

DGOC December 8, 2009

AM Attendees:

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PM Attendees:

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Tim Donohue, new DSpace Tech Lead will be joining both calls!

1) News/Updates

- 1.6 Testathon started yesterday
- Ambassador program - up to 27 volunteers
- Solution Communities - webinar 2 wks ago and upcoming presentations in the next few wks
- DuraCloud webinar next week Dec 16 (<http://www.education-webevents.com/>)

2) 1.6 Testathon

- What you can do?: http://wiki.dspace.org/index.php/DSpace_Release_1.6.0_Testathon_Page
- Where to get guidance/confirmation?: DSpace IRC chat:<http://dspace.testathon.net/>, enter in a nickname of your choice and click "Login"
- Where to report a bug?: JIRA <http://jira.dspace.org>

3) Summary of everyone's feedback from last mtg of what the DGOC focus should be going forward:

- help new and existing users make connections
- drive discussion/interactions on social network
- encourage people who develop code to contribute back
- drive dynamic database project and encourage it's use
- create helpful resources/tools for how to do things/user content tools
- develop/find helpful materials that promote IRs and open access - help w/how to 'sell' your IR to your institution/content contributors
- give repository managers/administrators a voice - find ways for them to engage
- helping with feature requests and to move the DSpace application forward
- >Ideas for Involvement in development
- reach out to RM or Ambassadors reach out to RM and discover interests
- help to interpret, clarify and describe user needs
- help cmtrs to ask questions / have discussions that RM can engage with: to encourage discussion, provide choices (not blank slate) for RMs to respond to
- have a DGOC liaison for each new feature
- target specific RMs for engagement

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4) 2010 Proposed Projects

- equip the Ambassadors to succeed (better FAQ/knowledgebase)
- Dynamic Database
- promote social network and encourage discussions
- help recruit a different kind of release mgr
- DSpace wiki clean up/re-org
- help cmtrs restructure JIRA to maximize repo mgrs engagement
- help to liase/represent community req'ts to committers (gather feedback, understand what they mean, get good info and distill it down (from community, Ambassadors, etc.) and perform informal/formal survey on release features

4) Dynamic Database

- Initial filters/values here: <http://groups.google.com/group/dspace-global-outreach-committee/web/dynamic-database---filters-and-values>
- Programming work starting, data clean up done by end of Dec
- Can we think of a different name for it?

Notes on ways DGOC can work with cmtrs/dev

- small steps - build on success
- take some responsibilities for proposal feature requirements - DGOC put strawman out to community for reaction
- dev are all volunteers -- so might not be timing
- find small things to improve -- that won't take so much time -- but big bang
- have regular chats for RMs on specific topics (like the ALA discussion) - dspace general or social network? moderator to push topic and create a summary, Ronee volunteered to start it

EVERYONE'S TO DOS:

- spend an hour testing DSpace 1.6 before the end of Dec 11: think of kicking the tires on the new features....
- need a volunteer to write a 'testimonial' email about their testathon experience: what you tested, how it went, if you found a bug, if you went onto the IRC to discuss a potential bug, if you went onto JIRA to log the bug
- brainstorm a list of topics for regular chats (to be held either on DSpace general mailing list or on Crowdvine)
- brainstorm on rename of the Dynamic Database: Instance Listing/Registry, Repository Database, etc?, Sites Powered by DSpace, DSpaces