Catholic Research Resources Alliance: Moving toward broader implementation

November 1-2, 2007
Boston College
Chestnut Hill Campus

A list of meeting participants (as of Thursday October 25) is at the end of the agenda.

Wednesday, October 31  Arrival, no events planned

Thursday November 1  Burns Library British Catholic Authors Room
Breakfast rolls, juice and coffee will be provided in the meeting room.

9:00 – 9:45  Opening Plenary Session

- Welcome, connection with participants joining via phone, introductions
- Adoption of agenda
- Brief update of recent CRRA events  – Jennifer
  o (See end of agenda)*1

9:45 – 10:45  Second Plenary Session (continuing)

- Overview of EAD : what is in it, how does an EAD file get read and displayed Desired outcome: Understand the implications of archival standards, including EAD for continuing development of portal functionality & usability, and for participation by others  - Discussion leader Kevin Cawley
- Overview of CRRA portal - Eric Morgan (ND Team Catholic Portal) on current functionality and architecture  Desired outcome: Understand the implications for participation by others and future development needs

10:45 – 11:00  Break

11:00 – 12:30  Concurrent sessions

Joint session Metadata/Collections

- Review agenda
- Discuss relationships among various metadata standards, how applied, etc. including EAD, Dublin Core, DACS (Describing Archives: A Content Standard)
- Review current statements on metadata standards and communication protocols, e.g. OAI, in the CRRA Prospectus and previous Metadata Committee minutes
- Identify what has been learned from the pilot projects (Action item 8)
- Discuss best practices for getting new content on the portal. Refer to Action item 9: Refine and implement the process for bringing resources under intellectual control and display on the portal
• One example: Digital Scriptorium –

Steering Committee

• Review agenda
• Discuss funding opportunities and requests: to whom, for what, by whom, signatory and fiduciary
  authority, responsibilities of requestor, etc.
• Determine how grant proposals relate to a CRRA budget and activities
• Review activities, staffing needs, proposed job description, and draft budget (draft budget to be
  distributed on site)

12:30 – 1:45 Lunch (adjacent room)

1:45 - 3:00 Concurrent sessions

Joint session Metadata/Collections

• Continue discussion on what has been learned from the pilot project, best practices
• Identify activities, resources and next steps needed to link content by current and future
  participants
• Review proposed job description for CRRA project manager (document attached)
• Review report for next plenary session

Steering Committee

• Connection with participants joining via phone
• Review definition of the CRRA: “A collaboration of 8 Catholic colleges and universities to share
  their resources electronically with librarians, archivists, researchers, scholars interested in the
  Catholic experience, and the general public
• Discuss options for CRRA administration (a Secretariat) and governance committees
• Determine the categories of institutional partners for participation and/or membership
• Review report for next plenary session

3:00 – 3:45 Break (a walk or library visit possible)

3:45 – 5:00 Plenary session

• Committee reports and discussion
• Develop principles for committee governance and decision making
• Creating a scholarly advisory board – Tim Meagher
  • Purpose, participants, how to use their advice

5 p.m. Adjourn. Free time for a tour of the library or campus
5:45 p.m. Dinner at 6 p.m. at Legal Seafoods. A longish walk. Transportation will be arranged.

Friday, November 2  Burns Library British Catholic Authors Room
Breakfast rolls, juice and coffee will be provided in the meeting room.

9:00 – 10:30  Concurrent sessions

Joint session Metadata/Collections

- Connection with participants joining via phone
- Review agenda
- Continue discussion from previous sessions
- Discuss browse functionality and other enhancements for the portal
- Identify actions for the Metadata and/or Collection Committee, their relative importance, how they can be achieved, etc.
- Prepare report for the Plenary Session

Steering Committee

- Review Action Item 13 (In Actions in progress) in Prospectus
  http://www.catholicresearch.net/?cmd=about
- Identify next steps for the Steering Committee
  o Communicating with CRRA Leadership Committee, ACCU, CLA, ATLA, etc.
  o Meet at the ACCU Annual Conference, Feb. 2-4, 2008, Washington, D.C.
- Prepare report for the Plenary Session

10:30 – 10:45  Break

10:45 – Noon  Plenary session

- Group reports with an emphasis on next steps and what is needed to move forward
- Review communication activities and responsibilities
  o Within and among CRRA committees
  o From CRRA to CRRA Leadership committee, ACCU library and archive directors, seminary library directors, ACCU Exec. Director, CLA, ATLA, future participating libraries and archives, sponsors, etc.
- Identify others interested in contributing to the book chapter in Digital Scholarship, a monographic supplement to the journal, Technical Services Quarterly (Haworth Press) to be edited by Marta Deyrup, Seton Hall University (outline document attached)
- Wrap up

Noon  Adjourn  Lunch optional.
**1 Brief update of recent CRRA events**

- From CRRI to CRRA
- Contact on [http://www.catholicresearch.net](http://www.catholicresearch.net)
- Communications about CRRA
- Book chapter in progress (outline to be sent via email)
- Leadership Committee
- Update on fund raising activities, including status of CRRI fund and ACCU solicitation
- Distribution of proposed job description
- Desired outcome for all of the above: Shared understanding of current status

**2 List of Meeting Participants (as of Thursday, October 25)**

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