Project Endings

Team meeting, January 27, 2017

11:00-noon

HCMC

Present: Stewart Arneil, Claire Carlin, Ewa Czaykowska-Higgins, Corey Davis (Skype), John Durno, Lisa Goddard, Elizabeth Grove-White, Martin Holmes, Janelle Jenstad, Tye Landels (Skype), Greg Newton, Joey Takeda

Absent: Sarah Kell

1. Communication/KM strategy

Our newest team member, R.A. for communication and knowledge mobilization Jen Polack, was introduced to the team. Elizabeth and Jen described progress and plans.

* Between now and mid-April, Jen will experiment with content for the WordPress site and blog she has already set up on UVic’s server, not yet visible to other than team members. Jen will notify us when she creates blog posts so that we can offer feedback. In late spring we expect the site to go public.
* Interviews with team members will be a key source for the blog posts. Podcasts are a possibility.
* Team member CVs, project CVs should appear on the site.
* The WordPress site should link to our Git site should as our main repository containing all the “digital objects” of Project Endings. (Associate Dean Margaret Cameron, a philosopher, is working on the notion of the digital object/its definition. At some point, she should be invited to one of our meetings and perhaps be interviewed for the site.)
* Our list of BEST PRACTICES should include object level and page level metadata for everything.
* Facebook and Twitter channels will eventually come on line, and perhaps Instagram as well, as we have more content to communicate to the outside world.
* Summer plans include the survey of DH projects discussed since the inception of Project Endings. Jen (et al.?) can use the work already done by Susan Schreibman’s team (Maynooth U).
* Jen and Elizabeth will also continue to be in touch with the Communication Officers in Research Services.

2. Reports from case studies

* **Graves**: up, working, tested. Elizabeth and Lisa discussed working with the Library (Heather) on an archival finding aid. Elizabeth asked for templates for a new home page. Inclusion of information on long-term preservation strategies should appear directly on the project site as well as on the Library site. Joey wondered about metadata standards for the TEI header (Dublin Core? SOLR?). *Colonial Dispatches* provides a good model. If our case studies should have an individual MARC record, then Library cataloguers can more easily include/display them.
* **Moses**: 83% of the editing is done, and it should be completed by the end of term. The most difficult work has been done. A print dictionary should probably appear before the online one is published, but any way forward must be preceded by consultation with the Colville tribes. Ewa plans a trip in July. Corey is interested in/has been exploring distributed ownership of cultural property, one of the central challenges of the Moses project. For example, best practice in digital preservation implies distributed access of material across libraries, with calls traditional notions of ownership into question. What are the jurisdictional barriers to digital preservation? Ewa spoke about negotiating question of intellectual property.
* **MoEML and ISE**: working with four converging streams of archival material from the ISE back 26 years brings to the fore many of the challenges of digital preservation. MoEML is making good progress thanks to the work of Martin, Joey, and three other RAs (Brandon, Katie and Tara**?**). Martin reported that the static site is working; eXist site search is almost functional. Martin is ready to go live. Joey mentioned that Stow is in peer review.

Joey continues to help with opportunities for all four case studies, and to keep an eye out for preservation opportunities such as linking MoEML to DEEP (the Database for Early English Playbooks).

* ***Mariage***: the static site is working well. A script for a new eXist ap for search is ready to roll out when needed.

3. Upcoming colloquia

Status: waiting for acceptances in all cases.

June 2017

SHARP, UVic (panel: Claire chairs, papers by Corey, Martin, Ewa and Sarah; notification expected in February)

DPASSH, U of Sussex

August 2017

DH in Montreal:

* Joey, Tye and Janelle:
* Joey and Martin:
* Janelle and Martin have proposed a lightening talk on teaching TEI (in the session on “Innovations in DH Pedagogy”).
* Lisa will give a paper indirectly linked to Project Endings, so it should be included on our site.

October 2017

Frankfurt Symposium (during the Book Fair): Claire and Lisa

November 2017

The 2017 TEI conference will take place in Victoria, November 11-18. Janelle and Martin have applied for a SSHRC Connections grant. The call for papers, panel, etc. will be issued in February, and team members are encouraged to submit proposals. Ewa will consider submitting a panel on the use of TEI in Linguistics.

4. Regular meetings

We agreed to meet monthly at brown-bag lunches around the HCMC table. The first one will take place on February 28 at noon.