DALNET DATABASE STANDARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

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1. A successful update session was held in November for Cataloging and Authority Control staff from DALNET Libraries. Reports covered format integration, the probable re-write of the NOTIS cataloging and authority module, reports from NUGM, and a sharing session. Once again, the Detroit Public Library was a gracious host.

2. **Completed DALNET Standards for Holdings Records on NOTIS**

   The creation and maintenance of proper holdings information assists users in the location of library materials. The quality of DALNET Database and greater accessibility of materials is insured by existence and execution of such Holdings Standards. The Committee is pleased to complete the draft of these standards, which will now be forwarded to the DALNET Project Managers for review and then to the DALNET Board for approval.

3. **Participation of NACO (Name Authority Cooperative Project)**

   DALNET Libraries including some Database Standards Committee members participated in NACO training offered by a Library of Congress representative in April. The University of Detroit-Mercy Library and the Detroit Public Library staff that have been trained are now submitting records to LC through OCLC LSP. Other DALNET Libraries will submit NACO authority records using procedures to be developed shortly. The Committee is identifying reporting channels and developing procedures for the submission of name authority records for those DALNET Libraries that have not yet been trained.

4. **Current Issues and Concerns**

   Should the call number index report be issued weekly instead of daily? The Systems Office asked DALNET Libraries to consider which variable fields should be included in key-word searching.

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