

**Technology Committee Minutes**  
**November 09, 2004**  
**Rolling Prairie Library System**

Meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Chairperson, Shelley Koehler.

Present were: Shelley Koehler, Shelbyville; Tim Childers, LL Springfield; Pat Burg, Illinois State Museum; Debbie Webb, Chatham; Eileen Curry, Windsor; Ann Adkesson, Warrensburg, Jean Campbell, Forsyth; Jo McLain and Paul Johnson RPLS.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were approved with one correction.

Jo McLain reported on the CODI Conference from which she has just returned. Her main points were:

- 1) Regarding the current status of our position since going online with Dynix: We are doing what we are supposed to be doing.
- 2) Jo was helped and encouraged by librarians from other states and countries to make changes in the way the system operates.
- 3) Several upgrades and changes are upcoming, starting with Jan/Feb when we upgrade to 7.4 and HIP 4.0. Following in the fall will be HIP 8.0 which is a major departure with greater opportunity for customizing to accommodate "agency" based features, and ultimately "user" based features.
- 4) Certain features that are possible may be somewhat controversial such as patron access to certain circulation records, and off site cataloging capabilities.

Paul reported on the "Recommended Priorities for Additional LLSAP Functionality" that will receive the greatest attention from (various) committees and the RPLS Staff members within the fourth quarter of '04 and the first quarter of '05. They are as follows:

- 1) Serials. Guidelines are being worked out and some libraries have started coordinated entry of bib records for serials. There are three levels of records for bib records for serials depending on the amount of detail required.
- 2) HIP 4. HIP 4 will require no additional cost and minimal member library training.
- 3) Webfeat. Jo consulted with our rep about this at CODI.
- 4) Reportwriters. To many this is more critical an issue than Webfeat; Terry is working on reports.
- 5) Acquisitions. Some libraries use the module now, but with more information there might be greater demand from libraries. Serials are considered a higher priority because all libraries have them.
- 6) Percon Portable Inventory Devices. Still in the experimental stages, these are being field tested in Central A & M. RPLS may acquire more or instruct libraries to purchase their own if the outcome is good. Accurate inventories could impact the database.

Shelley reported that the "wish list" from the survey concerning desirable changes to the current system will be compiled into a chart that will rate the possibility of achieving the change and the proposed date for doing so. She is still consulting with Terry on the feasibility of some of the "wishes".

The next meeting of the Technology Committee will be on January 11, 2005 at RPLS at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10: 55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Campbell