

**DISC minutes**  
**14 January 2009**

Present: Beth Black, Wes Boomgaarden, Tschera Connell, Nena Couch, Joseph Galron, Amy McCrory, Dan Noonan, Sally Rogers, Mary Scott, Beth Whittaker

**1. Agenda Review**

**2. Minutes (Amy)**

**3. Lantern web site (Amy)**

Amy presented the web site created by Olive Software, and demonstrated a few of its search, browse, and display features. All files digitized from paper will be added this year, and possibly all of the microfilm, depending on how soon we begin the microfilming. It was agreed that the site can be made public now, instead of waiting until all of the files are there. Amy will work with Larry Allen on publicizing the project in The Lantern, On Campus, etc.

**4. DRMC (OhioLINK Digital Resources Management Committee) update (Nena)**

Nothing to report from the December meeting because it was cancelled. The next meeting will be January 15. Nena put the topic of provenance on the agenda and will show DRMC members examples of how this is done at other libraries.

Also on the agenda, proposed federated searching of DRMC collections plus institutions' local DSpace collections. This is currently under development at OhioLINK; PKP Harvester is being tested. It will search metadata only. Examples are on DRMC's wiki, <http://sites.google.com/a/ohiolink.edu/drmc/>

**5. CNI (Coalition for Networked Information) meeting (Sally)**

Sally brought two items of particular interest from the 2008 Fall CNI Task Force Meeting to DISC:

- OAI-ORE (Open Archives Initiative – Object Reuse and Exchange)  
Development of OAI-ORE has been ongoing for two years. The specifications are now available. OAI-ORE is meant to preserve, contextualize, and share aggregated Web resources that people use. The standard will reflect current Web architecture, as well as emerging Web 2.0 practices. One feature is transfer from Fedora to DSpace. Beth B. remarked that this will be helpful in our own digital initiatives, as it might enable better federated searches that would include object information beyond metadata.
- NSF Task Force report: “Fostering Learning in the Networked World: The Cyberlearning Opportunity and Challenge.” Emphasizes interoperable systems, with shared hardware, software, and services, to support learning. Usability and compatibility of systems are essential.

## **6. DISC Annual Report to the Faculty (Sally)**

The committee discussed what to include in this year's report. Recommended:

- Our strategic planning goals and accomplishments to date.
- Our continuing work with standards, and our efforts to share reports, summaries, guides, etc.
- The redesign of the web site.
- Successful completion of the Daphne Dare and *Lantern* projects.

## **7. DISC web site (Beth B.)**

The committee reviewed the site, recommending changes to be made before the faculty report is due. Among the changes:

- Get rid of "Featured Additions."
- Standards and recommendations: OAIS-TRAC needs summary paragraph written, and full report in PDF linked to the page. These should be added for PDF/A as well.
- Nena already checked the Terms of Use, and determined that they don't need adjusting.
- The "Spotlight" will feature two projects this year, Daphne Dare and the *Lantern*.
- Beth B. identified parts of the "Print Collections," "Image Collections," and "Guides and Databases" pages that need revising.

## **8. Present an overview of digital initiatives? (Sally)**

Joe Branin mentioned to Sally that a presentation on digital initiatives might be a good idea. This fits with our strategic goal of communicating our work more widely. After some discussion of schedules, it was decided to request 25-30 minutes at the February Faculty Meeting. Nena and Amy will give presentations on Daphne Dare and the *Lantern*, respectively.

## **9. Setting DISC agendas for 2009 (Sally)**

Sally took recommendations for topics at upcoming meetings. The following topics were decided upon:

February: Federated searching and other delivery-related issues

March: Communications, presentations, and feedback from user groups

April: PDF/A

May: Prioritization of projects

June: Assessment Subcommittee report

July: Preservation metadata and file formats

October: Migration – 1) analog to digital, 2) digital to digital as a strategy to deal with obsolescence

August, September, November, and December agendas will be determined later.

10. A digitization request from the Avant Writing Collection led to a discussion about:
  - Copyright
  - How requests are brought to DISC / KB
  - Prioritization of projects. This last topic proved fertile enough to be put on the agenda for the May 2009 meeting.

Minutes submitted 1/16/09.