PROJECT ATHENA RELEASE NOTES

OLC Version 2.3DRAFT

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1. Introduction

This document describes the software changes in OLC version 2.3DRAFT{a-e}. The release notes are written as a set of changes to the current version.

This is an incomplete list and mostly reflects what I can type in 20 minutes.

Stuff that is iffy.

2. Client changes

2.1. *olc{r}*

- *cancel* exits on the olc side
- *done* offers some sort of indication that there are unread messages, depending on the situation.
- *describe* indents when prompting for a note such that it should cause a newline when exceeding max length.
- *instance* has been converted to abide by the standard parsing rules.
- *instance* insures that a number was entered.
- *list* provides options to sort. See help file.
- some display preference in *list*. See help file.
- *mail* allows the passing of arguments to sendmail. This is amusing.
- *mail* should report an error when having a problem connecting to mailhub.
- *status* should print fixed width columns (those of you who grab more than 9 questions know what I mean). The numbers, when they get jumbled, are printed in order. Holes may still exist.
- Obscure kerberos errors are trapped.
- The phrase 'Kerberos ticket' has been made plural to abide by Wheel of Fortune & Red Sox standards.

2.2. *maude*

- Database control.
- Demise of the *load* command.
- Installation of the *cheese* command.

3. Server changes

- Various corrections to messages. Logs messages look a bit more uniform.
- Changing the topic actually changes the topic.
- Time/date formats have changed.
- "titles have usernames"- I jotted this down but have no idea what it means.
- Changed database to use ndbm in place of home grown parser.
- Logging mechanism configurable.
- Better accounting of administrative requests.
- Re-working of authorization stuff.
- Reflect queue name in zephyr broadcast messages.
- Improved memory management.
- Switching from libacl to home grown access control system.