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Committee Updates

Conference Proceedings Editors

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Activities Since Last Report

- We have collected twenty-nine of the thirty papers and copyright forms for the 2010 conference. We are using Google Docs again this year for editing the papers and will upload them into CATS, Taylor & Francis' online manuscript program, after our edits are complete.
- The final outstanding paper is for a strategy session. We have been in touch with the presenter several times and he has indicated that he intends to submit the paper.
- The anticipated publication date for the 2010 *Proceedings* is April 2011.
- This is the first year we have had non-original content presented at the conference. Two papers this year had non-original content; getting permission to use previously published figures and tables adds extra steps to our process.
- This year we purchased and used a digital recorder for recording the vision sessions. This was a great improvement over the previous tape recordings. Since the recording quality was much better, we were able to quickly and easily transfer the files to

the recorders, and we could consult the recordings ourselves (as needed) for editing.

Any Changes or Exceptions to Budget

We request that the board consider purchasing a second digital voice recorder to act as a backup for the one we now have, and to enable the recording of two simultaneous strategy and/or tactics sessions. Having a backup of this electronic device reduces the likelihood that a malfunction of whatever kind (being dropped, having dead batteries) would prevent our recording the vision sessions. Recording the strategy and tactics sessions when possible offers the recorders and editors a convenient way to verify what was actually said, and helps provide the context if any issue in the paper is confusing. The model we purchased and used last year is the Olympus WS-510M; it is easy to use and has 4GB of storage. Amazon lists it for sale for $89.99 (as of October 25); Newegg lists a 4GB alternate (the Olympus WS-700M) for $79.99. We could also consider a 2GB voice recorder and still record multiple sessions. Amazon lists a couple that are highly ranked and priced about $50. The budget request we submitted for next year includes a line item for this second digital voice recorder.

Statistical Information

N/A

Actions Required by Board

The editors need to know how many copies of the *Serials Librarian* NASIG will receive from Taylor & Francis, so we calculate how many complimentary copies will be distributed to conference contributors. This should be specified in the contract.

Questions for Board

Allowing non-original content to be presented at the conference and included in *Proceedings* has posed some challenges. If the material was published somewhere prior to the conference, we (and the recorder assigned to the session) can be aware of it from the start and plan our work accordingly. However when a speaker separately publishes an article about their session in the midst of *Proceedings* preparation, this can cause complications such as suddenly needing permission from another publisher to use figures or tables. We ask that the Board consider specifying that any speaker who has not submitted his or her research for publication prior to the conference hold any planned submissions until after the *Proceedings* have been published. Whether the session content is previously published, has been submitted for publication, or is planned to be submitted for publication in the future, it is imperative that the *Proceedings* editors be notified about this at the time the program is shared with us by the PPC.

Recommendations for Board

N/A

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