

# V-Cat Bibliographic and Interface Committee Report - June 2023

Last meeting Tuesday, May 9, 2023

SkyRiver demo from Gina Rae (NWLS)

- Cataloging utility
- Innovative Interfaces product, works with Sierra and other ILSs (including Koha)
- Z39.50 is still available as an alternative

OCLC discussion

- OCLC contract runs July-June and is budgeted for this year. No change would be made before July 2024. A change would need to be decided several months in advance.
- SkyRiver has been quoted at significantly less than the cost of OCLC. Formal demo will be scheduled, along with access to a sandbox.
- OCLC has worldwide reach and is a near monopoly. SkyRiver is competition to OCLC, but much smaller.

Jigsaw puzzle cataloging procedure.

- Rachel demonstrated instructions. The goal is to standardize and ensure consistency in the V-Cat catalog. The bibs can be brief but will meet our minimum standards.

Report of the ILS Administrator

- Updating Sierra location codes
- Detailed shelf locations in Aspen

Aspen updates:

- Blu-ray/DVD combo, Book + CD-ROM, Book + CD, Book + DVD. Display is now more consistent after meeting with Aspen.
- Larger print. Rachel demonstrated instructions for editing a bib record to ensure "Larger print" titles display as "Book". The edits are necessary to ensure consistency in the catalog and adhere to V-Cat guidelines. See <https://wvls.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/2021.09.02-Recommendation-on-Large-Print-Materials.pdf> for additional explanation.
- Playaway formats. Designated Aspen format labels for the 5 types of Playaway owned in V-Cat and Vox books (different-brand equivalent of Wonderbook) in a way that is: 1. Accurate 2. Differentiates each type 3. De-emphasizes brand name when possible:
  - Playaway = Portable Audiobook
  - Playaway Wonderbook/Vox book = Read-Along Book
  - Playaway View = Portable Video Player
  - Playaway Launchpad = Playaway Launchpad
  - Playaway Backpack = Book + Portable Audiobook

Report of the ILS Support Specialist

- Diacritics update:
  - 4100 bib records were sent to BackStage for correction.
  - 252 were not corrected through BackStage's mapping process. Rachel is hoping to work with BackStage on a solution. If none can be found, Rachel will work on them manually.

Remaining 2023 Meeting dates: August 8, October 3, December 5

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