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LACUNY Emerging Technologies Committee

January 29, 2014, 10:00am–11:00am

Meeting Minutes

Present:

Robin Davis (JJ)

Alevtina Verbovetskaya (OLS)

Stephen Zweibel (Hunter)

Derek Stadler (BMCC)

Julia Pollack (BCC)

Stephen Francoeur (Baruch)

Ann Matsuuchi (LaGuardia)

Alycia Sellie (GC)

Stephen Klein (GC)

Junior Tidal (City Tech)

I. Introduction: 10:09am

- a. Members introduced themselves and shared coffee and home-baked goods.

II. Old business

- a. The co-chairs (Allie Verbovetskaya, Stephen Zweibel, and Robin Davis) reviewed committee activities from fall 2013.
 - i. Python + MARC workshop: September 23, 2013
 1. Steve Z. went over basic Python methods and how to query MARC data. For many attendees, it was their first introduction to programming fundamentals.
 - ii. HTML + CSS workshop: Oct. 29, 2013
 1. Allie and Robin walked attendees through editing basic HTML and CSS. The group then edited a LibGuides theme.
 2. Presentation materials: <http://lacuny.site44.com/>
 - iii. Demo Day: Nov. 19, 2013
 1. Presenters demonstrated and explained projects they have been working on
 - a. Jean Amaral (QCC) — Guide on the Side
 - b. Amy Ballmer (GC) & Jennifer Poggiali (Lehman) — Avalanche Magazine Index
 - c. Steve Zweibel (Hunter) — RFID in library books
 - d. Yoko Inagi (CCNY) — Using macros in Aleph
 - e. Robin Davis (JJ) — CollectiveAccess and Gephi
 2. Some presentation materials:
<http://commons.gc.cuny.edu/groups/lacuny-emerging-technologies-committee/forum/topic/demo-day-with-the-lacuny-emerging-tech-committee/>
- b. Committee members shared how they and other workshop attendees used the skills gained at these events in their workplace

III. **New business**

- a. Members reviewed the list of topics of interest (<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/ccc?key=0ApsFYQ-PMABZdG9sQTRfRnk0ZldDb3lRbHFMdVQ3Z0E&usp=sharing>)
- b. At Steve Z.'s suggestion, the committee will plan one workshop and one "hackathon" (work day) each month.
- c. The group decided on this semester's schedule:
 - i. February
 1. February 10, Monday, 10am: Stephen F. will lead a usability workshop at Baruch
 2. February 28, Friday, 10am: Robin D. will lead a data visualization hackathon using tools including Gephi, R, D3, and Python
 - ii. March
 1. March 10, Monday, 10am: Stephen K. will lead a XAMPP workshop at the Graduate Center, covering MySQL database setup, using PHPmyadmin, and installing Omeka or WordPress
 2. March 28, Friday, time TBD: Steve Z. will lead a Python hackathon using regular expressions and CSV data
 - iii. April
 1. Early April, date TBD: Julia P. will lead a video tutorial creation and editing workshop
 2. Late April, date TBD: a makerspace tour, LACUNY Institute debriefing, and happy hour event. Alycia S. will contact NYC Resistor to see if the committee can use their space in Brooklyn.
 - iv. May
 1. Date TBD: Demo Day

IV. **Administration**

- a. The committee's next planning meeting will be in Fall 2014.
- b. The committee may plan meetings or workshops over the summer.
- c. Committee documents and announcements will be posted to the Commons site (<http://commons.gc.cuny.edu/groups/lacuny-emerging-technologies-committee/>).
- d. These minutes will be archived in CUNY's DSpace Repository (<https://dspace.cuny.edu/handle/11049/6439>).

V. **Closing: 10:50am**

- a. The chairs thanked members for attending and planned to send information to workshop leaders.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin Camille Davis (JJ)