

# **PCC Standing Committee on Standards Summary of Current and Recent Activities: Report to the PCC Policy Committee, November 3, 2022**

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## **Membership**

As of October 1, 2022:

- Liz Miraglia ended her term as co-chair but remains on as a member
- Matthew Haugen became co-chair
- Everett Allgood and Dave Van Kleeck ended their terms
- Abigail Sparling and Hank Young became new members
- Steve McDonald renewed for a second term
- Honor Moody replaced Everett Allgood as the PCC liaison to CC:DA
- Adrienne Seely and Natasha Zaleski completed their term as SCS interns; no new interns appointed for this year.

## **Recent Activity**

### **MARC discussion paper on 368 \$d**

**Status:** Submitted to MAC by Adam Schiff, September 23, 2022.

Proposes redefining authority 368 \$d to include terms of rank, honor, office, etc. as well as titles.

### **MARC discussion paper on family attributes**

**Status:** Submitted to MAC by Matthew Haugen, September 27, 2022.

Proposes new and revised fields and subfields for family attributes in authority data: 368, 371, 372, 374, 376.

### **MGDs and LC-PCC PSs for Official RDA**

SCS provided feedback on the following proposed Policy Statements and Metadata Guidance Documents for official RDA: LC PCC PS for Variant title of work; LC PCC PS for Representative expression elements; LC PCC PS for Supplied other title information; MGD for “Headquarters” and terms implying administrative subordination.

## **Work in Progress**

### **MARC proposal on 720 and 653**

**Status:** Draft in progress, due November 8, 2022.

This proposal is based on [2022-DP08](#) from the [MAC meeting](#) of July 2022, which proposed adding \$0 and \$1 to associate identifiers with uncontrolled terms in bibliographic fields 653 and 720. Based on discussion, the proposal also adds \$2 and \$5.

## **SCS Task Group on Developing Guidelines for Using ISO 639-3 Language Codes for Library Cataloging**

**Status:** [Guidelines/FAQs in review.](#)

Some outstanding issues include the availability of 639-3 as open linked data so catalogers can readily search and use it, and mapping between 639-2 and 639-3 at different levels of specificity. The group also plans to repurpose its current [feedback form](#).

## **SCS Task Group on Developing a PCC Entities Vocabulary (075)**

**Status:** The [Final report](#) was submitted to PoCo June 14, 2022. SCS is continuing work on guidance for the 075 field and developing use cases for adding Work and Expression to the list of entities. The new [“pccent” source code](#) was approved in the August 24, 2022 MARC Technical Notice. We are still waiting for “rda” to be added to the [list of codes](#) appropriate for use with 075. We are also considering mechanisms for SCS to receive and evaluate proposals for new and revised terms to this list in the future.

## **Special Coding for Non-Latin Script References in NARs**

**Status:** Draft documentation in progress.

SCS was tasked by PoCo on September 9 to follow-up on [SCA's report](#) and make policy recommendations on removing the special coding practice for non-Latin script references. SCS is discussing with SCA, the CJK NACO Funnel, and other groups to determine whether the special coding is to be abolished entirely or if procedures and guidelines need to be established for evaluating the non-Latin script references before removing the special coding.

## **PCC Recommended Extensions to Related Place of RDA Entity**

**Status:** Ongoing

SCS has begun developing recommended PCC extensions to the RDA element “Related Place of RDA Entity.” SCS has drafted a list of preferred terms for use in 370 \$i and associated URIs in 370 \$4, for use as refinements to related place in 370 \$f and related country in 370 \$c. If implemented, LC Guidelines Supplement updates would be needed. SCS is also discussing how terms can receive URIs, and a mechanism for proposal and approval of new terms. Since 373 \$i was also recently approved by MAC, some of these extensions can also be expanded for use as refinements to associated groups. SCS hopes to discuss this project in more detail with PoCo at the December meeting, after which we will follow up with LC about the potential for hosting URIs for these on [id.loc.gov](#).

## **LCDGT Demonyms**

**Status:** Ongoing

SCS has worked on enhancing demonym terms in LCDGT with relationships to the geographic places in the NAF. Adam Schiff and Anna Slawek have been keeping a spreadsheet up-to-date with each new published approved LCDGT monthly list. The plan is to send the updated spreadsheet to LC every 6 months.

## **Future Work**

### **Proposed SCS Pilot Task Group on CONSER Policy**

**Status:** Charge and Roster being drafted for discussion at PoCo November meeting. The Group is expected to be a one-year pilot, and will report to SCS and PoCo. It will be tasked to address the WEM-lock and Serial AAPs in official RDA, propose MGDs and other documentation, and address BIBFRAME-MARC mapping issues in relation to serials.

### **Provider Neutral Guidelines**

**Status:** Pending.

SCS received a request to allow use of 506 for open access materials in provider-neutral records. A response from LC to proposed new wording suggested that a similar approach should be taken for 540, which SCS is considering.

SCS received another request from LAC to allow certain information about accessible versions in provider-neutral records. SCS has asked LAC for clarification; LAC is consulting with its stakeholders.

## **Other**

### **Take-down of Legacy Relationship Designator Proposal Form**

**Status:** Pending.

This form has been inactive since 2017 due to the moratorium on RDA proposals. This form was monitored by SCS but is now being retired. The RDA Communications Committee form remains available for updates to PCC documentation (MGDs, Policy Statements, etc.) and not for the text of RDA itself. SCS may consider developing its own form to receive proposals related to SCS projects and vocabularies (such as PCC entity types, PCC extensions to related place, etc.)