BCCATS Fall meeting
September 18, 2015

Vancouver Public Library 7th Floor Boardroom

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<u>MINUTES</u>

1. Approval of the agenda
Email from Mac Elrod (SLC) re: Fictitious character subject heading discussion on AUTOCAT. Proposal potentially encompasses much more than meets the eye. Graphic presented by Samuel Richmond (VPL) illustrates bigger problem. Proposal to take the conversation to NACO but that has already happened without result. The local implementation is problematic with consortium-based work. Discussion will be deferred until higher levels engage with it. No agenda amendment.

2. Amendments to the minutes of May 19 Spring meeting
Hackfest - VPL catalogues 200 eBook titles per week, not per month
Samuel Richmond misidentified as Samuel Richardson in Section 6.
Approved as amended.

3. Business arising from the minutes
No business arising.

4. Round table introductions and reports
Reports will be available online as Appendix to Minutes.

5. New business

5.1 Report from the chair (Samuel Richmond)

Standing call for elections to T.S. awards committee - does this happen here or continue elsewhere? 3 vacancies need to be filled. Samuel R. is on the committee. Both other members (Ryan Vernon and Janette McConville) will stand again.

5.2 Continuing Education report (Lynn Brockington)

Software Carpentry workshop in July 2015. 23 attended. Seemed to be well received. Trevor S. and Karen N. from BCCATS attended. 2 day conference allowed collaboration between students who brought their own projects. Some participants will continue to work, including Trevor.

MarcEdit workshop in October with Terry Reese (Head of Dig Initiatives, Ohio State University) at Langara. Convenor asked for "real life" problems to discuss at the workshop, if any BCCATS people are attending. Ryan will send directions for people who are attending.

Suggestions for future workshops included programming/coding/linked data, nothing concrete has been developed yet. Suggestions for workshop leaders are welcome.

Query: Are webinars possible for people who can't attend in person? Some topics are well covered already with available free online resources (e.g. YouTube) but there may be a need for interactive webinars for continuing education.

5.3 BCLA conference program proposals

a) Richard V. proposal to repeat Cataloguing non-print materials in RDA pre-conference workshop. BCLA hasn't held pre-conferences lately and probably won't in future - cost is an issue apparently. 3 options: drop it ; create non-conference-related workshop ; use OLAC standards for 75 min. conference on video cataloguing.

Penny S. suggests that it might be worth reminding BCLA that Technical Services is traditionally very under-represented at BCLA conferences, so we might have something coming to us in the way of pre-conferences or sessions. Linda W. willing to approach BCLA, as BCCATS workshops have always been financially successful for BCLA. Can also pursue a conference session paired with an all-day non-print cataloguing session. Sitka may also be able to provide streaming support for a conference session (Jennifer P.).

Also need people within BC to cover some topics, to save costs. Need video, sound recordings, serials, eBooks. Some previous presenters may be willing to share slides.

b) Trevor S. proposal for Hackfest on best practices for vendor batch editing. Title is wanting, but idea is salient. Discussion in the room reveals several approaches to batch editing -- probably this workshop would require a survey of approaches/processes. Could be worth developing as a 75 min. BCLA session including a panel of people with passion/interest and knowledge. Might be useful to do a "dry run" for BCLA at code4lib beforehand, in workshop format. Trevor S. will propose to code4lib and send out a survey in preparation.

c) Samuel R. proposal for Rethinking discovery of popular fiction. Some potential panelists have shown interest, but mostly from Readers Advisory side, no cataloguers have expressed interest yet. Someone from WVML might be interested. Cataloguers + RA/Teacher-Librarians/Collection Development could combine their skills to create an effective panel. According to previous proposal guidelines, BCLA requires commitments from panelists included with the proposal. Joint front line/back room sessions could be very well received at BCLA conference.

Melissa L. (Thompson-Nicola RL) interested in batchfiles but in-person attendance not really an option - streaming option is desirable but BCLA might not be amenable. Possible to use Periscope to self-stream.

5.4 RDA batchfile enhancements

Question was whether people are actually using BLW for enhancing batchfiles. It appears not. Effective in discovering "cleanliness" of the database, and revealing

CJDB e-journal records. Should 33x tags be displayed in CJDB records? If all users of the CJDB records are adding those fields maybe they could be added globally.

5.5 Database cleanup

Penny S.: Cleaning up location codes in anticipation of possible ILS migration.

