

## Web Development Group 3/14/06

Present: Candido, Cantrell, Dixon, Juhl, Miller, Morgan, Nutt, Pearce, Walker

1. Minutes from the 2/21/06 meeting  
approved with additions/corrections from Jan
2. Reports:

- a. New Web Site Design

Beth reported that the dean approved the new design of red and khaki. A suggestion was to make the hours in the upper right had corner less busy.

The group discussed some other tweaks, including:

- i. columns on main page: make the second line indent for wrapping purposes
- ii. libraries and collections: separate two categories with a thin red line; add Pryor Center to collections
- iii. About the Libraries: add Personnel Directory
- iv. news rotator: consider in future making this headlines only, for an RSS feed
- v. exhibit images: make the left a library image and the right a current exhibit image; add a cutline and link to "Current Exhibits."
- vi. Search: after discussion, it was decided to add an actual search box here with a pull-down menu showing the options:

Search <the Library Catalog:>   
<for a Database:>  
<the Library Web Site:>  
<the UA Web Site:>  
<the Internet:>

The Los Angeles Public Library Web Site has a good example of this:

<http://www.lapl.org/>

The group then discussed the implementation schedule for the new design, which is planned for May 16 – 20. Beth asked group members to review certain areas of the site in preparation for migration. It was decided that the main web page should be release first, then modules as they are completed.

- b. MacDonald Imagery Project

Jan reported on this joint effort with CAST and Geosciences. Lucija, the student who first worked on the scanning of the imagery and the project web page, will be giving a poster at the Lunar and Planetary Science Conference. Jan passed around the project web page; input will be needed from the Web Group on how to integrate the CAST pages with the Library site.

- c. Campus Web Council

Beth reported on two items from Campus Web Council: a possible shared calendar application and the ASG student site initiative.

- d. Finding Aids Conversion

Tim and Arthur reported on efforts in the area; they are exploring going straight to an XML markup rather than HTML.

- e. Fay Jones Database

Beth reported that Gretta and Ellen have almost completed updating the database and have begun scanning in images for thumbnails.

- f. Weekly Hours Page

Arthur is working on the revised admin pages, which we will have Lora test. Will be ready to be released soon but re-linking all the department pages will require care as there are links to hours from throughout the site.

g. Supplies Order Form

David and Lee have delivered the database but now this is on hold while we work on other projects.

h. CONTENTdm

Todd will give an extract of the Shared History database to Arthur and Beth to see if it can be moved off the Thales server to allow work on the "BY Request" images to go forward. The group also discussed storage needs in Special Collections.

Next meeting: Tuesday March 28<sup>h</sup> meeting cancelled because of Cabinet and Course Management Software demo in Union. Therefore, our next meeting will be April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,

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