SVUC meeting, Stockholm 11-12 October

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Marit Vestlie, The National Library of Norway
Per Mogens Petersen, DBC, Denmark (on Thursday)
Tommy Schomacker, DBC, Denmark
Lisa Petersen, The National Library of Sweden/LIBRIS
Martin Malmsten, The National Library of Sweden/LIBRIS
Christer Larsson, The National Library of Sweden/LIBRIS
Kristin Olsson, The National Library of Sweden/LIBRIS (minutes)

Thursday was dedicated to presentations and discussions on special topics of interests, see the appendix.

Friday – formal meeting

1. Opening of the meeting and minutes

Juha Hakala opened the meeting.
The minutes of the previous meeting was approved, except for some minor corrections in the country reports. These corrections shall be sent to Tommy within short.
Minutes from this meeting: Kristin Olofsson.

Decided: the host country will be responsible for minute taking.

2. Updates of national issues/development
Denmark, DBC

The situation in Denmark - the libraries are looking into themselves in order to evaluate how they are seen from the rest of the society. The aim is to constitute a natural service point in society, for example by being an evident part in the site borger.dk.

Discussions on a digital showroom. A digital place for public libraries to market themselves for the public.

The automated enduser ILL function is a success. 50,000 ILL-orders are now directed to the first free library.

Has started looking into mobile technology.

Has started looking at content access (not only accessing metadata, but also full text datal). One example of content access is the site ebog.dk.

A cooperation with e.g. the Danish Film Institute on streamed film has been initiated. A new facility - Filmstriben.dk

A new thing to look into how to handle computer games on the libraries, Projekt "Gamestarteren". DBC has started a cooperation with the Herning libraries and the company Ivanoff Interactive.

Strategies for DanBib – DanBib inside. Includes debates on developments, infrastructures and standardization iissues for the Danish libraries within DanBib.

Standardization issues. A MARC exchange (xml exchange format) standard is now published.
The RFID standard - a good compromise; two ways of encoding was decided.

DBC is working with an OpenLibrary strategy. A service oriented infrastructure using existing standards.

Work within DanZig. One example is using NCIP and doing profiles for consortial borrowing.

Discussions on bibliotek.dk as a local library interface.

Bibliotek.dk is in LibraryThing, Z39.50 is used.

Sweden, LIBRIS

A new routine for acquisition is in "pilot production". It's a cooperation with the English publisher Dawson. It gives a smoother workflow for acquisition -> cataloguing -> importing records to the local ILS. When you order a book you put additional metadata in the order form (such as classifications, holdings, call number) and the extended metadata is automatically sent to the LIBRIS catalogue and then to the local catalogue due to the normal export routines to local libraries.

The new organisation has induced new structures for external influence on the National Library and LIBRIS. New formal groups for external influence have been established.
- A National reference group. A small group (about ten people) including headmasters from universities, head librarians, and Riksarkivet. The function is being advisor board on strategic questions for the National Library, including LIBRIS.
- Different "expert boards/groups". One example is a consultation group on the LIBRIS catalogue.

The question about leaving the Swedish classification scheme, SAB, for Dewey is still under discussion.

A cooperation between LIBRIS/The National bibliography and BTJ has started on record exchange. The project is aiming at just having to catalogue one record once concerning Swedish material and exchange these records between BTJ-NB.

The development of the new web based ILL-system is proceeding. The release is planned to January 2008.

The project on "One entry to the Swedish scientific publications", a joint project between four universities and founded by the National Library, has started. LIBRIS is involved doing the national search facility.

The new LIBRIS (websearch) now in beta version, is planned to be released 19 December this year.

Norway, BIBSYS

A substantial report on the library situation as a whole has been made in Norway: "Bibliotekreform 2014", see: http://www.abm-utvikling.no/bibliotek/bibliotekreform-2014 . Comments on the report can be found here: http://www.abm-

utvikling.no/publisert/abm-skrift/abm-skrift-42.html . The proposed governmental budget for 2008 did unfortunately not follow up this report.

BIBSYS has now formally been enacted as "Offentligt forvaltningsorgan" directly under the Ministry of Education and Research. Administratively, it is organised as a part of the Norwegian University of Science and Technology. BIBSYS new statutes can be found here:
http://www.bibsys.no/wps/wcm/connect/BIBSYS+Nettsted/BIBSYS/Om+oss/V%26arin g%3Bre+vedtekter
BIBSYS has a board of its own (new from September this year), with six board members and three suppleants (see:
http://www.bibsys.no/wps/wcm/connect/BIBSYS+Nettsted/BIBSYS/Om+oss/Organisasj onen+BIBSYS/BIBSYS+Styre/).

Discussions on having an acquisition project (similar to the Swedish Dawson project). Contacts with the British vendor Starkmann has been taken.

There is a discussion in BIBSYS on classifications and subject headings. Are they supposed to skip them or stream-line them? Should all libraries in BIBSYS use the same schemes for better exchange?

BIBSYS is getting data enrichments from Nielsen BookData and Forlagsentralen. Discussions on using Bowker is going on.

Norway has two portal consortias.
a) One using MetaLib/SFX (4 largest universities)
b) The BIBSYS consortium (40 libraires). They are using TDNet as a journal portal and linkserver, and Electra from Pica for Metasearching.
There is a problem that the journals and e-journals now are handled by three different systems (TDNet, BIBSYS and SFX). BIBSYS ERM-system is master for the journals in TDNet, SFX is master for the journals from the 4 universities in the BIBSYS ERM-system.

