann O'Daniel, (FCLA) has prepared a spreadsheet of proposed bib IND indexes and sent it to TSPC for discussion; will be finalized in 6/19/08 conference call

New LC Authority File:

FCLA will be purchasing a fresh retrospective LC authority file, tentatively in June. This will be much more cost-effective than loading all the updates to the file purchased last year.

Aleph Authority Reports:

FCLA is working on improving existing authority reports and generating new ones based on Subcommittee feedback. The first authority reports project was to produce reports showing the before and after versions of updated authority records in the shared Library of Congress Authority File in Aleph (LCA10). Library-specific reports are available through Aleph Arrow.

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