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Subject: Spring meeting notes, May 11, 2007

Ohio Digitization Interest Group Spring meeting Notes
Friday, May 11, 2007, 11:15AM-1PM. "Business Planning and Sustainability for Digital Projects"
Speaker: Laurie Gemmill, OCLC
Host: Laurie Gemmill, RSVP to Laurie_Gemmill@oclc.org, by Tuesday, May 8.
Site: Kilgour Building, OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc., Dublin, Ohio

10 attendees, several from OCLC. Other institutions represented: State Library of Ohio and Ohio
University, also Kent State library school-Columbus students and a recent graduate.

Laurie Gemmill presented on something that should concern us all--sustainability for digital projects.
Laurie covered sustainability issues, guiding principles, business planning, needs assessment, and
financial plans. What happens when someone puts up a pet project then leaves the institution; someone
else gets grant funding then it runs out; the forward momentum grinds to halt? Much of the answer is: do
the work on the front end. Her resources list will be available for download from the meetings page.
(Laurie's presentation was originally scheduled for February but had to be cancelled due to bad weather.)

9 attended lunch and "members meeting."

Upcoming programs: Two possibilities--usability w/ Janet Carleton presenting on turnkey software
Morae w/ OCLC usability staff, and include tour of OCLC's usability lab. Or Matt and Nikki Swift (Kent
students) reporting on their video digitizing study.

With the strong student presence most discussion was on how to reach out to and involve students. Friday
is a good day for students to meet. Attendance from other institutions was very light and we discussed
why that might be (no good answers).

-- Next meetings:
Friday, September 14, 2007. Working title "OSU's Knowledge Bank: Focus on Policy"
Speakers: Maureen Walsh, Metadata Librarian/Assistant Professor and Tschera Connell, Associate
Professor and Head, both from the Scholarly Resources Integration Department, OSU
Host: Tschera Connell, RSVP to connell.17 -at- osu.edu, by Monday, September 10.
Lunch: Brown bag
Site: Ackerman Library, The Ohio State University Libraries, 600 Ackerman Rd, Columbus, Ohio 43202-
4500

Friday, November 2, 9, or 16, 2007. Subject TBA.
Host: OhioNET, Columbus, or OCLC, Dublin

thanks! janet
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