

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

From: Ebe Kartus, ACOC Representative

Subject: Fictitious Families and Corporate Bodies (Revision of RDA 10.0, 10.3.1.3, 10.11.1.2, 11.0, 11.7.1.4, 11.13.1.2)

ACOC thanks the British Library for this proposal to make the treatment of fictitious, legendary, and non-human families and corporate bodies consistent with treatment of persons.

ACOC agrees with the proposal and generally supports the ALA response but would like to make some comments in response to ALA.

Comment 1

ACOC agrees that using the phrasing established in RDA 9.0 *Purpose and Scope* at 10.0 *Purpose and Scope* is desirable. However, we note that the term used in 9.0 is actually “entities”, not “persons”. We therefore suggest that “entities” should also be used at 10.0 and 11.0.

RDA 9.0

Persons include persons named in sacred scriptures or apocryphal books, fictitious and legendary persons, and real non-human entities.

RDA 10.0

Families include families named in sacred scriptures or apocryphal books, fictitious and legendary families, and real ~~or fictitious~~ non-human ~~families~~ entities.

Comment 2

We agree to adding a term to the e.g. list but suggest re-ordering the list.

Record the type of family using an appropriate term (e.g., Family, Clan, Royal house, Dynasty, Fictitious clan)

Comment 3

Again, as 9.0 *Purpose and Scope* uses the phrase “entities” we suggest the term should also be used at 11.0.

RDA 11.0

Corporate bodies include corporate bodies named in sacred scriptures or apocryphal books, fictitious and legendary corporate bodies, and real ~~or fictitious~~ non-human ~~corporate bodies~~ entities.

Comment 4b

The proposed ‘Escaped Pigs’ example at 11.7.1.4 *Type of Corporate Body* is a genuine example of a real non-human entity. We suggest retaining the example along with adding the ALA proposed ‘Cat Circus’

Escaped Pigs

Preferred name recorded as: Tamworth Two

Cat Circus

Preferred name recorded as: The Amazing Acro-Cats

Comment 5a

At 11.13.1.2 *Type of Corporate Body* ACOC prefers that all the “Niagara” examples be retained, perhaps in addition the ALA proposed “Enterprise” examples.

Comment 5b

As at 11.7.1.4, we suggest retaining the “Escaped Pigs” example at 11.13.1.2 *Type of Corporate Body* along with the addition of the “Cat Circus” example.

Tamworth Two (Escaped Pigs)

The Amazing Acro-Cats (Cat Circus)

In response to the additional issues raised in the ALA response, ACOC agrees that these are areas for further exploration and discussion.