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DRAFT Agenda - Friday, May 29th from 3:00-5:00 EDT

Attending: Nicole Kaplan, Corinna Gries, John Campbell, Todd Ackerman, Hap Garritt, Suzanne Remillard, Margaret O'Brien

1 Reports 3:00 – 3:30
1.1 EB (5/12/09) and Sci Council (5/13-14/09) Meetings (Corinna)
The EB meeting was one day and focused on LNO and the survey. They reviewed the reports from the working groups and standing committees in addition to working groups that were funded by LNO. Up to 5 reports were submitted from the EcoTrends working groups, and all concluded that Ecotrends is great but it still can't do what they want it to do. This launched into a discussion of Ecotrends and related aspects. Working groups will be in the document archive, but for now everything regarding this meeting is on the LNO website and can be accessed.
http://lno.lternet.edu/node/145 [2] The EB also is planning their annual review of LNO. The report from the national advisory board also was discussed.

At the Science Council Meeting, Henry had no specific announcements regarding IM. In supplements, IT was supported, but data collection was not and NSF liked the manner in which the social science supplements were submitted as being very integrated. Stimulus money is being applied to those proposals that reviewed well, but did not get funded. Our IM proposal addressing how stimulus money could be applied to IM was not presented because of the unknowns around these funds. Corinna participated in the biodiversity working group. Scott Collins suggested a meta-population genetics analysis for all sites. Kristin Vanderbilt participated in the land use, land change group. Corinna reported that the scenario building was the most popular group. The charge for these groups was to come up with large proposals in these areas.

1.2 LNO Proposal and budget update (James)
1.2.1 LNO has received the second half of its budget from the AARA Funds (stimulus money). Good news. To be spent over 5 years. Start planning immediately, IMs should be thinking about handling working groups, and finishing up some projects. Corinna - keep it in the scope of the CI implementation plan. A larger plan is necessary to avoid ad hoc databases and projects. Increased training should be included. For reference, the CI planning WG notes are here:
http://intranet.lternet.edu/im/news/committees/working_groups/ci_plannin... [3]
Hap: how will new funds affect LNO personnel who had been moved off to other projects when funding was stagnant?
- Inigo - will remain funded mostly by NBII
- Duane - can be transitioned back to network databases
- New hire: IM for network databases

- James Williams: now secure
- New hire (to be shared) - junior web site manager for content, plus Marshall to return

1.2.2 Ecotrends: Phil has requested a vision statement from Deb, for EB to consider.

1.2.4 30-year review of LTER coming up. Per Corinna: it will be small, since the ISSE and planning work has contributed a lot. Focus will be on how to expand LTER.

2. Virtual Water Cooler Schedule (Remillard)
only one slot left (aug 17/18?) decision: Use it for CI planning, and then follow up at the annual meeting.

3. ASM Update and How to Submit IM Posters (Corinna)
POSTER DEADLINE: JULY 1
A few extra posters can be submitted outside of the site allotments, if they cannot fit within. We should have a poster for each IMC WG project: unit dictionary, controlled vocab, project-project, gis.

4. Report on ILTER IMs at ASM (Vanderbilt)
at least 5 international IMs coming, SE Asia, eastern Europe are new areas represented. Kristin would like to pair up each with a mentor, based on interest. Kristin to solicit.

2. Discussion Items 3:30-3:45
2.1 Planning IMC09 Activities and Agenda 3:45-5:00
Sat, 9/12 Mixer (Vanderbilt and Kaplan)
General feeling is that we should host some sort of mixer among cabins. open, informal, no presentations, no IM-specific activities. Other groups to contact: students, outreach/education, EB

2.3 Sun, 9/13 Agenda
2.3.2 Business Meeting
2.3.2.1 any necessary discussions of IMexec members and chair(s).
Potential nominees to Co-chair or chair IMC include: Margaret, Don, Emery
IMexec membership: Todd, John, plus we need a replacement for Barrie
NISAC members scheduled to rotate off: Wade Sheldon and Linda Powell
2.3.2.2 begin planning for future years:
2010 meeting: possible venues
2011 meeting: mission,

2.3.2.2. Four working groups in 2 sessions, product oriented, with follow up in the late afternoon
CI planning with ARRA funds
Controlled Vocabulary
Unit Dictionary
Governance – Revisiting the Vision Statement

2.3.2.3 One-hour demo session back at the cabin? NOTE TAKER GOT DISTRACTED, PLEASE FILL IN!

2.4 Other annual meeting events/issues
2.4.1 IMexec lunch for old-new members:
Monday, Sept 9/14

2.4.2 Site bytes – Rethinking submissions and updates (Kaplan)
possibly ask specific questions, geared toward the CI plan, so we have info to work with for the

ASM. Recalled developing a "site profile" to track development of infrastructure at sites. Look at questions on JVC's page. collate old info from CI surveys, try to develop some sort of profiling system. People who like site bytes and their free text: Karen, John Porter, Kristin.
Margaret (O'Brien) and James (Brunt) tasked with considering the 'profile' model and possible inplementations.

2.4.3. Logistics

Hap 'volunteered' (transitive verb!) to keep track of logistics. Nearly all the administrative logistics are covered by the ASM committee, so tasks are generally limited to keeping the website up to date and sending out announcements to the IMC. Hap has field work in late july-august, so he may need some backup during that time.

2.5 IM-related working groups for the general ASM -- DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS: JULY 1

1. Communicating your research visually to the wired world with GIS (Theresa Valentine) - already submitted
2. Automating data processing and analysis using MATLAB (Margaret O'Brien and Wade Sheldon)
3. Data ownership, authorship, access and provenance PLUS Finding and Using Data: Challenges and Opportunities (John Porter, Corinna Gries)
4. GDI (Kristin Vanderbilt and Nicole Kaplan)
5. QC and Sensor networks (Barbara Bond, Barbara Benson)
6. Dictionary process for keywords and units (Todd Ackerman, John Porter)
7. Other ideas included lessons learned from synthesis projects and developing IM education materials for the next generation of scientists. (Nicole, Ted Gragson)
8. 'the no dead ends LTER website' (San Gil and White) - already submitted
9. A workshop on the video as means to train (Vanderbilt and San Gil)
10. CUAHSI and ODM? (corinna)

Schedule Next Imexec VTC (Suzanne)
last week of July, 7/28 or 7/31

Meeting Notes [4]

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