

DISC/Knowledge Bank meeting – December 6, 2006

Minutes submitted by Tom Cetwinski

Present: Beth Black, Wes Boomgaarden, Tschera Connell, Nena Couch, Amy McCrory, Sarah Murphy, Mary Rider, Sally Rogers, Tom Cetwinski, Dan Noonan, Nancy O'Hanlon.

1. **Project Load:** Tschera Connell walked the group through ProjectLoad.com. DISC members are expected to use the program to manage DISC/KB projects. Project Load needs to be updated on a regular basis, and all DISC/KB members should review periodically.
2. **D-Pubs:** discussion deferred pending further information.
3. **Special Collections Exhibits:** Nena Couch reviewed two digital exhibits, "Elsie Janis" and "Ohio Cartoonists." After discussing various websites to link to the exhibits page, it was suggested that Larry Allen be informed for promotional purposes.
4. ***Indice del teatro uruguayo:*** This is a comprehensive catalog of Uruguayan theater, which includes two cross-referenced directories: a directory of authors (approximately 450), organized in alphabetical order, and a directory of critical entries of selected plays (approximately 800), accessible both by author and by title. Every author's entry lists all the plays written and/or staged by that author in chronological order. Every play's critical entry (in average two pages long) includes more detailed information, like general characteristics of the play, publishing data, date of premiere, topics, characters, and a critical analysis. They could be accessed either directly or from the authors' entries. Prof. Abril Trigo is looking for a permanent home for the *Indice*. When he returns to the United States in January he will be invited to discuss the project with DISC.
5. **Knowledge Bank:** Tschera brought to the group's attention a project under Kathy Webb's direction that models the University of Toronto in promoting digital repositories as a means of encouraging new methods of scholarly communications. Kathy's group will interview three participants in the Knowledge Bank: Bill Mitsch, Lynn Elfner and David Huron. The project should be complete by the end of January and be available on the Knowledge Bank webpage.
6. **The Lantern:** Amy reported that there will be two RFPs to go out in January – one for search & delivery and a second for scanning of the Lantern. Print copy from the Lantern will be delivered and housed in Ackerman Library in the near future.
8. **DISC Minutes:** Darft minutes should be sent in an e-mail to Mary Rider (Law) and Eric Schnell (Heath Sciences).
9. **FRIL:** Kathryn Jakes, a professor in Human Ecology, talked with Tom about the possibility of creating the FRIL in the KB. She is preparing an NEH grant proposal to be submitted in July and needs help with the technical part of creating the image library,

making it available on the web, and preserving it. Much work has been done on this idea by Prof. Jakes and her colleagues around the country, and they want quite a few metadata fields and rich searching capability that cannot be provided by the KB. Kathryn Jakes met with Tom, Sally and Joe on November 30 to begin to identify the library's role in the development of the database. Professor Jakes was assured that the library would be a willing participant in project development. We said we would examine what has been done to date and advise on options by the end of December. We intend to discuss the project with Diane Dagefoerde with respect to Media Manager.

Next Meeting: December 20, 5754 Ackerman Library, 8:30- 10:30.

Topics:

- Digital Projects update (Nancy)
- DPubs update (Sally)

12/6/06 TC

J:\Committees\DISC\Minutes\2006\DISC-KB 061206.doc