PrairieCat MARC/MARC Trainees Catalogers Meeting
Meeting Minutes
June 12, 2025, | 11:15 AM – 1:00 PM | Zoom

ATTENDANCE: Bonny (PC), Brown (FR), Brozovich (RP), Chapman (RL), Dean (WL), Elsner (HC), Evans (SY), Fine (PR), Finnerty (NCK), Grega (CC), Groth (EM), Hancock (LP), Hotchkiss (LP), Landis (PC), Magierski (HR), McSweeney (HD), Metzger (BL), Mladic (LP), Sangston (MA), Slanicky (PC), Swanson (CC), Tedder (PC), Thomas (RP), Totton Schwarz (WO), Ward (YK), Zanelli (PC).

1. Call to Order and Welcome
The meeting was called to order at 11:15 AM.

2. Roll Call
The attendance was taken from the Zoom attendance report.

3. Review and Approval of Agenda
Tedder (PC) requested item 7.2 **"856 tags in non-e-resources"** be added to the agenda.

The following motion was made:

- **Motion to approve the agenda made by:** Sangston (MA)
- **Seconded by:** Totton Schwarz (WO)
- **Vote result:** Motion passed with no opposition

4. Approval of Minutes

4.1 From August 8, 2024, Meeting

The following motion was made:

- **Motion to approve the minutes as written made by:** Brozovich (RP)
- **Seconded by:** Groth (EM)
- **Vote result:** Motion passed with no opposition

4.2 From February 13, 2025, Meeting

Attendees were asked if there were any corrections to the distributed minutes. Totton Schwarz (WO) pointed out a typo in the February 13, 2025 MARC minutes section 9.4, #1. Change "on0order" to "on-order".

The following motion was made:

- **Motion to approve the minutes with one correction made by:** Evans (SY)
- **Seconded by:** Sangston (MA)
- **Vote result:** Motion passed with no opposition

5. Pending Products and Updates
There were no formal updates under this section, but members were reminded to keep an eye on PrairieCat communications for upcoming product or process changes.

6. New Topics

6.1. Subject Heading Changes
Recent updates to Library of Congress subject headings were shared:

ARN 2019707: "Mexico, Gulf of" was changed to "America, Gulf of" in March 2025

ARN 2007466: "Denali, Mount (Alaska)" was changed to "McKinley, Mount (Alaska)" in March 2025

PrairieCat will reflect these updates accordingly in its records and follow Library of Congress (LOC) guidance for future changes.

During the record review, it was noted that the subject subdivisions were not converted, for example:

Subject   651   0   America, Gulf of|xEnvironmental conditions.

Subject   650   0   Human ecology|zMexico, Gulf of.

Tedder (PC) has submitted a ticket with Innovative for clarification.

7. Reminders

7.1. Bibliographic Record Integrity
A reminder was provided about the importance of maintaining consistency between local Sierra records and the master records in WorldCat. Edits made in Sierra that differ from the official WorldCat record can lead to misrepresentation and confusion. Members were advised to follow PrairieCat policy when dealing with multi-volume graphic novels and to report suspicious or incorrectly edited WorldCat records.

7.2. 856 Tags in Non-E-Resources
Discussion took place regarding proper handling of 856 tags. According to PrairieCat's Technical Services Policies, URLs should only remain in a record if they link to the electronic resource, a cataloged website, or the full text version of a title. All other instances should have the 856 tag removed. Members were reminded to check their Export Settings located in Connexion by following the path below and making sure that 856 is included, along with tags 029, 084, 648, and 776. The 856 tag is a protected field. If a record in Sierra already has an 856 tag, overlaying the record will not remove the 856 tags. The tag must be removed manually in Sierra.

Tools > Options > Export > Field Export Options (button)

It was asked if the presence of the URL in the 037 field would cause any problems. Tedder (PC) will review and update.

8. BYPT (Bring Your Problems Time)
Attendees shared cataloging challenges they were encountering. Topics discussed included local edits, inconsistent MARC fields, and OCLC communication.

9. Meeting Review
No feedback was provided regarding what worked and what did not.

10. Questions and Comments
Time was given for final questions or additional comments from attendees.

10.1 MARCIVE and Uploading Records in OCLC

Brozovich (RP) asked whether a replacement has been found for MARCIVE and the process of updating holdings in WorldCat?

It was clarified that these are two separate and different processes. MARCIVE was the vendor PrairieCat used to process bibliographic records through for the checking and changing of RDA coding, plus the addition of Accelerated Reader study notes, Lexile coding, and authority processing, while the OHM (OCLC Holdings Manager) process (formerly referred to as "batchloading") is used to update PrairieCat's holdings in WorldCat.

MARCIVE closed in December 2024 and PrairieCat is seeking an alternative solution to the services provided. OHM/batchloading is handled and managed by SWAN. Due to complications with the OHM process in mid-2024, holdings updates (adding and deleting) have not occurred as expected.

PrairieCat is in communication with SWAN to determine the status of the process. In the meantime, libraries that know how to manually remove their holdings may do so. If assistance is needed, please submit a help desk ticket and Tedder (PC) can assist.

11. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm.

12. Next Meeting
The next MARC/MARC Trainees meeting will take place on **Thursday, August 14, 2025**, via Zoom at **11:15 AM**.