1. Minutes from 1/23/07 meeting approved.

2. Library Employee Awards Pages
   http://libinfo.uark.edu/StaffWeb/awards/policies.asp
   Anne Marie and Arthur discussed this addition to the StaffWeb for the purposes of collecting nominations for various staff awards. Nominations are fed into a database for review by members of Awards Committee. Nominations are due March 15th.

3. Learning Collaborative
   Lora distributed a chart showing suggested metadata elements for each video created by the Collaborative. She also discussed their first video, on registering for ILL, which will be posted live as soon as it is approved by the library administration.

4. Spam, spam, spam, spam
   Beth announced that Arthur had spent much of last week revising the CGI scripts that run many of our mailforms on the site. This changeover has resulted in much reduced volume of spam sent via these forms.

5. Blogging Software
   Beth discussed the experiment with WordPress blogging software while Todd struck his head on the table repeatedly. WordPress is an open source product that uses mySQL as the database and PHP pages for html. Since the Web Services Department would like to migrate our pages to SQL / PHP this provided an excellent opportunity to learn this functionality.

   There is an informal group looking at blogging software for internal communication in the Libraries; the group is led by George Fowler and Elaine Dong with Todd, Molly, Anne Marie, Arthur, and Beth participating. The decision was to try out an internal library blog first and then to look at options for publicly accessible library blogs.

6. Podcasts
   Beth asked the group about interest in podcasting. There is considerable interest from the Learning Collaborative as well as Public Relations and Special Collections. Some ideas that group members had for podcasts were: tutorials and walking tours, previous lectures held in the Libraries, tours of library exhibits, Ethel Simpson's Ozark Folk Encyclopedia segments from KUAF, Tom Dillard's weekly newspaper columns. There was some discussion of the Pyror Center's needs in this area, as well as campus initiatives with Apple for podcast support for faculty.

   Molly agreed to work with Lora to learn about file conversion for podcasts. Beth will speak with Computing Services on any potential Apple deals and with KUAF on linking to the OFE segments. (Update – Ethel's segments are embedded in the larger Ozarks at large broadcasts so linking to them may not be ideal). Molly will develop a list of previous events that we have audio for. Lora will look for her list of training materials put up by other libraries about creating podcasts. Beth will forward to the group a list of library podcasts.

7. Other business
   The group also informally discussed the color calibration on the new projector in 472B; Special Collections web site needs, and the upcoming events in Special Collections.

Next meeting: Tuesday February 27th.
Respectfully submitted,
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