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**CRRA Collections Committee Agenda and Minutes**

**Thursday, June 6, 2013**

**1:00 pm Pacific**

**2:00 pm Mountain**

**3:00 pm Central**

**4:00 pm Eastern**

**CALL-IN INFO**

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Attendee access code: 216 605 75

Host access code (Diane): 216 794 44

Present: Diane, Alan Delozier, John Buchtel, Lorraine, Kathy, Jennifer, Pat, Alan Krieger

1. **Welcome and announcements**
   1. CRRA Annual Meeting in Chicago - Events July 1-2  
      Details at <http://www.catholicresearch.net/cms/index.php/crra-news-and-events/>
   2. Monday afternoon on digitizing newspapers important (Jennifer)
2. **Approval of minutes** from 4.24.13 (attached)

Approved.

1. **Discussion of CRRA Goals 2013-2014** (Proposed Goals and Year-end Summary attached) including discussion of proposals from the Membership Committee for collaborative goals (longer version attached):

* *Assistance in prioritizing collections at institutions who have expressed some interest in joining CRRA, or institutions that others have suggested we contact about joining CRRA*. **Response from committee: yes, will do.** This will be a committee goal for next year. Good role for this committee since this goal is focused on collection development of the portal via new members’ potential contributions.
  + Assess membership applications to prioritize who to invite to join, based on collection strength. Have only one completed application. Membership committee will share blank form with Collections Committee for input on design and will share completed application form that is pending approval.
  + There is a current list has about 45 institutions that have collections of interest. This list has developed informally over time. Membership can give Collections the “Collections of Interest to the Portal” for review.

* *Collaboration between Membership and Collections on pursuing development of a census of Catholic research collections, and if resources are available to do a pilot project*.  **Response from committee: hold.** This year’s activities regarding new members might be useful indirectly in looking at this idea as a future goal. Committee needs further review on this. Discussion regarding census:
  + Daunting to do a census of all. Diane suggests start small. Perhaps begin with diocesan collections.
  + Natural role of Collections to prioritize members based on institution collections (Alan K.), but questions the committee’s role in creating a census.
  + Jennifer - doing the first goal may help to inform this one. Could include reviewing information on Membership form.
  + Jac Treanor in proposing diocesan directory had in mind a directory not available at the record level.
  + Starting with current members could be a good starting point.
  + Suggestion to begin with CRRA members to gather data about member collections at a higher level.
* Goals discussion background from CRRA Committee Chairs meeting  
  **From Jennifer**:   
  *On behalf of Janice and Tyrone, I am sending their suggestions for working toward achievable goals for the coming year.  Three top priorities plus a 4th enabling priority are proposed below:*

*1.       Catholic Newspapers*

*2.       More outreach and member mentoring*

*3.       Harvesting new content*

*4.       Secure resources in support of program goals (an enabling goal)*      
  
*As your committees meet in late May/early June,* ***we want your advice on what these top priorities can do for us as well as your input on how we phrase and interpret top priorities would be much appreciated.*** *We are not proposing changes in the committee goals. The priorities above reflect the discussions with committee chairs and the activities in the proposed goals document sent out by Pat.  At the same time, given the finite capacity of CRRA (meaning Pat and me) to support committees in achieving these goals, the top priorities we hope will help committees in limiting the scope of activities they plan and give all of us some “big goals” to rally round.*

Mentoring. How to extend this role? Needs more discussion.

1. **Genre terms for shared collections**, such as Jesuitica (use of 655 field for other portal collections)
   1. Kathy: David assigned the term “Jesuitica” to the 655 field to BC’s Jesuitica in the portal.
2. **Next meeting date:** Aug. 9