



ECB/QVR Steering Committee

Electronic Council Book–Query/View/Reporting System Steering Committee

Date: Wed., January 22, 2002
Time: 10:00 a.m.–noon
Location: Rockledge 2, 9th Floor Conference Center
Advocate: Thor Fjellstedt

Next Meeting: Wed. Feb. 26, 10:00 a.m.–noon, Rockledge 2, 9th Floor Conference Center

Action Items

1. (Don Tiedemann) Send primer for using the subproject features to the listserv.
2. (Thor Fjellstedt) Send notice of frozen data feature availability to listserv.
3. (Thor Fjellstedt) Send URL for test site to listserv and request feedback for subproject AND frozen data features.
4. (Don Tiedemann, Cathy Buckley) Investigate the feasibility of providing grant history, committee history and PI history for each PI.
5. (Thor Fjellstedt) Poll the ECB/QVR Steering Committee for an alternative meeting time that accommodates Carlos Caban's schedule so he can participate in the meeting.

Announcements

Training—There will be Council Administration module and Early Concurrence training in February, offered by CIT. There are two QVR training classes scheduled through CIT: Jan. 23 and Feb. 25.

Text Search—Don Tiedemann restored the text search function for abstracts. He asked the group to send any problems they find to him.

QVR Status

Several enhancements were presented and discussed:

Minimizing and expanding—The group was positive in its feedback about the ability to minimize and expand specific sections of the screen. It was noted, however, that this feature doesn't work using Netscape below version 5.0.

Show current criteria button—This button shows all current criteria the user has set up as default.

Subprojects—Expanded features for subprojects have been added and they are in test now. The analysts asked for feedback, since subprojects data can be tricky, before they make it more widely available. There are a lot of issues with subproject data including the fact that sometimes the data isn't in the database and sometimes the way it's structured makes it difficult to access. It may be that subproject data is not yet ready to be retrieved. It may also be an opportunity to set some guidelines and nudge ICs to get their subproject data in order so that it can be retrieved.

Action: (Don Tiedemann) Send primer for using the subproject features to the listserv.

Frozen Data—The analysts continue to develop frozen data functionality. Right now, you can pull up 2002 frozen data, which will soon be made available to everyone. The NCI has nearly 8,000 records and there were only a couple of problems using QVR to view data, and those problems were all explainable. The group agreed that frozen data for at least five years should be made available. It was noted that, currently, you can view data by a specific year but not by multiple years.

Action: (Thor Fjellstedt) **Send notice to listserv when the frozen data feature is available.**

Action: (Thor Fjellstedt) **Send URL for test site to listserv and request feedback for subproject AND frozen data features.**

Training Tools—Help materials are being added to the test site to better assist testers.

Staff ECB—Use of the Staff ECB is going down, primarily because all of its functionality is in QVR. Therefore, this may be discontinued. Council ECB, of course, will continue to be available.

Link to QVR—Dr. John (JJ) McGowan, eRA manager, has asked the eRA team to put a link to QVR on Web applications in the IMPAC II.

Enhancement Requests

Search Request—George Chacko suggested providing a feature to conduct a name search for a reviewer, and, from the results, also be able to click on further information about the reviewer, e.g., list of grants, committee history, and specific committee roster. Although this information is available in the Committee Management module, it is not easily accessible.

Action: (Don Tiedemann, Cathy Buckley) **Investigate the feasibility of providing grant history, committee history and PI history for each PI.**

Thor noted that he wants to ensure that the features in QVR do not duplicate a feature in one of the eRA modules, and that QVR features and functionality be applicable across most ICs.

Meeting Information—There was a request for the ability to download a report of all Study Sections that includes meeting information such as date, time and location of meeting.

Open Summary Statement—The group would like Summary Statements to open into a new window so that they still have their search and hitlist page available.

All Councils—The group agreed that a button for finding All Councils would be useful. Now you must pick each one you want.

Multiple Project Officers—Although there was some interest in adding a feature to search on multiple project officers, it was agreed that project officers are linked by PCC code and you can search by multiple PCC codes.

Multiple Term Numbers—The request for entering multiple term numbers in a CRISP search was resolved when the analysts offered to help the requestor translate the number queries to a text query to get the requested response.

Program Module

Carlos Caban, Advocate from Program, said that a Program interface is being developed for Program Officials. Much functionality from QVR would be a useful part of the interface. Therefore, Thor and he are determining how they can best work together. Thor will be attending the eRA Program Users Group (EPUG), which meets on the second Wednesday in the afternoon,

and Carlos would like to attend the ECB/QVR Steering Committee meeting. However, he has a conflicting meeting. Thor asked the group if the day and time of the ECB/QVR meeting could be changed so that Carlos can participate. We currently meet on the fourth Wednesday, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. A suggestion is to meet on the fourth Tuesday, from 1:30–3:30 p.m., which is when the IC-Specific Data group used to meet.

Action: (Thor Fjellstedt) Poll the ECB/QVR Steering Committee for an alternative meeting time that accommodates Carlos Caban’s schedule so he can participate in the meeting.

Attendance

Bashir, Karen (NIA)	Fjellstedt, Thor (OER)	Ratnanather, Chanath (OD)
Buckley, Cathy (CIT)	Advocate	Rich, Linda (NCCAM)
Caban, Carlos (OER)	Hardman, Anne (NIA)	Seppala, Sandy (LTS/OCO),
Chacko, George (CSR)	Hodgkins, Earl	Recorder
Connors, Anne (NIAMS)	Ikedo, Rick (NIGMS)	Soltys, Peter (NINDS)
Fay, Rob (NIDDK)	Januszewski, Joe (CIT)	Williamson, Mary Ann
Fischetti, Greg (NCI)	Lindquist, Tere (CSR)	(NIDCR)
	Powell, Bob (NINDS)	