

This Summary of Decisions of has been republished to reflect the change related to
Authors, Tamazight; Novelists, Tamazight; Kasanga (African people)

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SUMMARY OF DECISIONS, LCSH/LCC EDITORIAL MEETING NUMBER 1 (2024)

January 19, 2024

This month, PTCP received and reviewed 230 proposals for LCSH. We approved 188, or 82 percent. The complete statistical breakdown for the month can be found below.

As a reminder, PTCP is attempting to cap the monthly list at as close to 250 proposals as possible. This means that space is limited. If your proposal is requesting a relatively minor change **only**, such as updating a geographic code from "no decision" to "may subdivide geographically," or requesting that we adjust capitalization in a "used for" reference, do not make a proposal. Instead, contact PTCP at policy@loc.gov. We may be able to make this change "off-list," meaning that no proposal is necessary.

CLASSIFICATION

Changes were made as indicated on the approved list.

Other decisions:

BM538.A2

A cutter span for religious aspects of abortion by religion is established at HQ767.38.A-Z. The proposal is not approved.

DK34.B87

This classification proposal may be resubmitted. See below under *Burzian (Turkic people)*.

DT515.45.B69

This classification proposal may be resubmitted. See below under *Boze (African people)*
GV1469.62.O5

This part of the schedule is for individual games not an entire series. The proposal may be resubmitted.

HM1098; HM1098.2

Works about conspiracy theories are cataloged in AZ999 or under more specific topics like literary forgeries at PN171.F6-.F7, and medical misconceptions at R729.9. Also, as the scope note under Conspiracy theories states, "Works on a particular event that is considered by some to be the result of a conspiracy are entered under the heading or headings appropriate for the event." This would indicate that the works are also classed by the event. The meeting agrees that one number is not enough to encompass this topic but would like to keep the non-specific literature collocated. The proposal may be resubmitted.

KE2289

The work being cataloged should be classed in KZD1146.A-Z. The proposal is not necessary.

PQ2304.C66

The information about the work being cataloged translates to "pity" which is a used for term under the heading **Sympathy**. The proposal may be resubmitted.

TD794.9

The heading **Upcycling (Waste, etc.)** falls under the hierarchy of the heading **Salvage (Waste, etc.)**. The call number should fall somewhere near this topic in the schedule. The proposal may be resubmitted.

KL-KWX4 3521.E67

The work being cataloged should be classed at KL-KWX4 3036.5.V53. The proposal is not necessary.

SUBJECT HEADINGS

Changes were made as indicated on the approved list.

Other decisions:

Asexual people

The call numbers added to a 053 field on this existing heading apply to Asexuality as a concept rather than as a people group. The proposal is not necessary.

Basilique Saint-Donatien-et-Saint-Rogatien (Nantes, France); Basilicas—France

Churches, including basilicas, are established in the Name Authority File according to H 405. The proposals are not necessary.

Boze (African people)

The citations provided in the record state that the people refer to themselves as Anaboze. Please see the [interim guidelines](#) for indigenous heading proposals. More research should be done to figure out the preferred name of the people. The proposal may be resubmitted.

Brussels Bombings, Brussels, Belgium, 2016; Bombings—Belgium, Terrorism—Belgium

The meeting advises the cataloger make sure that all of the used for name variants are accurate and that there are no other naming options. For more guidance see the case study in H 1592. The proposals may be resubmitted.

Burzian (Turkic people)

The meeting advises that the cataloger do more research into the people group, including looking at other resources commonly used for these types of headings. Please see the [interim guidelines](#) for indigenous heading proposals. The proposal may be resubmitted.

Pigeons—Nests

The proposal for *Chabutaras* will be approved, but the originally proposed broader term

will not be approved and will be replaced by **Pigeons—Housing**. Nests are built by the birds themselves and housing refers to human built nesting areas. The proposal is not approved.

Conceptual resources

It is unclear from the citations how this proposal differs from the existing heading **Concepts**. The proposal is not approved.

Congregate housing

The work being cited to support adding the “used for” term Independent assisted living, states that the residents stay in their own homes, which contradicts the established heading. The proposal is not approved.

COVID-19 (Disease)—Religious aspects—Judaism

The meeting was contacted by the proposer and asked to withdraw the proposal from the list.

Davos Debate, Davos, Switzerland, 1929; Academic disputations—Switzerland

The event being proposed as a heading should be established in the Name Authority File according to instruction sheets H 450 and H 1592. The headings are not approved.

Elastic waves; Mechanical waves; Sound waves; Water waves; Wind waves

This set of proposals seek to add additional layers of hierarchy to the existing **Waves** heading. The meeting is concerned that it would become too difficult to locate the necessary headings with the new level. A new “used for” term of *Mechanical waves* has been added to the **Waves** heading to reduce confusion. The headings are not approved.

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Epic literature, Iban

It is unclear from the work being cataloged if it is about epic literature, if it is epic literature, or if it is a collection of epic literature. The proposal may be resubmitted.

Glenlough Valley (Ireland)

In cases where a heading for a river valley is being proposed but the river is not yet in LCSH, the heading for the river should be established at the same time according to SHM H 800. The Glenlough River has not yet been established. The proposal for the Glenlough River Valley (Ireland) may be resubmitted along with an additional proposal for the river.