Samuel R.: Authorities and the genre invasion. If genre heading index is separate, must take care that they authorize correctly with batch loading.

Discussion of FAST headings, their purpose and function. (Mostly constructed in anticipation of a linked data environment, which doesn't yet exist)

Genre can be used as a filter for faceted searching as opposed to precoordinated headings. Surrey SD changes records on an encounter basis, but it has been done inconsistently.

Further discussion of genres, their usefulness for users and shelving issues. Issues around flexibility with breaking out popular genres vs. keeping others together with 650 headings. Fiction discovery through genres is problematic because of genre crossovers etc. Local collections could be tweaked.

6. Other business

Thanks to Sarah at VIU who continues to send out the updates to BCCATS.

7. Next meeting

Pending knowledge of date and location of BCLA conference, BCCATS next meeting planning will be deferred to email list.

8. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.

BCCATS Round Table Report September 2015
Sitka, BC Libraries Cooperative
Submitted by Jennifer Pringle and Cynthia Ng

Currently 83 libraries using a shared ILS on Evergreen. 3 new libraries and one school district comprising 16 libraries will have joined by the end of 2015.

BC Libraries Cooperative Recent and Current Projects in Technical Services:

- Evergreen Upgrade – The BC Libraries Cooperative successfully updated our instance of Evergreen from version 2.6 to 2.8 in July.
- KPAC – The kid friendly version of the Evergreen OPAC will be piloted at 8 libraries by the end of the year.
- De Duplication Project – The BC Libraries Cooperative is continuing to work with member libraries to develop a de-duplication script which can be run on a regular basis.

Co-op Support Related to Cataloguing:
- Continuing Training – Co-op Support offers continuing training webinars to Sitka libraries. These have included a session on using fixed fields (Control Fields) in Evergreen which we will be repeating in October and a session on cataloguing in a consortium at Beyond Hope in Prince George which was repeated as a webinar in August.
- Ongoing Support – In addition to our existing resources Co-op Support has begun creating under 5 minute videos on different functions in Evergreen, designed so staff can easily watch when they have spare few minutes. Some of the videos cover cataloguing functions.
- Library Schools – The BC Libraries Cooperative provides access to our Evergreen training server to classes at SLAIS at UBC and in the Library and Information Technology programs at UFV and Langara. Co-op Staff have also visited and done presentations to classes.

National Network for Equitable Library Service (NNELS) at the BC Libraries Cooperative

Metadata/Collections Update:
- added BC Campus Open Textbooks to external search
- additions available through "Our Collections" link on website front page:
    - 85 InterLINK audiobooks digitized from master reel-to-reel audio
    - TD and BC Summer Reading Club titles
    - Leacock, First Nations Communities Read (FNCR), and other recent award titles
- reviewing and implementing changes to our MARC to Dublin Core mapping, including addition of new custom (non-Dublin Core) fields to improve item description and findability

NNELS-wide Update:

- ↟ launched responsive version of website, now works on any screen size. Also integrated other changes to make the site easier to read and navigate
- ↟ Greater Victoria Public Library, Burnaby Public Library, and TNRD are all undergoing implementation

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CAPILANO UNIVERSITY LIBRARY ROUND TABLE REPORT
To BCCATS meeting, Sept. 19, 2015

This summer, Cap Library said goodbye to the Technical Services librarian, Trevor Smith – who has moved on to TS at Douglas College. Best of luck to Trev; we will miss him!
For the moment, TS will operate without a liaison librarian, but with the continued support of systems librarian, George Villavicencio, and electronic resources librarian, Leanna Jantzi.
However, two new librarians have been hired: Kim Minkus, already a CAP instructor (full-time); and Suzanne Cohen (part-time).
Highlights of summer cataloguing projects:

- Proxy change from Wham to ezProxy
- analyzing/correcting of a back-log of over 50,000 so-called broken (URL) links in bibs
- continuation of improvements to local locations & mat type labels in Sierra ILS
- completion of a backlog of record deletions for withdrawn records/items, including associated blind authority deletions
- recataloguing of kits (discard bags in favour of pockets within monographs, with attendant recats)

Fall 2015: cataloguing technician is training with e-resources librarian and systems librarian to assume the loading of MARC/delete files for vendor collections of all sizes.

