



NJVid Project Team Conference Call Minutes

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

- Commercial Video – Sandie asked what’s left to do now? Jane pointed out that PBS is now streamed through FMG so we’ll have access to PBS titles. Sandie requested a status tracker of commercial video coming in and where we are. Tom will put one together. Isaiah stated that BioMedia wants to user MPEG4 files. Streaming format caused them to change their structure. Gwen from BioMedia will provide a sample. FMG’s hard drive came in. There were 38 titles and the drive failed in the middle of the copy. Isaiah can have the rest of the titles up before the middle of February. Extrapolating the data will take 3 weeks to create the remaining 38 titles. Five of the 38 have been done. From a scheduling point of view, it will take longer to add metadata. Tom asked if he could set it up for himself as SCM to access all videos for viewing for QC purposes. Sujay said that he will set that up. These 38 titles weren’t chosen first by us, but by FMG. We’ll ask Wendy on Thursday why these first? Isaiah has BioMedia DVDs but they’re in a box in clear CD cases without information. Where’s the Table of Contents – did it come with one? They can play a TOC and there’s a catalog on the website. Jane suggested this or that Gwen could send the listing. Unfortunately, the spreadsheet that Gwen emailed Tom is correlated to the MPEG4 files – not the DVDs.
- Commons Update – We want to be able to provide ancillary materials –e.g. transcript with a file- For instance, the Hope video has one, but it’s not accessible yet. Resource has transcript available – Sujay just needs to link it from the site. Sujay says we need to work on a proper nomenclature for attaching pdfs. Can we add a proper label? What if it’s not a transcript? A transcript is an alternative data scheme. We want full text searching. Transcript currently ingested is a pdf – that’s an additional data stream. Grace thinks it would be good to get up some info on how long the transcript is. Sujay asked if an object can have two pdf data streams. Is it possible to have multiple data streams in the WMS? Ron answered yes. Grace stated that the files need to be labeled, and we need metadata to do that. Ron says they haven’t done a lot of testing on this. Does the structure map provide for this? The structure map applies to the whole object. That might be the way to go. Sujay should specify this for a future release. Ron indicated that we need to test for respective metadata streams – talk to Chad how this is presented. Ron says he’ll follow up on this.
NJVID currently has 48 titles for the Commons. TCNJ has 50 ¾” tapes and they do want to use NJVID. We’re waiting on signed deposit agreement. Is it ok for Cathy to get in touch with Isaiah to deliver tapes to Rutgers? Isaiah agreed to this. Ron Loneker’s titles are NJEDGE videos. They’ll be placed in an NJEDGE collection. Sujay needs to figure out NJEDGE’s architecture so this can be done. These are currently being FTP’d to Sujay and there are 23 separate videos. Sheri claims we have permissions for all those videos. Sheri will have to work on how to catalogue these with Tom. NJLA asked NJDH to set up WMS training. Can we piggyback on that? Ronda Marker and Linda Langscheid will be doing this. Could we make a training video of this? Tom will contact them directly. Montclair State’s 6 Carpe Diem videos will be catalogued by a Montclair State cataloguer. Once MSU’s collection

architecture is ratified, then MSU's cataloguer will be able to do it. Tom will help her refresh her knowledge of how to.

FDU videos – Mahesh wanted to batch upload metadata into WMS – Grace says this shouldn't be a problem as we use MODS. However, Mahesh is concerned about the pricing mechanism. We would probably charge for commercial and LOD. Anything contributed now, we wouldn't charge for. But he doesn't want to start participating only to have his boss say FDU can't afford the fee. We should just go forward as though this isn't a concern. He has other priorities right now. He wants to do the cataloguing. Bergen CC is another original contributor of ¾" tape. Isaiah is working on it and should have it by the end of this week. Isaiah asked if they have VHS content as well. He could do the VHS very quickly. If the tape deck doesn't work, we'll have to contact a vendor. Worst case, he'll use WPU's.

- Sandie state that we are not going for the grant. It was asked if it would require a grant to do federated searching? As far as captioning goes, we'll look at other open source alternatives that others have used. Grace found out that Magpi and a lot of the closed captioning tools have come a long way and we should look at them again. Again, this should be put into Rutgers's development schedule to be compliant with accessibility standards – now that there are international standards. Perhaps Rutgers will look at these next year. We'll need to think about what the next grant would do. Rutgers would want to write a grant to implement OLE. OLE has a repository component that could and should be integrated with NJVid and NJDH. How do we sustain the two together?
- Annotation Tool Update – Review of final specification is Thursday this week. Sujay will attend. Then, development will begin again. The next release is in the May timeframe. When using the Search – Safari on a Mac is an issue. Tom will continue to do website review. We'll be moving to RUCore 5.1 in the first week of February. We'll start on the test box first, then all transferred over by the end of February. It takes care of Unicode and format issues.
- Learning-on-Demand Preparation – Tom suggests Photoshopping screenshots as suggestions. This will come out of Tom's imagination. Chad said he thought that putting LOD through the Annotation Tool is doable. One of the issues is that a faculty member uses the workspace and saves via the Tool, but then who has access? Public domain means that an annotated object is in the repository, but if it's only for one person, it would only be in that person's workspace. It can be published later. Once published, it can't be removed without a request to the repository. Ron says we could block it with XACML. There might be another approach – e.g. disconnecting the object. Need to explore these further. Ron will talk about this Thursday morning and perhaps Marty the tech writer can attend and mock it up.
- Sustainability Update – there will be a conference call 1/22 at 10am. We will share Tom's spreadsheet with Ashish, get his feedback, then share with group before Friday call. We need to let our customers know there's going to be a fee – give them a heads up.
- Budget issues – Money that's left - Sheri will get me the next invoice and Grace knows now that she just has to change the dates.
- Any other presentations to date?
 - MARAC – Sandie, Isaiah, Mary Mallery

- George – 1st week in Dec. went to NCMC (North Carolina's NJTrust) and they have NCTrust. They're looking for an inter-federation for searching across repositories for the commons stuff. Loren Rothman (Internet2) could submit to Idea Awards for Internet2. Sheri will get the application for us to fill it out in January. Due early Feb.
- EDUCAUSE Mid-Atlantic Regional
- NERCOMP – March 8-10
- Call for proposals for Internet2 – Isaiah, Sujay, Ron could submit. I'll get back to Isaiah before 1/29 whether there's money in the grant to cover his costs.
- WEBWISE March 3-5
- NJLA-NEC - May – Sandie, Worcester, MA

Two last items to be worked on: A Cost Analysis study and user outcomes study with Judy needs to be done this year.