History and state

Instead of establishing new [Topic] and state headings follow SHM H 1642, which states, "In 1980, the subdivision **-Government policy** was made a free-floating subdivision to be used in lieu of establishing phrase headings of this type". The proposal is not approved.

Joachimsthal family

The proposal contained no information from the work being cataloged regarding the location of the family as required in SHM H 1631.5 sec. 3. This information is required because, among other factors, without location information it would be impossible to determine if a family name changed as a result of immigration. The proposal may be resubmitted.

Kasanga (African people)

After receiving communication from the proposer, it was decided to keep the heading and replace the erroneous work being cataloged from the first 670 field with one that justifies the heading. The cancellation is not approved.

Krumen languages; Tepo language

The citation from Ethnologue states this is part of the name of three separate languages. All the languages will need to be proposed as separate headings. The proposal is not approved. The associated *Tepo language* proposal may be resubmitted.

Linguists

Subject headings for specialized military professionals such as **—Boiler technicians**, **—Chaplains**, and **—Flight surgeons**, etc., are entered under the list of pattern subdivisions for military services in SHM H 1159. The proposal may be resubmitted as a proposal for a new pattern subdivision see SHM H 1146. Alternatively, if the position is

unique to a particular branch of the United States military, the proposal may be resubmitted as a subdivision under that branch, e.g., **United States. Navy—Cryptologic technicians**. The proposal may be resubmitted.

National sports

The topic of the work being cataloged would be covered by the heading, **Sports—Tajikistan**. The proposal is not approved.

Nyankole language

Ethnologue only lists Nyankore-Kiga language as an alternate name for Chiga language not Nyankole language. The proposal is not approved.

People with mental disabilities and music

H 310 gives a clear description of what is required to create a [topic] and [topic] heading. There needs to be a reciprocal relationship established between the two topics. This was not evident in the citations for the proposal. The proposal is not approved.

Physics—Study and teaching—Aids and devices

It is unclear from the work being cataloged what aids and devices, if any, are being used for the teaching of physics. The cataloger can post-coordinate the headings **Physics—Study and teaching** with **Teaching—Aids and devices**. The proposal is not approved.

Speculative fiction, Dutch

According to SHM H 202, the standard requirement for any proposal is that the citation for the work cataloged have information in English that relates the work being cataloged to the heading being proposed. A brief cataloger's summary, in English, of the content of the work would be sufficient. The proposal may be resubmitted.

Streeteries

Many of the 670s cite the recent pandemic, which would point to the ephemeral nature of streeteries. This term is just a way to refer to outdoor dining at restaurants. The proposal is not approved.

Tarot cards—Pirated editions

The proposal is referring to the “isness” of the material being cataloged rather than the “aboutness”. The term **Tarot cards** exists in LCGFT which can be used with the LCSH heading of **Piracy (Copyright)**. The proposal is not approved.

Topanga State Park (Calif.)

Topanga State Park is in the county of Los Angeles and not the city, so it shouldn't be qualified by the city. The proposal is not approved.

Waterbird (Floatplane)

Individually named planes are added to the Name Authority File. The proposal is not approved.

Women and land tenure

H 310 gives a clear description of what is required to create a [topic] and [topic] heading. There needs to be a reciprocal relationship established between the two topics. This was not evident in the citations for the proposal. The meeting suggests the cataloger consider proposing *Women—Effect of land tenure on*. The proposal is not approved.

Young adult literature, Japanese

According to SHM H 202, the standard requirement for any proposal is that the citation for the work cataloged have information in English that relates the work being cataloged to the heading being proposed. A brief cataloger's summary, in English, of the content of the work would be sufficient. The proposal may be resubmitted.

LC Medium of Performance Thesaurus

Changes were made as indicated on the approved list.

SUBJECT HEADINGS on Special List 2401a

Changes were made as indicated on the approved special list.

Other decisions:

Children's questions and answers; Etiquette for children and teenagers; Limericks, Juvenile; Music theory—Elementary works; Riddles, Juvenile; Sex instruction for children; Sex instruction for teenagers; Wit and humor, Juvenile

Proposals were made to delete the “used for” references for headings subdivided by —**Juvenile literature**. The meeting deemed the proposed changes unnecessary because the references correctly represent equivalent terms or phrases, per H 373, sec. 1. The proposals were not approved.

Love—Comic books, strips, etc.; Love—Fiction; Love—Juvenile fiction; Love—Poetry; Love poetry; Romance comic books, strips, etc.

Proposals were made to remove scope notes. However, these reciprocal scope notes are necessary as they provide contrasting information on closely related or overlapping headings. See H 400, sec. 1. The proposals were not approved.

Romance fiction

A proposal was made to amend the scope notes and specify that the heading is only a topical one. However, the heading **Romance fiction** combines both form and topical aspects into a single phrase heading. It may be assigned to works about romance fiction and to collections of works of romance fiction. See H 1790, sections 2.a, 2.b, and 3.b. The proposal was not approved.

STATISTICS

Status of proposals	LCSH	LCMPT	Special List 2401a
Approved*	188	2	76
Authority records cancelled*	5	0	0
Not necessary	2	0	0
Not approved	24	0	15
Resubmit	12	0	0

*The number of proposals approved is approximate and may change slightly during the final processing of

the Approved List.

*The number of authority records cancelled is also included in the total number of proposals approved.