

## Discovery Committee Meeting

August 7, 2018

Minutes

### SCRUM development management process overview

- SCRUM is a framework for managing work, particularly for software development
- SCRUM boiled down to a sentence:
  - “Choose the most important thing to build, build that thing within a set time, put into the world so your customers can start using it and give you valuable feedback.”
- Within a chosen interval (sprint/release), build a piece of working product
  - Monthly releases tied to committee schedule
  - Demonstrate the work to stakeholders
  - Put the new work in to the world, and use the real world feedback to guide further work
- Prioritize work pieces and continually evaluate priorities
  - [Road Map](#)
  - Daily team meeting (stand-up) R&D evaluate in response to how work progresses
  - Formally, the Marmot Product Owner maintains a backlog and orders by priority
- Plan just enough
  - Do enough planning to get the chosen priorities for the sprint done
  - Adapt - adjust plans as new facts are learned

### R&D Agile Board is used to track the progress of YouTrack tickets

- Scheduled - Things to accomplish this sprint
- In Progress - Things that are being worked on now
- Needs External Input - The team has questions for you
- Ready for Verification - Development work that needs to be tested
- In Verification - The development work that is being tested
- Needs Acceptance - The product owner would put their final approval on the ticket
- Done or Accepted - Things that are built and ready for deployment
- Discovery Partner Implementation - This was created for migrations
- Feature - Issues that are building new functionality in Pika
- Bugs - A list of things that are broken
- Questions and Clarifications - Tickets that are informational and questions that need to be answered
- Maintenance Issues - These are operational things that need to be fixed or updated
- Configuration Issues - These are settings that need to be changed or something on the server needs to be updated

### Demo of new features & bug fixes for upcoming release

- [Release Notes](#)

### Discussion of development priorities for the next release

#### [Road Map](#)

#### Current Release

- Sacramento Discovery Partner Implementation
  - Go live planned for September
- Diacritics Handling in Pika
  - Diacritics are not displaying special characters correctly in Pika
  - Send examples of display issues to [pika@marmot.org](mailto:pika@marmot.org)
- Sierra API Extract
  - Still trying to figure out why the API is deleting works that should not be deleted

## Next Release

- Addison Implementation
  - They are a single site Sierra library
  - Kick off call is August 9th
- AspenCat Migration
  - Will start next release
- Horizon ROA Driver
  - Will start next release

## Next Quarter

- DPLA Feed Improvements
  - The next round of DPLA ingest will be in October
- New Team Member(s) On-Boarding
  - Hopefully this will be happening in October

## Reports from libraries on special projects

- Flatirons is waiting for the Prospector/INN-Reach issue to get sorted out to upgrade to Sierra 4.0
- Flatirons is also looking to upgrade to the new [i~tiva talking tech](#)
- Nashville is also on i~tiva. James would be interested to know if any libraries are considering dropping phone notifications all together?
  - Flatirons uses Shoutbomb text messaging
    - Shoutbomb has a new phone notice that is similar to their text messaging, but it is actually a voice message
      - Downside of the notices is they say the item title which is not good when sent to a shared home phone
- Nashville has recently redone their patron loader, which gets public school students library cards
  - In the Pika source code for the drivers for the various ILS, we could build a generalized tool for public libraries to facilitate that work
  - Contact James (james.staub-at-nashville.gov) if you would be interested in using such a tool
  - Flatirons may be interested and will contact James to chat more about it

## [MUG 2018](#) in Grand Junction on October 4th and 5th

- “Hands-On Pika Session” - still have room! Sign up [here](#).
  - This session is good for novices to experts
- Beth Gallinger and James Staub will be presenting as Discovery Committee members - yay!
  - Beth will be talking about how Pika works for public and academic libraries, and consortiums
  - James will be comparing Pika to other discovery layers

## Documentation updates

- [Grouped works not to merge](#)
  - Change language in the documentation that was very specific to Sierra to more generalized language for everyone
- Quick discussion of Pika documentation language -- how can we make everything less specific to Marmot / Sierra libraries for ease of use for all Discovery Partners
  - Pika documentation will be updated to not be so specific to Sierra and Marmot libraries
  - Please let us know ([pika@marmot.org](mailto:pika@marmot.org)) if you find any documentation that is difficult to us, because it is too specific to the Sierra ILS or Marmot members
  - There was a request for a facet logic document similar to the [Format Facet Logic](#) document
    - Pascal will review the best way to produce this type of information

**The next Discovery meeting is on Tuesday, September 4th.**