



NJVID Project Team Conference Call Minutes
Friday, October 9th, 2009 2:00 pm

In attendance:
Grace Agnew
Isaiah Beard
Sujay Daniel
Jane Hutchison
Sandie Miller
Chad Mills
Tom Nemeth
Sheri Prupis

- **Commercial Video Launch (FMG Evaluation)**

The XACML utility to ingest videos was given to Sujay. The Commons Videos are in and already ingested. FMG videos need to be sent over by Isaiah. Isaiah has re-coded these into higher bitrates. They will be packaged and uploaded over the weekend so they should be ready on Monday for cataloging and ingesting. Tom has already started the cataloging.

We don't have source metadata for FMG test titles. It varies from title to title according to Wendy Collins of FMG. Adding it in later can be done although we need to bring it back into the WMS to do that. The problem is that source and technical metadata varies by title or, sometimes, we just don't have the information. Source refers to original source. Some titles are born digital so the technical and source metadata would be similar, but the problem still remains with VHS titles, etc.

Tom has created 13 out of the 25 so far, but needs to go over some errors. He should be done by Wednesday. Chad reaffirmed that Wendy sent us the thumbnails. Tom can add thumbnails in WMS, and these could be grabbed from the server. Chad will send the thumbnails to Isaiah who will send them on to be put on the server. Chad will send the spreadsheet with the mapping on it to both Tom and Isaiah.

So, we're on time with having the 7 institutions (Passaic CCC dropped out) test for FMG by 10/19. Wendy asked if she could take a look at it after the 19th. CCM doesn't have Phase I Shibboleth completed. Sujay said CCM is actively pursuing Shibboleth instead of centralized LDAP, so we may only have 5. Middlesex CC is also not ready.

Development for the alpha partner portals is almost done (5.1). Sandie asked if we should use the older method for the testing institutions? Everyone felt that perhaps we could use one institution who's pretty good about working with the technology and use the old method with them. FDU has quite a few FMG titles.

(Tom noted that we still need to get the list of titles and licensees from the vendor.) We could contact the webmaster of FDU to see if they would be interested. Sandie will contact Cathy Kelley for the webmaster's contact information in order to get them on board. This can be done after October 20th. An Atlantic City Library, Egg Harbor Township, currently has a portal. Sujay suggests setting up a dummy portal on the NJEDge server. PCCC also wanted a portal - Chad put one up for them although he doesn't know if it went up on their end. Chad will send Sujay an email to begin working from there.

The responses from the VALE survey for other preferred Commercial Video vendors are in. 14 institutions have committed to purchasing a minimum of 20 titles. Wendy and Doug will provide a list of titles and expiration dates with those institutions. Once the list is reviewed by Tom and Jane, FMG will send the entire collection on a hard drive to Isaiah for transcoding. This should be routine for the coming year. When an institution places an order with FMG, then FMG will send that to Tom. Tom determines if we need the files, then, if so, we can get it ftp'd or via hard drive. If not needed, then Tom will turn on access for that institution.

Grace reminded Rutgers folks about writing the utility that needs to be written to fill in dates, etc. They are working on the front end utility enforcing embargoes based on date. This won't be ready for November. The question came up as to whether or not we could use our annotation tool on FMG? Their agreement says that we can, but do we do this in Flash or Streaming Quicktime? It's probably a non-issue as most of the vendors are ok with the annotation tool according to Jane after she spoke to them at National Media Market and explained how the Annotation Tool does not alter the original video. Isaiah reminded everyone that FMG will not permit progressive download Flash. As far as using each vendor's already created annotations, Grace noted that going to all the different annotation tools isn't scalable. If people want to use their annotations, they'll have to go to that vendor's space.

Jane remarked that PBS will give permanent digital licenses too. The Bio Media DVDs are a collection of segments - bunches of many objects. Isaiah had asked if Jane could check with Bio Media and she confirmed that this is how Bio Media wants it to be done for the collection. Keep the segments.