Emily Carr University Library
Round Table report, September 2015

Discovery
This September we launched a two-year trial of EDS (EBSCO Discovery Service) – a very exciting service to offer our students and faculty.

Website (www.ecuad.ca)
Emily Carr University launched a new website this September. The website will act as a recruitment tool for prospective students. The library has a landing page with promotional videos that were produced last year, a link to our discovery layer, and a link to the old website (which is now acting as an internal information site).

Institutional Repository
Emily Carr is one of the early adopter institutions to join the new BC provincial Institutional Repository Network, Arca – an email went out this past week announcing the project. We will be

migrating all our online collections from CONTENTdm (which was hosted at SFU) to Arca, which is built using open source program Islandora. Our digital collections include our student theses, the digitized Wosk Print Collection, photographic documentation of the grad show, and our collection of digitized academic calendars going back to the 1920's.

Archival Photographs Digitization Project
In anticipation of the [90th anniversary of Emily Carr University](#) and the 2017 move to our new campus on Great Northern Way, the library has embarked on a digitization project that will provide greater access and visibility to a diverse and historically rich collection of photographs drawn from the University Archives. The photographs will be uploaded into Arca this fall and we will be launching a crowd-sourced metadata drive with the University Communications department to add descriptions to the photographs.

Artists' Residency in the Library
INSTANT COFFEE : GOOD NEWS Issue #6
September 8 – 22, 2015
The artist collective Instant Coffee, as part of a two week residency at Emily Carr University's Library, will publish Issue #6 of GOOD NEWS. GOOD NEWS is a small handmade journal produced on the occasion of an event and typically based on one question as a responsive forum. The journal is often assembled in public and produced under tight time constraints, leaving the collective to scramble for content, material and fabrication. For this issue Instant Coffee will develop its theme on the Emily Carr Campus and use the studio facilities to produce it. They have taken over the Mezzanine Gallery in the library and have been hosting class discussions, parties, and collage workshops. The issue #6 GOOD NEWS launch will be happening on September 22nd.

Donation
This year we were recipients of a large donation of monographs, serials, and rare artists' books from local art curator Tom Graff. Many of these items have already been added to our collection and original cataloguing of the rare material will be ongoing.

GREATER VICTORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY, COLLECTIONS & TECHNICAL SERVICES (CaTS)
FALL 2015 ROUNDTABLE REPORT TO BCCATS
Friday, September 17, 2015

compiled and edited by Richard Violette from contributions from GVPL staff

I. Staffing

Part-time Processor Tamsyn Curtis resigned on July 31st to resume her education at Capilano University. Her hours were assumed by Tom Lupu, who has worked as a part-time Processor in CaTS since 2012. Tom's position will in turn be filled by Tomoko Carrington starting September 28th. Tomoko has been working as a Page at the Juan de Fuca branch library for the past 7 years where she has demonstrated a commitment to customer service in her various duties.

II. Projects and Initiatives

1. Emerging Local Author Collection

Starting October 1st, we will be accepting applications for the 2016-17 Emerging Local Authors Collection, which highlights self-published, independent, or small press print works (fiction, poetry, non-fiction) by local authors, for readers of all ages. eBooks will be eligible this year. The launch for this collection will be in April, 2016. This is the second year of this annual collection – the first year was very well received, and we anticipate this year will be even better as we incorporate lessons learned.

2. New Branches

A neighbourhood branch is planned to be included in the new YMCA/YWCA facility in the Westhills development in Langford. Planning for the as yet unnamed branch is progressing on time for a Spring 2016 opening. On May 30th, an Open House gave the public an opportunity to see some of the YMCA-YWCA space, hear about the Victoria Conservatory of Music classes and programs and library services. Positive responses about the library were gathered and several cards were issued.

GVPL staff, Victoria city staff and the developer of Capital Park have met to discuss the potential space for a James Bay neighbourhood branch in the Legislative Precinct. Timelines re: construction, city budget, and library's strategic planning were confirmed and these allow time for input from the James Bay residents. Currently, we are gathering community input that will assist with library planning and determining the best service and size options for this potential branch.

3. New Floating Model

On Monday, July 6th, GVPL switched to a new system floating model. This was necessary because the new ILS is unable to float our non-fiction collections as we did in Millennium, with some locations' books anchored at the district branches, and the rest floating.

