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CRRA Catholic Newspapers Task Force

Thursday October 27, 2011

11:00 a.m. – Noon Eastern, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Central

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AGENDA

Present: Cait Kokolus, Pat Lawton, Malachy McCarthy, Noel McFerran, Susan Ohmer, Steven Szegedi, Jennifer Younger

1. Approve draft minutes from Oct. 20 meeting (attached)

Approved.

2. Discussion items: (prospectus outline attached)
 - a. Compiling the list

Recommend that 6 months for survey be extended to 9 months. What kind of person? Librarian? Major skill is organization and a way to encourage people to give results, need people skills. Database knowledge (Access). Identify tools from the outset and ensure that person has those skills.

Graduate student with database experience, blog experience preferred for 9 month contract, \$30K. Begin fall 2012. In-kind space for computer services, etc. Office and computer and phone - \$5K to hosting institution. Travel expenses for consultation, \$3K. Newsletter costs, updates on project, electronic. Blog with occasional newsletter. One initial release that is a memorable artifact in itself, newspaper style. From there, could be cheaper. Graphic design gives clarity to the project. Prior to person being hired. Marketing/graphic design \$5K for initial release, website, blog, business cards, set branding.

Institutions link to the blog for the project. Marketing aspect of the grant. Hit link and blog. We will actively engage scholars. Tagging your library page – crra. Our responsibility to take to conferences etc. emails to programs in history, theology, Catholic studies.

- b. Digitization period

Identify one particular collection or run, and target that, showcase how made one run of a newspaper. Philadelphia standard and times – exists in microfilm. Historical value prior to nativist riots in phila. Name changes 1900-present. Would also want to do some paper.

Representation of full object. full run, critical to American history. Scan one. Practice with that. Digitize both formats and - other holdings in the portal. It will list already digitized and those needing digitization.

Part 1 how working with scholars to create, respond, or assess demand. Blog.

c. Digitization costs – what about building the repository? Part 2

3. Other

4. Wrap up and next steps

Nov 1 – to Terry, Jennifer, Tim

Nov 3 – to Newspaper TF, Collections, DAC

Nov 8 – to Mellon