DALNET DATABASE STANDARDS COMMITTEE
May 6, 1997, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Wayne State University, Room #15

Minutes for 5/6/97 Meeting

Present: Chris Audia (DPL), Birong Ho (WSU), Adriene Lim (WSU/DALNET), Ann Pogany (OU), Donna Roe (UDM), Theresa Shen (WCCC), Phyllis Shunn (WC), and Frank White (MC)

System Updates

In Anaclare Evans's (WSU) absence, F. White offered a summary of the DALNET Project Managers Meeting, which he attended on May 5, 1997. Topics included: OViD proposal for DALNET, database issues, Distributed Printing Policy, and the NOTIS LMS Release 6.3.1. The target date for NOTIS 6.3.1 installation has been extended to the July 4th weekend, rather than Memorial Day weekend as originally planned.

DALNET Users Group Meeting Feedback

B. Ho distributed a report summarizing the completed evaluations of participants in the DALNET Users Group Meeting held April 8, 1997 at WSU. As can be seen in the attached report, the meeting was rated favorably, with most participants rating the program as "very good, "good," and "outstanding." The suggestion was made, however, by D. Roe (UDM) to change the name of future events from "DALNET Cataloging and Authority Control Users Group Meeting" to "DALNET Cataloging and Authority Control Users Group Forum" Most committee members agreed that the new name will better reflect the nature of the event.

CLARR Demonstration

B. Ho presented a demonstration of CLARR, the cataloger's toolkit for the committee. Committee members who would like to obtain the CLARR program for use at their institutions were urged to contact the DALNET office. B. Ho will prepare program copies and installation instructions.

Review of Standard Documents

The Committee completed its review of "DALNET Bibliographic and Authority Database Standards" (2/89). Suggested revisions will be incorporated into a new draft by A. Lim and will be distributed to committee members before the next meeting.

In addition, the suggestion was made by A. Lim to incorporate many of the items in the existing DALNET document "Basic Operating Premises" into the next document slated for review, "Name/Series Authority in NOTIS" (11/90). The remaining information in the "Basic Operating Premises" could then be revised and turned into a new "Conflict Resolution Policy." A. Lim offered to compose a draft of this proposed "Conflict Resolution Policy" and distribute it to committee members for review before the next meeting.

Next Meeting will be held: Tuesday, August 26, 1997 at 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at WSU's Science/Engineering Library, Room #15.

Minutes by A. Lim

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