

MAC5 Meeting

January 25, 2010

LLC

Present: Sandra Wilson, Sheryl VanderWagen, Greg VanderZyl, Jean Zabielski, Jeff Lezman, Roz Joshua, Lin Light, Susan Kroes

Call to order and approval of agenda.

SkyRiver Cataloging Service:

- Sandra distributed the price quote of \$49,500 for an annual subscription, which is less than the budget for OCLC at \$80,000.
- Susan discussed her phone call to West Bloomfield library concerning SkyRiver. They use B&T order records (.30 each) until full records from SkyRiver are available. They have not been using Connexion for a few years, relying on Z39.50 until SkyRiver. They do not do original cataloging.
- Sandra reviewed her emails with MSU. They are totally on SkyRiver now, but are negotiating with OCLC to still attach items to their holding symbol. They are happy with their service with SkyRiver, and the transition from Connexion was smooth.
- Sandra reviewed her emails with MLC that concerned questions about OCLC batch loading if Connexion was no longer the bibliographic source.
- Sandra discussed SkyRiver's answers to some questions raised at the Webinar on January 6, 2010, especially best sellers and how quickly the bib records arrive.
- Sheryl discussed the potential issue with loading SkyRiver records into MelCat.

A general discussion ensued about the pros and cons of switching MARC bib records, ILL, costs of each Cataloging center as OCLC stand alones, and the particulars of the contractual arrangement with SkyRiver. The consensus is to not rush into any decision until all the facts are available.

Next meeting will be Monday, February 22, 2010 at 1:30 PM at Lakeland Library Cooperative.