

## **Ad-hoc Web Page Redesign Committee**

At the November, 2002 Executive meeting, the Board agreed to establish an Ad-hoc Web Page Redesign Committee

Project leader	Marc Cockburn (since replaced by James Boxall)
Web master	Nan Fern
French Content	Pierre Roy
Board Rep	David Jones
BCC	Trudy Bodak
Publications	Betty Kidd

James Boxall and Marcel Fortin also offered technical assistance both directly and from their staff.

### **Hosting the Site.**

The current site is being hosted at UWO. James will arrange to have the site moved to Dalhousie where a higher level of institutional support and commitment will be provided.

### **Archiving the current Site.**

The current site will be archived by staff of the Library and Archives of Canada and held with the ACMLA archives. The Board agreed that archiving on annual basis would be appropriate - also archive existing site when new one launched. Previous conference sites could be deleted after archiving.

### **Objectives of the web site.**

The web site will be planned out and designed around the business priorities of the ACMLA. These will determine the level of investment (money and volunteer energy) required for the initial and later phases of developing the web site.

These objectives include:

- Basic Communications among our members.
- Assistance to the community (Map Librarian's Toolkit, Mentoring),
- Intensive marketing of publications,
- A hub for sharing/dissemination of geomatic data among members and users.
- Promote issues relating to cartographic and geomatic librarianship and archiving.
- Host a `members-only` intranet. (Replace CARTA)

Board agreed that the highest priorities are:

- Restructuring of the existing site
- Identification of volunteers to take on specific sections

The lowest priority at this time was seen to be the Intranet

### **Timetable.**

The re-vamp will be done in a phased approach. Generally:

- Establish working group.
- Determine priorities.
- Re-organize current info.
- Launch new site.
- Augmentation of site /feedback/ evaluation - ongoing.

### **Look and Feel.**

The board agreed with the concept of a standardized look and feel and will leave it to the Committee to work out the details.

### **Navigation.**

The Board agreed that the main issue is to deal with the navigation of the current web site. Currently, users have to scroll down four pages to see all the links on the web site. I think we need to have a home-page that has a navigation tool containing menu options on one screen. The same navigation tool should be visible through the web site.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marc Cockburn  
Chair,  
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