All floating items in the collection will now float within one of three "floating group" only. The floating groups are based on the district model. Anchored collections (Fastreads, World Language, Magazines, Restricted Films, and Emerging Local Authors Collection) will remain at their home locations, and not float. This new model is a pilot, and is being reviewed after 3 months to gauge the impact on workflow and staff workload.

4. Tablet Lending

On Monday July 6th, GVPL began lending Nexus 7 Tablets so patrons can explore the library's extensive digital collections. Despite a soft launch with no promotion, all 20 tablets have been out since shortly after launch, with approximately 40 holds consistently waiting – 5 more circulating tablets are being added shortly.

Borrowing Information

1. One Nexus 7 tablet per customer with a valid adult library card.

2. The loan period is 14 days if there are holds, 21 days if there are no holds.

3. Overdue Fines: $5 per day

4. $315 will be assessed for lost or damaged tablets (all contents of each tablet kit must be

returned together). Separate recovery costs for loss or damage to the USB cable and/or adaptor will be $35, and for loss or damage to the tablet case, $15.

5. Royal BC Museum Passes   The Royal BC Museum pass-lending campaign was launched at the end of May. The goal was to raise enough funds ($3,800) to purchase 30 additional passes for 2015/16. At that time, the library lent 20 Royal BC Museum family passes for admission to two adults and up to 3 youth (children under six are free). Family passes can be taken out for a one-week loan with no renewals. The program allows those who may not otherwise have the resources, get access to world-class experiences and engaging exhibitions at the Royal BC Museum. The highly successful campaign raised enough money to purchase the additional passes and replace the 20 worn or outdated passes, as well. This will be very much appreciated by our patrons as we currently have a list of over 2,000 people waiting for these passes.

6. Strategic Planning   The Library Board is developing the 2016-2020 Library Strategic Plan, which includes community consultation from September 12th to October 12th. A webpage for public input went live on Sept 11th. The public can request a paper survey at each

    branch. A strategic plan community workshop will be held on October 5th. This workshop will be conducted by our strategic planning consultant and is geared to adult or teen library users who are interested and engaged, and would like to participate in an interactive group. There will be staff engagement in addition to the public process. An all staff survey will be conducted in late October to early November, to follow up on information gathered during the public engagement period.

7. Staff Development Day   This year's Staff Day was held on June 17th at the Cadboro Commons building on the campus of the University of Victoria. This annual event brought together more than 220 staff and focused on the library's external and internal communities. The day included an acknowledgement of accomplishments over the past year, and engaged staff in looking ahead to the future. Training sessions included communicating more effectively, placemaking and community building, stress management, and customer service strategies. More than 33 employees were recognized in the Long Service Award Ceremony representing 450 years of experience.

8. Stay Home & Read a Book

On Friday, October 2th, GVPL is asking the public to stay home and curl up with a good book and donate the money that they would have spent on a night out to support the library. Donations may be made online or in person and will go to Collections.

III. ILS

On Thursday, May 14th, all functions of our new ILS, SirsiDynix's Symphony, including the system's public interface, Enterprise went live and on schedule. Symphony and Enterprise officially moved into Production as of July 31st. This means that the majority of the initial issues related to the implementation have been worked through and the primary responsibility for the systems has transitioned from the ITS DevOps team to the ITS Support team. Outstanding process issues are also being address by the ILS Advisory Team. Over the summer, CaTS staff have had the opportunity to become progressively more comfortable with the unique capabilities of Symphony's task manager, WorkFlows.

Respectfully submitted, /s/ Richard J. Violette

Librarian, Cataloguing Greater Victoria Public Library

Kwantlen Polytechnic University - Coast Capital Savings Library
Technical Services report to BCCATS September 2015
submitted by Linda Woodcock

RDA Enrichment
In December 2014 we sent our catalogue out to Backstage Library Works for RDA enrichment. This involved completing a detailed profile of what RDA related changes we desired for AACR2 records. We chose the minimum rather than the maximum level of enrichment resulting in a database of hybrid records. The content/media/carrier terms were added, abbreviations were spelled out in non-transcribed fields, gmds were removed and all headings were updated to RDA wherever possible. The results were very satisfactory and there were only a very small number of records that needed some clean-up to correct content/media/carrier terms.

New Cataloguer Technician Hired
We hired Cleire Lauron as our new Cataloguing Technician in February 2015. She is a most welcome addition to our team and is making great headway with the backlog that accrued last year.

