

Web3 Project Team

08/24/2006

Present: Miriam Barkley, Bo Bodenhamer, Scott Brewster Jaysen Buterin, Richard Cox, Paige Ellis, Jason Fleck, Andrew Marker, Kevin McClain, Rob Owens, Anita Warfford

Absent: None

Recorder: Sherri MacCheyne

New Member

Miriam Barkley introduced Paige Ellis, the new Web Manager in University Relations.

Web Server Update

Andrew Marker reported that over the next weekend the primary web sites will be migrated to a new server (charlotte1.uncg.edu) with updated hardware and software. PHP will be available within departmental, faculty.groups and staff.group directories. Anonymous FTP is no longer available.

Calendar

Miriam reported that Jason Fleck, Paige Ellis, and she met last week to give Paige background and current status of the online calendar initiative. More information will be available at the next meeting.

Web Accessibility Report

The first annual accessibility report was distributed to university administrators, the Web Oversight Committee, and the Web3 Project Team in mid-August. Kevin McClain, chair of the Web Accessibility Coordinators Group and principal author of the report, received kudos for his work. Richard Cox expressed some concerns about the accuracy of the division reports; he will request to the WOC co-chairs that Kevin be placed on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss these.

Handheld CSS

Richard is working on the CSS for handhelds and asked for input from other members. He is considering developing a version of the wrapper for handhelds.

Web3 Certification

Richard pointed out that not all Web3 Project Team members have taken the certification exam, although the group previously agreed everyone should as an endorsement for the program. Two members noted that they had not had the chance to attend all the classes, and this is why they haven't taken the test. Richard expressed his opinion that the instructors in the Web3 Certification program should have completed the certificate, as a matter of professional credibility.

Some discussion was made to the possibility of bringing laptops to the next Web3 meeting and taking the test then. This led to discussion regarding Element K and whether we should continue to use it for certification. Would it be better to offer an Element K lab where folks could get away from their offices to go through the course?

Level 2 certification will cover CSS, Photoshop and Smile. There was some discussion regarding picking a good CSS book to train around.

Jason Fleck will forward the data from the Level 1 certification surveys.

WOC News

The Web Oversight Committee met Wednesday, August 23, 2006. Regarding the Unit Web Site Requirements, three university units (Business Affairs, Theatre, and Human Environmental Sciences) asked for and were granted extensions; the Weatherspoon Museum was given a limited exemption. A section of the UWSR regarding compliance had been rewritten and was approved by the WOC. The WOC was pleased with the accessibility report.

The next meeting is Thursday, September 14, 2006.

(Location to be determined.)