

Digital POWRR

Preserving digital Objects With Restricted Resources

Project Update E-mail: April 22, 2013

Hi Everyone,

First, I would like to thank you all for your patience and words of encouragement while I was out caring for my daughter. Evelyn is doing well and is excited to go back to school for full days starting later this week! Of course, it helps that she gets to take cupcakes to her classroom to celebrate her return :-)

I want to take a moment to regroup with everyone to make sure we are all on the same page. Do you recall making the project schedule at our first face to face last August and the wide-eyed looks around the room as we realized how intense this project would be? The great news is that we are still completely on track!! In fact, with our no-cost extension approval, we have bought ourselves some time at the end of the project to carry out a strong dissemination plan!

Our 2 big recent accomplishments:

Completing the Tool Grid - We are currently formatting it for placement on our website...we will go live with it very soon!

Completing interviews and capturing the data - We have converged all of the partner databases that were submitted and are ready to start crunching the data to look for report-worthy trends and findings.

Thank you for all of your efforts in these activities!!!

Here are some updates to share:

TECHNOLOGY INSTALLATION

At NIU, we will be wrapping up the last of the installations this week. The other partners have until the end of May to give the installations their best shot. Then, Nathan and I will be visiting the partners south of NIU during the week of June 3rd to wrap up installations on those campuses. We will be hitting the Chicago State campus shortly after that. The POWRR DuraCloud account is live. MetaArchive's BagIt Ingest processes have been sent to us...they are ready to move forward with the actual testing this summer.

CASE STUDIES

The target date for completion of the case studies is late September. At NIU, we are aiming to complete ours by the end of June. Lynne is hoping to use our case study at a discussion in July and it will be available to you if you are looking for guidance on format, etc.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

We will have our monthly call in as usual on **Monday, May 6**. We will be using that time to hammer out the agenda for the Advisory Board Meeting, which will be taking place **May 15-16**. We can also plan on staying on the line after our May 6 call to talk through any questions you have or challenges you have run into with installing the tools locally. Of course, you are welcome to reach out to us anytime :-) Patrice - We are working on addressing your particular challenges and we will be in touch once you are back in the office.....no worries!

UPCOMING CONFERENCES

- Drew has been asked to speak at a meeting of librarians from the Ohio Five colleges as well as The College of Wooster's Independent Study symposium later this week.
- Jaime will be giving a lightning talk at the PASIG meetings in late May
- Lynne is a discussion group leader at the RBMS Preconference in June
- Aaisha will be attending the NEDCC's Digital Directions Conference in July
- Meg and Lynne will be presenting at the SAA conference in August

We have lots of exciting things happening and some heavy lifting ahead of us! Thank you again for all of your efforts thus far. I will place a copy of this message on the wiki in the meeting notes section for your future reference.

Warmly,
Jaime