Symposium MOM- Sept. 17, 2015

Present: Sally, Carol Ann, Paul, Alice, Ellen, Wumi, Mike, Ross

Absent: na

* Paul took minutes; Mike will do so next meeting
* **Website** was looked at and discussed
  + no changes made to website since last meeting
  + there has been some planning already in regards to planned content; to view the proposed/draft content see

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* + there will be a Twitter account created for the symposium
* In regards to **submitted presentations**, it was felt that they might not be necessary as there will likely be enough content for the conference anyway; this will be an ongoing consideration
* Towards settling on a **venue**, a representative from the venue subcommittee will be meeting with the Grand Heritage Hotel on Monday
* **Speaker** updates:
  + Regarding Yasser Al Hamidi from TAMU-Q :
    - he has agreed to do a preconference workshop in addition to his one hour presentation at the symposium
    - his symposium presentation is penciled in for Wednesday, April 13, from 2-3pm
    - Paul will ask him if he also willing to host a roundtable
    - he wanted to know a few things including the topic and amount of time we wanted the workshop to go for; Paul will work with him further to narrow this down; if need be committee members said they would be willing to meet with him to narrow things down
  + Sa’ad is talking with his brother, Robert Laws, about doing a workshop (maybe at Georgetown) regarding creating academic videos
  + Sally would like everyone to have in their speakers bio, pic, abstract, etc. by the symposium meeting on October 8.
  + Mike said the SciVal rep said he is meeting with his marketing division on October 1 and will let us know after that meeting if he can sponsor or present
  + Thompson Reuters sponsor discussions are ongoing
* Wumi will check on prices of clip-on badges
* Wumi said WCMC-Q branded lanyards would cost us around 3600 QR; the group felt this was a bit much
* It was brought up that we need to be sure that we have someone speaking to and addressing digitization
* Ellen suggested we have someone speak to educational applications and uses of technologies
* Linda knows some people in Abu Dhabi that might be able to come and provide some content/sessions for technicians
* The committee liked the idea of having a vendor lunch one day and a vendor coffee/break the next
* It was suggested that Wumi and Nicole Johnston could deliver a presentation on emerging technologies in library schools
* Ross said that Hanif said that he would prefer his presentation only go about ½ hour
* It was suggested that Sharon be invited to speak on something (maybe cloud computing?)