KORA , Kwantlen's Institutional Repository
The Technical Services Librarian, Linda Woodcock, is part of a team working to populate Kwantlen's new Institutional Repository. Metadata standards are being established for the different collections and workflows are being developed. The process of implementing an IR has proven to be quite slow-moving. We did an early launch in November 2014 with a few items present and are now working hard to drive more content to the site. Interest among the faculty is now building with one contributor reporting fantastic numbers of downloads of her article "Making Selfies/Making Self: Digital Subjectivites in the Selfie."

SirsiDynix Symphony Upgrade
We recently upgraded to Symphony 3.5   This upgrade did not bring any new functionality, but we are now current with all the available versions.   We have also acquired the Blue Cloud Analytics product for reporting and are awaiting the upload of our most recent three years of data to the cloud so that we can start using this new tool.

Brill Medieval History Collection
We finally unpacked the last few boxes of the Barrie Brill Library donation and are hopeful to finish the selecting and cataloguing of this significant donation by the end of this year.   Still to deal with is a large number of foreign language materials in French, German and Latin.   So far we have added 2500 items to our history collection. There are some wonderful treasures to be found in our stacks now.

KPU Library
A project to overhaul the reference collection began this summer. With online reference resources now the mainstay of reference service librarians were able to withdraw many items and moved a number to the circulating collection. Space gained will be repurposed for group study.
A pilot of the single service point is underway at our Langley campus with reference librarian installed alongside the checkout staff. We are interested to see how this plays out over the coming months.

KPU University News

KPU has been in the news recently. Our administration signed an agreement with TransMountain Piplelines for scholarship funds that would provided only in the event the new pipeline is approved. This was met with strong opposition from some of the faculty, the KSA, and our First Nations community.   The University has recently launched a medical marihuana course, Introduction to Professional Management of Marijuana for Medical Purposes in Canada which met with some interesting twitter comments. Our Brewing and Brewery Operations program is now in full swing with the custom-built, state-of-the-art brewery completed and tastings available every Wednesday at the Farmers Market at Langley Campus.

Langara College Report to BC CATS

September 2015
Ryan Vernon

Library News

- With the leaving of Dr. Bradley O'Hara, Langara's Provost and Vice-President, Academics and Students, the library has begun temporarily reporting, along with other "Student Services," to our new Vice-President of Administration and Finance, Viktor Sokha.
- All academic departments at Langara are entering into a mandated program review process intended to provide a systematic, evidence-based assessment to facilitate planning and improvements for our programs and departments. Librarians are involved at every step of this process, both to review the ways library collections and services support each program, and to assist with research for the review process.
- Although it took a long time to select a suitable consultant, we are now beginning a Library Service Review, using agile design methodology, which will be conducted over the coming year.
- In partnership with the Creative Arts Department, the Library / Learning Commons recently hosted a well-received 3D Printing Showcase. This was made possible by an "Innovation grant" from our President's Office to help us explore the possibility of creating a maker space on campus.

Technical Services News

- We have given notice to cancel our subscription to Innovative Interface's Content Access Service (CASE), opting instead to subscribe to EBSCO's Full Text Finder. This change is yet to take effect.
- We have completed a project to create a special collection for Studio 58, our drama school. Over 1600 bib records have been created for this collection, which includes many multiple copies and class sets.
- We are looking forward to hosting the upcoming MARCedit seminar with Terry Reese. Two of our staff members will also be attending.
- Outgoing ILL article requests have dropped by 44%, likely because of the introduction of the Wiley Online Library and Taylor and Francis Social Sciences Humanities Collection.
- RDA records continue to be added to the catalogue—8126 records so far.

North Vancouver District Public Library
BCCATS Report – September 2015

Cataloguing / Collection Services update:
- Spanish language collection created this year. Currently there are 198 titles in this collection, catalogued by our Spanish-speaking cataloguer.
- Several titles in the Great Courses series added this year. Some challenges we dealt with included: creation of local series titles, which collections to place the kits in (ie. print, DVD, or CD collection)
- Some titles requested through ILL are now purchased for the collection
- Some television series on DVD are now circulating for 2 weeks rather than the standard 1 week loan. This was to allow patrons more time to watch a season before having to return the set for the next patron on the holds list. A new item type was created for these DVDs.
- Another very large donation of DVDs being added to the collection, mostly replacing older/ worn copies already in the collection
- Cataloguers have all recently completed job shadowing with Acquisitions with cross-training for some tasks

