Alma Working Group

ELUNA 2017

Purpose of the Alma Working Group

The Alma Product Working Group (PWG) represents Alma users, under the auspices of both the ELUNA and IGeLU Steering Committees.

The purpose of the Alma Product Working Group is to:

Represent the Alma User Community to ExLibris.

Advocate for the interests of all Alma users, through discussion and negotiation with ExLibris.

Actively partner with Ex Libris staff to improve Alma functionality.

Be responsible for establishing and reviewing the purpose of all Alma special interest groups

Showcase Alma best practice workflows or innovative user community developments to the broader Alma user community, through the coordination of the Alma Product track at annual ELUNA and IGeLU conferences

Agenda

Enhancements

    2016 and 2017 progress

    Process discussion

Quick updates

UX project

    Expectations

    Input

Community Zone Management Group

    Relation to Knowledge Base Advisory Board

    Members and Work

Alma WG and Special Interest Groups

Enhancements

ELUNA/IGeLU/Ex Libris Development agreement = 200 points

Membership in ELUNA/IGeLU = 100 points per institution per NERS voting cycle

Alma is still new-ish = hundreds of NERS requests for improvement; and hundreds in Ex Libris' Idea Exchange

Strategic Proposing & Voting

WG Leadership for a more successful NERS outcome

Develop strategic recommendations for core voting options

Regional/consortial issues

Greater good issues

Possible presentation of a select number of issues (5-10) for consideration

Institutional/Consorital Leadership -- join forces

Propose strategically -- focus on your biggest issues

Vote strategically -- campaign/make your case

Enhancements (NERS)

2015 -- All enhancements delivered

2016 -- All will be delivered by July

2017 -- Progress report

What We've Been Working On ...

Authentication Focus Group

Primo/Alma Back Office Project

UX Project

Re-establishing CZMG

UX Project

Successful partnership

Usability

    Look & feel & consistency of presentation

    Improve the ergonomics of the application

Recognition that there is no good time to flip the switch

Ex Libris investigating feedback methodology for general release

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Community Zone Management Group (CZMG)

LCNMAEs/LCGFT vocabularies in the CZ

Activating authority control in the CZ

Language issues in the CZ

Use of non standard $e subfield for ISSN - solution

Enhancing bibliographic records with relation data

And more…

Alma Working Group & SIGs

The purpose of SIGs is to build expertise and engender debate about future development of specific functionality, and to share these findings with the broader Alma user community.

- ● Special interest groups operate to either:
  - ○ Achieve defined deliverable(s) within a set timeframe, eg COUNTER metrics in Alma analytics
  - ○ Identify and explore new development opportunities for specific functional areas within Alma, eg LOD
- ● Special interest groups may focus on a functional area of interest, e.g., cataloguing, fulfillment, Resource sharing, an overarching issue, such as consortial issues, or something more specific, within a functional area, e.g. e-resource statistics, authority functionality
- ● The purpose and value of all Alma special interest groups will be reviewed annually by the Alma WG

Get Involved!

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