

Automation Committee Meeting
January 27th, 2021
Via Teams
Approved Minutes

Present:

Rebecca Adams, Anthony Arellano, Faythe Arredondo, Smruti Deshpande, Yvonne Galvan, Dani Haas, Mary Jo Lawrence, Brian Martin, Kristie Pratt, Mollie Roache and Chris Wymer (chair)

Also Present: Mike Drake, Kevin Nelson, Logic Vang, Aaron Lusk, Tisha Smith, Melissa Kulmer, Anne Marie Montgomery, Mark Lewis

- I. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Chris Wymer.
- II. Roll call was conducted.
- III. Adoption of Agenda – The agenda was adopted as distributed.
- IV. Comments from the Public - None.
- V. The minutes of November 18th, 2020 were adopted after correcting two spelling errors.
- VI. Projects for Discussion and Action
 - A. Introducing New Delivery Supervisor Tisha Smith – Wymer/Smith
 1. Fresno County’s new delivery supervisor, Tisha Smith was introduced to the committee. She looks forward to working with members to make sure their delivery needs are met. She provided an update on ordering library cards. Work has started on a new library card RFP and transitioning library card orders to SJVLS.
 - B. BC MobileStaff Kiosk Mode Demonstration - Kulmer
 1. Melissa Kulmer from SirsiDynix provided an overview of the new Kiosk mode feature that will be added to MobileStaff in the upcoming release. Kiosk mode will allow libraries to use MobileStaff on a tablet as a self-check station. Kulmer demonstrated how to configure the option, as well as what the process looks like to checkout items.
 - C. ILS RFP Update – Wymer
 1. Wymer provided an update on the ILS RFP. At the January 15th meeting, the Administrative Council approved the recommendation to award the RFP to SirsiDynix for the self-hosted Horizon bid. Wymer informed the committee that the first draft of the contract came in yesterday, and he has not had a chance to look it over yet. The contract will be sent to SJVLS’s attorney for review. Wymer also reminded the committee that he needs to know if they are interested in a quote for CEP by the 29th.
 - D. FY 20-21 Budget – Wymer
 1. Wymer provided an update on the current fiscal year’s ILS budget. Currently, there is \$13,616 remaining in the ILS budget line, however, that could be reduced if funds are reallocated to pay for the EZ Proxy annual license renewals. Wymer asked the committee for their input on potential one-time purchases that relate to the ILS. Some

potential options included, purchasing enhancements for the public catalog, paying for a service to help clean-up and update old MARC records that are missing fixed field elements, or custom consulting services from SirsiDynix to improve catalog functionality. Different enhancements to the catalog were shown, including a “Rivers” display for search results, a kid’s catalog template, and a “Bento Box” display. Roache asked about the possibility of adding a kid’s template to the public catalog, and other committee members liked the idea. The committee also was interested in pursuing the catalog records clean up, because it is a task that staff would not be able to accomplish on their own. Wymer will gather information about costs for the kid’s profile and records clean up.

E. Staff Passwords – Wymer

1. The recent Horizon update introduced the ability to define a password complexity profile for both staff and user accounts. While the committee decided to wait to implement patron passwords, Wymer wanted to get the staff password complexity profile established. The committee went through each configurable option for passwords and decided on the setting for each option. Deshpande pointed out that we will need to update our default password, so it meets the complexity requirements. Porterville motioned to adopt the password complexity requirements as they were developed, and Tulare Public seconded. The motion passed.

F. HIP Decommissioning – Wymer

1. Wymer informed the committee that SJVLS will be shutting down the automatic redirect from HIP to Enterprise on February 16th, 2021. System staff have been monitoring traffic on the redirect, and at this point it appears most of the activity is coming from web crawlers. Wymer asked committee members to do one final check for links to HIP on their websites and update them if found.

G. Enterprise Summary Holdings Widget – Wymer

1. Wymer introduced a new feature that was added to the catalog, the summary holdings widget. The widget will allow us to display holdings information on the search results display. Wymer still needs to figure out how to add a custom sort function to the holdings display, so the libraries of the profile being viewed display first.

H. Status Report on Projects – Drake/Nelson/Wymer

1. Nelson gave an update that the PC Order was finally placed. He had difficulty getting it placed because Dell kept changing the items in the quotes to items we didn’t want to order. The CDW orders are starting to show up. Nelson will work with shipping to get items sent to the members. Nelson is working with Greg on getting Year 6 upgrades moving. CENIC has not provided a start date, but they are shipping equipment to Fresno and Kern County headquarters for the 10 GB upgrade. He does not know when the branch upgrades will start. Nelson also has not heard back from the State Library on the wireless upgrades for branches.
2. Drake updated the committee on his work with Federated Search for ProQuest databases and eBook Central in Enterprise. He provided the committee with a preview of the search in the test profile he created. Drake also provided an overview of different ways the sources could be searched using terms other than keywords.
3. Wymer informed the committee that the work on the mobile template for Enterprise is nearly completed. Wymer showed a demo of the mobile template. Wymer wants to make the template live on March 1st. He is going to complete some final cleanup work and then provide the URL to the JSAs so staff can have a chance to familiarize themselves with the new layout. He will add a note about ValleyCat going mobile to Enterprise profiles 2 weeks before the new layout launches. Wymer has also been

spending some time working on the ISBN indexes. Pratt reported that there was a bib record in Enterprise with a 13-digit ISBN that did not have that ISBN in the MARC record in Horizon. Wymer has worked with SirsiDynix support to identify the source of the problem, which included re-indexing the ISBN exact match index. Wymer informed the committee about a bug in the way Horizon indexes titles in the title browse index when there is an 880 tag linked to the 245 tag. Horizon is ignoring the non-filing indicators when entering the title in the title browse index. SirsiDynix has acknowledged that it's most likely a bug and is working to figure out what's happening. Catalogers have been given a workaround for the time being. Wymer informed the committee that the Spanish language version of the self-registration form is finally ready to go. Wymer will send a link to the form once it's live.

VII. The next Automation Committee meeting will be February 24th, 2021 online via Teams.

VIII. Announcements –

1. There were no announcements.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 p.m.