

MARINet Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2008

Board Members Present: David Dodd, Chair
Frances Gordon
Gail Haar
Anji Brenner
Deborah Mazzolini

Board Members Absent: Sara Loyster, Mary Richardson

Also Present: Deb Moehrke, MARINet System Administrator

I. Those in attendance introduced themselves to the presenters from Innovative. The presenters were Eric Lockbie and Marjorie McLaughlin.

II. No members of the general public were present. There was several staff from MARINet member libraries in the audience.

III. **Presentation of products.**

1. Circa Wireless workstation. The workstation can do limited circulation functions - checkin, checkout, and changing the status of item records. Actions are fully integrated with Millennium software and happen in real time. No batch upload required. The information available about the items is limited to keep the display clean. For example, you cannot get the total circulation or last activity date of the items. Circa works with any PDA that has a browser; could be as inexpensive or full-featured as you'd like. Library would also need to provide a barcode reader that is compatible with the unit. Circa does not allow searching for patron by name, cannot print a hold slip, and does require a user license. Future development is planned to include shelf listing functionality. Library would set a starting and ending point. For libraries with RFID staff could easily scan everything on a shelf and identify those missing.
2. Air Pac - Wireless version of the catalog. Patrons could search catalog using their internet accessible phone or PDA. Provides all functionality of the web catalog but with screens optimized for a very small screen.
3. **RSS incoming feed** - This is an available option in our existing catalog. We would just need to implement the

option.. Would allow MARINet to offer incoming feeds from such places as CNN, ESPN or the IJ.

4. **My Record fee.** Patrons would be able to subscribe to this service. Then when pre-determined events occur on their record the system would send a posting to their feedreader. Events would include holds available, items due soon, items due today, overdue items, etc. These notices are in addition to not in place of the other notices the system sends.
5. **RSS Feeder.** Expands the featured list concept; we generate the list and mount the feed on the web catalog site. Feeds can be built from a review file created by staff or a saved search strategy. Searches are saved and re-done daily with the results posted on the feeds page. Library can set the time frame for materials included.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 9:30 a.m., May 15 at Hamilton.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Moehrke