# **ILS Report July 2023**

#### Bibliovation 7.02.36 point release upgrade

LibLime added some additional fixes to the Bibliovation sandbox, which is point release 7.02.36. SCLS staff have tested the fixes in the sandbox. The production upgrade is scheduled for August 1, 2023 at 9pm. For the latest information on Bibliovation fixes and the release notes for the upgrade, see the Bibliovation Support page at: <a href="https://www.scls.info/bibliovation-support">https://www.scls.info/bibliovation-support</a>.

#### Marshfield bibliographic record cleanup

We are continuing to work through MFD unique records. One of the Cataloging Assistant LTEs (Stefanie) is working on this project.

#### **OverDrive API Integration**

The API integration will allow patrons to check OverDrive title availability information from LINKcat. SCLS staff will be following up on this project with LibLime after LibLime has added the next Bibliovation upgrade of 7.04 to our sandbox. We will be working on 7.04 after the remaining high-priority 7.02 bugs are fixed (these bugs are listed on the <u>Bibliovation support</u> page).

#### **DVD TV series retrospective cataloging**

Some libraries are interested in re-packaging their TV series DVDs that were previously circulated separate into one set. We will be starting this project in the fall (we don't have a specific date yet). We are working on an on-demand report that library staff can you to help select sets for re-packaging. Library staff can then submit the request to the Madison Catalogers, who will catalog the title and season as a full set. After that is finished, libraries can begin circulating the title and season as a full be able to submit up to five sets per month to Madison. We will be posting instructions for the report and the procedure in the fall after we have a starting date.

## New Linking Manual appendix covering bootleg DVDs

Over the past several years, libraries have unknowingly purchased bootleg copies of movies or TV series on DVD. (Libraries have also received bootleg DVDs as gifts.) This can happen when the movie or TV series has not been officially released on DVD or Blu-ray; however, third-party vendors selling via Amazon or eBay have recorded the movie or TV series (likely off of a streaming service), burned them to DVDs, created professional looking packaging, and then sold them to unsuspecting customers.

When SCLS or Madison staff have been notified or have noticed that a bootleg maybe have been added to LINKcat, we will research the title to determine whether the title is a legitimate release. If a library does inadvertently add a bootleg DVD to LINKcat, then the DVD will have to be removed from the catalog. Because it can be challenging to spot a bootleg at the time of purchase or when receiving a gift, we have compiled information about bootleg DVDs in a new Linking Manual appendix, which is Appendix M, available at https://www.scls.info/sites/www.scls.info/files/sxvi-appendixm.pdf.

## Talkingtech aka Harriet

The phone line installation was not completed in time for the move, so temporary work-arounds were created to let the patrons who use Talkingtech for phone voice notifications could still get their notices. The physical data line and equipment was installed on July 18<sup>th</sup> but the lines have not been activated yet so we still do not have phone service. We are working with the vendor to expedite this process.

We are also working on PR to let patrons who have Talkingtech voice notices know about the other hold notice options. Information about the alternatives was also added to the temporary email and mail notices.

## Reports

- ILS Reports archive: Older reports have been moved to an archived location. Directions for accessing the archive have been posted at the top of the Reports page.
- Working on an On Demand DVD repackaging report.
- A report to create temporary calling lists and mail and email notices for the patrons who normally receive Talkingtech phone calls was created and is being run until the phone line install is completed.

## Marketplace Analysis

A small group of SCLS and member library staff reviewed various ILS-related services at ALA. ILS vendors that the group checked in with included Clarivate (Polaris) and SirsiDynix (Symphony). Symphony appears to have had further development to its web-based version since we checked on it last year. The group also looked at some discovery layers including offerings from Clarivate (Vega Library Experience (LX) suite), SirsiDynix and ByWater Solutions (Aspen). Vega and Aspen seem to have more to offer than our current discovery layer. The ILS Committee will have a discussion regarding how to proceed with these two services.

SCLS staff have also prepared a timeline to guide the regular review of ILS-related 3<sup>rd</sup> party products. The timeline is available here: <u>https://www.scls.info/sites/www.scls.info/files/meetings/2023-07/timeline-thirdpartyproductsreview.pdf</u>.

## Selfchecks, sorters and RFID

- Scheduling the install of the Central Management software on the remaining Envisionware selfchecks.
- We are also compiling a list of Envisionware selfcheck software versions so that we can start working on updating the selfcheck software.

## Subcommittee and Workgroup Meetings

- Circulation Services Subcommittee: July 11, 2023
- Collection Maintenance Subcommittee: July 12, 2023
- Discovery Interface Subcommittee: July 19, 2023
- Local Holds Workgroup: The ILS Committee sunsetted the workgroup at their June meeting.

## **Other ILS Staff Meetings**

- Meetings with LibLime: July 11, July 25
- MPL Catalogers Meetings: July 11

## Authority Control and Database Maintenance

July 2023 Authority Control/Batch Deletes

• 16,111 items and 2,573 bibliographic records (with only withdrawn items attached) were deleted in the monthly batch deletion of withdrawn items.

- 2,378 bibliographic records with no items attached (that were created before 4/1/23) were deleted from the database.
- 3,401 bibliographic records were newly cataloged and/or updated in the database between 6/29/2023 and 7/25/2023.