Library update:
- New 3M self-checkout machines installed at all three libraries early this year, replacing the Techlogic ones
- A Whisky Library fundraising event held in May was a great success
- Registrations for this year's Summer Reading Club was higher than the past two years

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SFU Report to BCCATS – September, 2015

- Processing has dealt with, for an academic library, two unusual requests for multiple copies of two books.
  - For an 'SFU Reads' project, we processed 'Open City' with 100 copies distributed through the 3 branches.
  - For the 'Back on Track' program (helping failing students) we processed two different editions of a title with combined 450 copies. They will sit on book trucks in the circulation area.
- We did a major cleanup of old Location codes in our ILS, getting rid of nearly 100 locations.
- We were fortunate to obtain funding to hire an Arabic cataloguer for 4 months. We have several donations of items in Arabic and have no one on staff who can catalogue them, so we are using the same approach we used with our Persian collection and doing them on a project basis.
- Our Head of Special Collections, Eric Swanick, retired in May. We are presently searching for a replacement.

- We had a preservation specialist come and do an analysis of all our collections and processes from a preservation viewpoint. She has issued her report, and the Library is deciding on how to respond. The Library received funds from the University to do this and to implement some of the recommendations.
- We are officially searching for a new ILS. We have started the process with SFU Procurement and have several committees in place to define functional requirements. We hope to issue an RFI by sometime late Fall.
- SFU is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year with a number of events and initiatives. The Library will be celebrating long serving employees including one who has worked here for 50 years. Next May the Library will participate in a "Festival of Learning" with the City of Burnaby.
- In the process of getting ready for Backstage to enhance our records with RDA elements we did a lot of cleanup of old coding.
- The Library recently acquired a large collection of William Morris books, and on the other side of the spectrum, the Force4 TV Production Co. archives.
- Janette is working on the conversion of metadata from ContentDm Dublin Core to Islandora MODs for over 120 digital collections.
- The Library has decided to have a "popular reading collection", which has yet to be officially named. People were asked to submit ideas and a final choice will be made soon. The shelving is distinctively round. Presently it holds items by SFU authors for the 50th celebration. The popular reading items will be put out in Oct.

Special Libraries Cataloguing September 2015 Report to BCCATS

Current Cataloguing

SLC cataloguing continues to shift from print resources for individual libraries to electronic resources for publishers and aggregators.

We find new clients come by referral from older ones, so have ceased advertising and attending conferences. One has come as a result of unkind references to their present records on Autocat.

Coping with RDA

With the shift of non-human "persons" from subject to persons, SLC is concerned with the inconsistency resulting from non-human headings sometimes and sometimes not have qualifiers such as (Fictitious character), or species in the case of animals.

SLC thinks these qualifiers should primarily be for patron information, not added to make the heading distinctive after research. Could BCCATS make that recommendation to the Canadian Committee on Cataloguing?

We achieved the change of having dates added whether needed for distinctiveness or not. The same should occur with this informative qualifiers. An earlier UK proposal was rejected.

Surrey Schools (SD36) update (Fall 2015)

1. Department manager retired end of August after an extended leave. Daily operations have been handled by the Team Leader and a parttime acting manager has been in place with a limited role. We are uncertain when the position will be posted.
2. We will be moving to a new building adjacent to the district offices by Christmas.
3. We were unable to perform our scheduled system update in July. As a result, our ebook update process was failing for most of the summer. Follett was able to restore connectivity last week but we are considering upgrading at Christmas to limit future unintended failures between the ILS and ebook platform.
4. We have a new selection of digital resources this year after ERAC redesigned their offering to incorporate a core collection with optional addons and a change in the costing formula. Streaming resources have also been reduced according to usage stats from the last two years. The loss of CBC Curio in particular is causing many inquiries from the high schools.
5. The district has implemented a network upgrade to address connectivity issues. Our site was not included because of our planned move so we haven't noticed any difference but we haven't heard any complaints about network speed from our teacher librarians so far.
6. Our elementaries were moved onto the new provincial student information system, MyEDBC, last spring, triggering several accounts issues in our library system. This was our first September startup with MyEd and we are finding that our normal account feeds are taking a little longer to complete than with BCeSIS but it seems to be settling down more quickly than in previous years. Our secondaries are due to migrate to the new system this year.
7. We have added some Saunders ebook titles to our district ebook collection. They add Canadian and French language non-fiction content to the existing Follett ebook offering.

