NCIP Conference Call  
March 18, 2010

Present on the call

Sue Boettcher - 3M  
Mary Jackson - Auto-Graphics  
Susan Campbell - College Center for Library Automation (CCLA)  
Rob Walsh - EnvisionWare (Maintenance Agency)  
Mike Dicus - Ex Libris  
Karen Wetzel - NISO  
Tony O’Brien - OCLC  
Dan Iddings - PALCI  
Rob Gray - Polaris  
Dhaval Kotecha - RapidRadio  
Dushyant Upadhyay - RapidRadio  
Kevin Stewart - Relais International  
Brent Jensen - SirsiDynix  
Gail Wanner (Chair) - SirsiDynix

Agenda

Updates from Implementers

Dicus indicated that Ex Libris is currently testing with Relais International with the hopes of releasing to production in the next few months. This implementation is based on Version 1.

Kotecha and Dushyant provided an overview of RapidRadio’s NCIP implementation. They have implemented against Version 2 and their system is focused on RFID hardware and middleware. They collaborate with six ILS vendors in India and the surrounding countries. They have implemented Lookup Item, Lookup Agency, Lookup User, Check In Item, Check Out Item, Undo Check Out Item, and Renew Item. They have plans to implement Recall Item and Cancel Recall Item. They are trying to obtain certification from SirsiDynix. Gray asked what it means to be certified by SirsiDynix. Wanner said that this shows that an initiator has tested with various SirsiDynix ILS platforms.

Kotecha asked where RapidRadio can add value to the NCIP-IG. Walsh indicated that their real-world experience as implementers would be valuable, and Wanner added that their perspectives on the challenges associated with internationalization are important. O’Brien said that the group welcomes their diversity and fresh perspectives.

Kotecha suggested that the NCIP-IG should be more proactive in branding NCIP and working to eliminate the perceived barriers to entry. He identified a need for more
education around how to implement as well as a need to do more to encourage implementation.

The group agreed to add RapidRadio to the NCIP-IG list serve.

Standards Updates

Wanner reported that recent email exchanges with a European consultant suggest that, in Europe, the fact that NCIP is a NISO standard (and not an ISO standard) hinders adoption. She indicated that she will add an agenda item to discuss this more fully at the April meeting.

Outreach

Wanner reminded the group that we previously decided to hold a social event at ALA Annual in Washington, D.C. The group indicated that the event should be held Sunday, June 27, at 5:30 pm. Wetzel volunteered to recommend a few potential locations near the exhibits hall. The group identified the following forums for promoting the event:

• NCIP General Interest List
• NCIP Website
• eXtensible Catalog Group
• LLAMA/RUSA STARS List
• NISO Member List

Wetzel suggested that we need a clear message and event details before sending out any announcements. Wanner added that we should stress that this is not a sponsored event; each attendee should expect to pay for his or her own food and drink. Iddings suggested that we bill the event “Meet the Implementers.”

Spring Meeting

Wanner asked for an informal and non-binding headcount of those who may be planning to attend the spring meeting in Syracuse. Campbell, O’Brien, Iddings, Walsh, Dicus, Stewart, Wanner, Gray, and Boettcher each indicated having plans to attend. Jackson is hopeful that she will be able to attend. The meeting will be held at The Craftsman Inn. It is a hotel and conference center about 20-30 minutes from the Syracuse airport. The program is planned for 2 1/2 days, concluding around noon on Thursday, April 29. Gray reviewed an email he had previously sent to the NCIP-IG list with some logistical information, and he offered to help coordinate transportation for any who might need it.

Boettcher indicated that 3M has plans to develop SIP 3.0 and invited any with an interest in helping with that effort to plan to stay and discuss Thursday afternoon after the formal meeting concludes.
Wanner reviewed the proposed agenda for the spring meeting. O’Brien suggested that some discussion of SIP 3.0 should be part of the agenda. Wanner said it could be discussed during the Implementers Updates. Jensen added that it would help us to know the details and the direction that 3M has planned.

O’Brien indicated that we should consider time in the agenda for real-time editing and review of the schema as we work through the various change requests that need to be addressed at the meeting.

Next Call

The group agreed to hold the call on April 15, 2010, at 1:00 pm Eastern as scheduled. The purpose of the call will be to review any last minute concerns prior to the meeting to be held a few weeks after.

Adjournment

Wanner adjourned the call.