BIBSYS has implemented an OpenURLrouter able to redirect the user to the right linkserver (TDNet or SFX).

BIBSYS will move towards Agile programming. They are especially looking at the SCRUM methodology for Agile programming and teambuilding. The development department is reorganized with three SCRUM teams.

BIBSYS has a brand new OAI-service, a service for bibliographic records. Not public available, the use must be agreed upon with BIBSYS.

Norway, Nasjonalbiblioteket

The Norwegian Film Institute will be discontinued next year. The national film archive will become a part of Nasjonalbiblioteket. There will be a lot of work with integration and converting data.

There is quite a large amount of newspaper publishers that want to have their digital archives in Mo i Rana. Negotiations going on.

Negotiations with a broadcasting company on NB taking care of the compamy's digital archives. NB wants the students and reserachers to be able to access the material, at least in house. It's a copyright issue.

Negotiations with Biblioteksssentralen on cataloguing for Nasjonalbiblioteket, but there is a lot pf problems involved and it's not advantageous for NB for the moment.

There is a Norwegian multilingual project going on, driven by the Oslo public library. It's about letting the enduser search in the database in their own language and alphabet. Searching in Urdu is an early test.

A bibliographic inquest/report is going on in Norway, the starting point is all the new medias lika film, digital medias, pictures etc. That brings about needs for new services to the enduser. One thing that is being investigated is how to chose different levels on the catalogued record.
A new definition on what belongs to the national bibliography. Now it is equal with the legal deposit.

Finland, The National Library of Finland

There is going to be a new LINDA (the Finnish union catalogue). There are and have been a lot of problems with the Voyager software and the content in LINDA, especially with duplicates. The National Library is planning to replace Voyager UC with Aleph central catalogue. A pilot project has started with Aleph for four library databases. Results should be ready for analyzing in November.

ONIX. There is a Finnsih version on ONIX for books. It will be published this month. There has been good cooperation with the Swedish and the Norwegian national libraries.
ONIX for serials – one project has been done. I would be advantageous having records from the publishers exported directly in local ERM-systems.

3. The situation for the SVUC countries and WorldCat

Denmark
Negotiations with OCLC for the Danish National Library to be uploaded in WorldCat. Individual libraries are already uploaded.

Finland
Finland re-negotiates their contract with OCLC.

Sweden
The National library (app. 2 million records) has delivered the NB files to WorldCat but the records are not yet visible.

Norway
Bibsys had discussions with OCLC some years ago, but the price was too high. There is an interest to start new negotiations.
Nasjonalbiblioteket has not had any discussions with OCLC on the National bibliography. On the other hand, OCLC is interested on cooperation on their electronic material.

4. Ontologies, RDF and the semantic web.

Martin presented an suggestion on how to access authority data using RDF.

Juha presented the FinnOnto project.
For more information, see http://www.seco.tkk.fi/projects/finnonto/

5. Unique identifiers and resolution services

Eva Müller did a presentation on the Swedish work with URN:NBN and resolution services.

The meeting discussed the problems with the entity URN:NBN not yet defined what it is supposed to identify. The work? The manifestation? The item?
Is it supposed to identify on a bibliographic level? A document level? An object level?

Juha brought up the question about Scandinavian/European cooperation and collusion in the light of the CENL project.
Eva and Laila reported on the Nordbib project which is aiming on sending out a questionnaire to Nordic libraries asking on their status, plans and needs when it comes to resolution services.

Juha proposed to the meeting to wait for the results of that project.

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6. Next meeting

28-29 April 2008 in Mo i Rana. Nasjonalbiblioteket will host the meeting.

Appendix 1

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Agenda

Thursday
09.30-10.00 Arrival and coffee

10.00-12.30 What's new on the OPAC side?
- **Kristin Olofsson and Martin Malmsten** - presentation of the new LIBRIS Web Search, now in beta.
- **Oskar Andersson Laurin** from Stockholm Public Library about the project
biblioteket.se, among other things how to integrate the OPAC with the
web site and working with web 2.0
- State of the art, news and future plans in the other Nordic countries. Discussion on this topic.

12.30-13.30 Lunch

13.30-14.45 Research databases for university publications.
What kind of search facilities and applications are there?
- **Stefan Andersson** from Uppsala University about the project "One entry
to the Swedish scientific publications" (a national search facility)
- State of the art, news and future plans in the other Nordic countries (e.g. Denmark: DEFF
Research database, Norway: Frida - more....?). Discussion on this topic.

15.00-17.00 Central vs. local ILS's - trends and possible solutions.
- Lisa Petersen on the feasability study for shared software solutions
for the Swedish university and college libraries.
- **Martin Malmsten** on a project aiming at using LIBRIS as OPAC and
distributed catalogue while retaining local circulation modules.
- State of the art, news and future plans in the other Nordic countries. Discussion on this topic.

Friday
09.00-12.00 Formal meeting and updates on national issues/developments

12.00-13.00 Lunch

13.00-15.00 URN and resolving services
- **Eva Müller** about URN and updates on this work at Kungl. biblioteket.
- State of the art, news and future plans in the other Nordic countries and in European level