It was noted that Shibboleth requirements are low, but we still need to get the rest of these interested institutions up on Shibboleth authentication. We'll do another poster session at the upcoming NJEDge.Net conference on authentication for all interested institutions.

- **NJCore Update -**

Collection Architecture development - NJCore collection architecture was developed from the portal side of things e.g. public libraries would be limited to public libraries). A permanent collection implies ownership (rights and ownership). Dynamic collections are subject or topic based. An organization can associate collections with their portal. At the non-collection level, we need to associate a dynamic portal ID with individual resources - Rutgers is starting to work on this now, but it's not ready yet. Collection hierarchies need to be correct now. We need a robust way to develop collection identifiers. Audience will be included which will help institutions develop their portals. Sujay's suggested collection architecture that included separate portals for each type of organization (i.e. museum, public library, etc.) was looking at it from the advanced search feature (tree based). Collection level records shouldn't be looked at from this angle. After this consideration, Sujay

will not develop the higher level based on grouping rather than owned collection. PBS offers collections according to age level – this will be accommodated in the future with collection level metadata. However, these collections aren't real – they're slicing and dicing and this is more easily accommodated by metadata. Linda Langsheid is concerned about sharing videos across NJCore and NJDH – this will need to be discussed. How can we federate across two separate repositories? Chad will be looking at moving to solar enterprise level search (Sun product), possibly next year. But, for now, we will have to duplicate the videos in these two repositories.

- **WPUNJ's testing server** – FMG is streaming Flash – commercial– no open source. Would need Wowza. Isaiah will get developer's license. Use specs for Darwin server and get that. Wowza should be ordered, too. What will the interface be like with streaming? Home computer will make a difference – guessing where to stop. It will probably be jerky. Isaiah will send me Darwin server specs.
- **Annotation Tool Update** – development will start next week again – Chad
- **Shibboleth and NJTrust Update** – policies need to be discussed. The Authentication & Authorization workgroup can set that up. Camden CC and Berkeley are VALE committed so they may want to join NJTrust. Brookdale also a possibility.
- **Sustainability Update** – Sandie has reached out to Rajiv for a graduate student, but itemization needs to be done. Grace asked if it would be based on core levels of service (x number of videos) or buying the whole drink – what will they pay before they say I can do without that. We all felt that we need to do levels and Learning-on-Demand will make a difference. Grace also mentioned that we should probably go for a no-cost extension from IMLS so we can develop the third collection, partner portals, and a toolkit. The toolkit is something IMLS would want more than anything else. We need to deliver this.
- **Commons Update** – 32 more butterfly videos are still on hold – others on hold include a possible Historical Society one. There are 100 possible videos from Mahesh Nair at FDU. NJDH is more viral in its marketing now than before. NJVid will go viral also.
- **Learning-on-Demand** – will wait until after November for this.
- **Advisory Board** – What will be our discussions at the pre-conference session? We should engage them in the sustainability issue – what should this look like? We can ask that some of them join us on the Sustainability committee.
- **NJVid End-of-Year Report**– Grace said we should be sure to include the review from the Internet Scout report. Grace will send this to Sandie again. Sheri also has information for the end-of-year report.

- **New NJVid website** – The Web group should be notified to review the website when we make the new one our official NJVid website. Sujay will send an email to Robert when ready.
- **Any other presentations to date?**
 - EDUCAUSE Mid-Atlantic Regional in Baltimore – Sandie and Sheri
 - CCUMC – Jane Hutchison
 - National Media Market – Jane Hutchison
 - George presented at Internet2

The next meeting is Tuesday, November 10th at 2pm.

Other meetings are as follows:

Friday, 12/11/09 – 9:30am

Friday, 1/8/10 – 9:30am

Friday 2/12/10 – 9:30am

Friday 3/12/10 – 9:30am

Friday 4/9/10 – 9:30am

Friday 5/14/10 – 9:30am

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.