

**MILEX Committee Meeting**  
**Thursday, 8/15/06**  
**10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**  
**UMUC Prince George's Metro Center III**

**Present:** Thomas Arendall-Salvetti; Sarah Crest; Shana Gass; Sean Henry; Uta Hussong; Barbara Mann; Beth Mulherrin; Sara Nixon; Karen Quinn-Wisniewski; Randy Smith

The minutes for the July 12, 2006 MILEX meeting were approved.

**Membership/Treasury Report**

- We need to think about how we can solicit new members
  - Call new people to let them know that we are here
  - Market to CLIS
  - Sara will explore some venues and come up with a list of suggestions
- It was voted to close the MILEX discussion list to nonmembers, reserving it as a benefit of membership
  - Uta and Sara will work together to clean up the lists
  - Sara will send out a message to the list indicating that this is happening and when?
- New members are Barbara Mann, Randy Smith and Karen Quinn-Wisniewski
- Barb Mann had a problem entering her title into the membership form
  - Uta will change character limit to more than 25 characters

**Use of MILEX Logo**

- Question arose as to whether MILEX members would be allowed to post the logo (should be a tiff file)
- It was decided to allow it to be put all over by members who have paid their dues , linking it back to the MILEX page, as this will help our marketing efforts

**Distribution of MILEX materials**

- Question arose about sharing of MILEX materials, in particular property rights
- Before we share something with the group, we need to make sure that our library is ok with this
- We can share but with permission and credit
- It was decided that we need to create a copyright statement – Creative Commons copyright – See <http://creativecommons.org/>
  - Allows the copyright holder to grant some rights to the public, at the same time as protecting other rights
  - Sean will look into feasibility of Creative Commons copyright for MILEX

## MILEX Presenters

- Need a rate structure for presentation- Sarah Crest mentioned that the going rate structure for consulting that she has done is \$250 for 2 hrs w/ activity, \$500 for ½ day, \$1000 for 1 day, \$1500 for 1 day w/ help
- It was decided that we will discuss/decide on this later
- Will need a separate Speakers Bureau page on Web site - among us we should have 2 speakers

## Sean's presentation about Web 2.0

- Sean's presentation was entitled "Breaking Down the Garden Wall: Web 2.0: blogs and RSS Feeds in Library Settings"
  - Library needs to take advantage of these new technologies that provide platforms for collaborative communication
  - Some examples of library blogs include:
    - <http://lorenzen.blogspot.com>
    - <http://acrlblog.org>
    - <http://librarianinblack.typepad.com/librarianinblack>
  - Example of a library Web site as a blog (Ann Arbor District Library):
    - <http://www.aadl.org>
  - Some examples of RSS aggregators:
    - <http://my.yahoo.com>
    - <http://www.bloglines.com>
  - Example of where to find a news or blog by topic:
    - <http://www.feedster.com>
  - Some examples of tools that will help you set up a blog or RSS feed:
    - <http://wordpress.com>
    - <http://www.blogger.com>
    - <http://www.sixapart.com/typepad>
  - Sean gave some examples of the many ways that libraries can use RSS feeds and blogs
- Sean's entire presentation will be available to MILEX members in the members only area of the MILEX Web site

## Conference Planning

- Sarah Crest confessed that she had been trying to do too much on the conference by herself when she should have asked for help. She will ask.
- Stephen has agreed to put a space on the Web page to include Fall Conference.
- **Food**
  - Members had agreed that they would be responsible for morning eats to save costs
  - Uta will work on luncheon menu
- Sarah Crest will get flyer ready to be sent out
  - It was agreed that each member will print/distribute it at their own institution

- Hand it out at new faculty orientation – send it out to departments
- Sarah Crest needs someone to work on speaker contacts – will need someone to coordinate speakers and find out what equipment they need– Susan Cooperstein agreed to do this
  - Can call Simmona or Uta to find out about what is available on site
- Sarah Crest has contacted Diane Harvey and is waiting for her to get back
  - She would be a great person/speaker to tie things together
- Thomas agreed to manage registration, which will be paper, rather than electronic
  - We will not be doing online registration this time, as we need to respect the time constraints of the USM Foundation staff
- We need to meet either Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> or Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> to set up for the conference – SN will poll members (through E-mail) to determine the day that will work best for most people

### **Presentation Ideas for Future Meetings**

- What do we need to know?
  - Uta will do a program on wikis in November
  - Assessment, podcasts / screencasts, millenials, federated searching (library portal), teams presentations are some possible suggestions
  - UMUC July Writing Conference - Building Bridges: Integrating Writing, Critical Thinking and Information Literacy – See [http://polaris.umuc.edu/~acavanau/july2006/umuc\\_julywriting2006b.html](http://polaris.umuc.edu/~acavanau/july2006/umuc_julywriting2006b.html)
    - Catherine Carsley did interesting presentation on what she sees in students – See Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1 p.m.

### **Next Meeting**

Next meeting will be on Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 3 p.m. (replacing 9/28 meeting that was set to meet from 10 – 12) at Loyola, Columbia. See the MILEX Web site for directions.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Sara Nixon  
 Secretary, MILEX  
 15 August 2006