8. Big transitions last year to Learning Commons philosophy, including district support for the creation of Maker Spaces in the schools. We handled the centralized ordering and deployment of the Maker Space supplies.
9. Summer projects:
    a. Identifying bib records for French language materials and inserting a local genre heading for targeted retrieval and reporting. More than 33,000 records identified and upgraded.
    b. Updating our department manuals and creating a few new ones for previously undocumented workflows.

Report for TNRD Library System (Melissa Lowenberg)

Staffing/Building
- We now have our full complement of staff in Support Services. We have been short staffed for many months after the ILS migration.
- Tour of ORL Administration Centre in June was very helpful. As a result, we are pursuing a number of physical improvements to our own department.

Collections/Cataloguing/System
- We continue to work on centralization of serials. Slow progress with changing addressing/getting correct number of copies sent to Administration. Once the addressing issues are complete, we plan to begin electronic claiming with Ebsco via Sierra.
- Graphic novel rotation coming up for our smaller libraries.
- We have a diacritics clean up project in the works.
- We have just exposed our On Order records to patrons – so we are still working through change of workflows. It will be interesting to see how the hold limits are impacted and the hold to copy budget.

Vancouver PL BCCATS Roundtable Report
September 18, 2015   Samuel Richmond, Head Bibliographic Services

Cataloguing Update

1. VPL added nearly 17,300 bibliographic records in the first half of 2015, 2,155 of which are original cataloguing. We are also on track to provide locally customized, full-level bibs for more than 7,000 new e-book titles this year.

2. Beginning this year we have launched ongoing cross-training of Catalogue Support team staff to edit OCLC copy at the Cataloguing Assistant level. As part of this initiative, C-Team member

Gena Lam has completed ALA's newly-extended online course in RDA.

3. Our expansion of the mass-market paperback brief entry project now includes all major adult genre fiction categories along with greater coverage of juvenile and young adult titles.

4. Our IT crew has been weighing options for building our much-needed genre heading index, including SirsiDynix "Platinum" services compatible with Horizon. Having a separate, equally smart-searchable platform for LCGFT applications of LCSH topical terms is essential to maintaining authority control per RDA and FRAD, thus preserving a coherent catalogue.

5. During Q2 we installed and began testing Horizon 7.5.3 modules for ACQ, CAT, CIRC and ILL.

Staffing and Organization

1. Having just recently settled in as Assistant Manager of Acquisitions, Gladys Chen moved on in July to West Point Grey as the new Branch Head with veteran staffer Helen Lightfoot taking over for Gladys in ACQ. Congratulations to both.

Collections Update

⚲ VPL will hold off for the time being on becoming an early adopter of Hoopla or similar multimedia streaming enterprises. Subscription budget control and accommodating the necessary bandwidth are principal factors.

⚲ Observing the growing popularity and crossover appeal of adult literacy series such as Rapid Reads, the Central Library is currently planning to mainstream them across all branches.

⚲ In October we anticipate launching Android tablet lending as an improved e-reader platform, in time for Canadian Library Month.

System-wide Update

1. The profile of our Inspiration Lab continues to grow since its launch last May with local and national media taking notice. Digitizing personal collections remains a primary draw, with oral history projects and community-led presentations not far behind.

New ILS

On B.C. Day we migrated our catalogue from Millennium to Sierra. Preparation for the migration included:

- configuring two new virtual servers
- inventory of the collection
- updating item types and location codes
- submitting service commitments for new features to the vendor
- reviewing staff permissions, system testing and staff training

Wireless Network

Also in August, WVML upgraded the wireless network to a Cisco network with 9 new access points throughout the Library. In the coming months we will be implementing a secure wireless network for staff using the same infrastructure.

Software Carpentry

West Vancouver Memorial Library hosted the two-day BCCATs workshop *Software Carpentry* . Twenty three Library staff from Academic, Public and Special libraries took part in this computer programming boot camp led by Cam MacDonell from MacEwan University and Vicky Varga from Edmonton Public Library.

Extreme weather

The windstorm on Saturday, August 29 resulted in failures to our IT systems. While these disrupted access to online databases and the catalogue, the Library remained open and circulation staff switched to manual processes so that visitors could take materials home with them, which could not be entered into the system until 1:30 p.m. on Monday.