ODIN Work Day

Carrington Research Extension Center Streamlining Workflow Session Notes 3:00-4:00 p.m. March 28, 2012 Session Leader – Donna James

Presentations by - Elizabeth Madson/Fargo Public Library & Michael Safratowich/Univ of ND-Health Sciences Library

People are interested in efficient workflows. So often we "keep doing things the same old way" and we don't think about how we can do things differently. For instance, Elizabeth mentioned that when her new books arrive @ Fargo Public Library, "people were still penciling in the Dewey number, cost, vendor and date of purchase". Well, that got people thinking,...why are we doing this? Do we NEED to do this? Perhaps discussion needs to take place to write down the whys and see if that type of processing should continue.

Elizabeth Madson spoke on "Streamlined Workflows at the Fargo Public Library" – presentation is posted – she did some really cool workflow analysis stuff AND explained how several Aleph Reports may be used monthly, semi-annually, etc to track items that just aren't moving along through the process quickly enough.

Michael Safratowich spoke on "Streamlining Record Deletions" – presentation is posted – he showed some really neat methods to create files to delete records via OCLC and then completing the delete via ODIN.

Let's keep the discussion going on the <u>ODIN-LIBS@LISTSERV.NODAK.EDU</u> list so all may join in the discussion. Thanks everyone for your participation!