Primo / MetaLib Product Working Group report

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2014 activities

• NERS requests (NRs) database cleanup
• Conducted the 2014 Primo software ballot
• Advised Ex Libris on accepted NR development
• Monitored outstanding promised NRs
• Assisted with the 2014 Oxford IGeLU conference
2014 Primo software ballot results

1. UI HTML improvements – rejected as ExL is developing a new UI
2. After logging in the end user should be returned to the last place they were before logging in – rejected as it cannot be done
3. Date slider - ability to use exact dates – Likely to be accepted
4. Primo Central usage statistics by resource – Likely to be accepted
5. Refine results to exclude matches on terms in full text – rejected as the ranking algorithm has been much improved
6. French synonyms file – Likely to be accepted
7. Better search statistics – Likely to be accepted
8. Give a clearer explanation when renewal is impossible – Likely to be accepted
New Product Development Collaborative Agreement

- Announced in Dec 2014

- Primo software enhancement process now in line with other products such as Aleph and SFX (the Alma process will be similar)

- 150 points worth of Primo software development will be done per year
2015 – Primo software ballot

• Later in the year

• New enhancement process

1. Initial ballot
2. Top vote getters will be sent to Ex Libris
3. Ex Libris assigns complexity points
4. Second ballot (reduced list with complexity points)
5. Top vote getters sent to Ex Libris (up to 150 points worth)
• Resource NRs may be added to NERS during February (check your PCI profile and NERS first) March ballot
• Top 10 vote getters will be sent to Ex Libris
• Ex Libris cannot guarantee that the top vote getters will be included in PCI
• Results will assist them to prioritise their negotiations with vendors
• Ex Libris has announced that there will be no more CKB ballots

• Less and less CKB items have been added to NERS in recent times and there is reduced reliance on federated searching

• Primo/ML PWG is more focused on PCI now
Primo NR development may be checked here:
https://ners.igelu.org/

- Email ners@igelu.org for your username and password
- Always check to see if the required item is already in NERS
- NERS Primo/PCI software and CKB requests may be added at any time
Thank you!

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