**Purposeful Gaming planning meeting 12/10/13**

Present: John Mignault, Joe DeVeer, William Ulate, Doug Holland, Mary Schlabach, Connie Rinaldo, Mary Ochs

Meeting minutes

Cornell press release for grant coming out soon. Marty will send us link.

Purposeful Gaming site on the BHL public wiki? [http://biodivlib.wikispaces.com/Purposeful+Gaming](http://biodivlib.wikispaces.com/Purposeful%2BGaming)

* Round robin

NYBG – fast tracking the hiring of Paul Silverman who has done imaging in past

Cornell – trying to determine selection, talking to users of collection to determine how they would prioritize (e.g. taxonomists, local nursery and seed company interests). Marty Had meeting with Bianca on setting up subcollection in BHL. Will coordinate with NYBG – who should they talk to at NYBG? probably John. Also hiring MLS intern who be working with them this spring.

Harvard – 30 volumes of field notebooks byWilliam Brewster in BHL which will be testbed, other volumes digitized but not yet in portal. The 30 volumes should be sufficient for the testbed. Looking into transcription tools – TPEN, SCRIPTO (but need collection in Drupal or Wordpress), Amazon Turk, advertising for an intern. \*Trish will send Daron’s feedback to Joe and Connie about TPEN. There is a Demo of transcription tool today at Harvard – not sure of name

MOBOT Library - seed lists catalogs have been pulled, copyright dates could be a problem (post 1923) will investigate them more closely. Mike Blomberg and OCR but haven’t done any work yet.

* Administrative stuff – Trish completed a service agreement with NYBG and in process of completing them for Cornell and Harvard. Anyone have service agreement forms you would like us to use or is it OK to use MOBOT’s? Cornell – gave contact info to business manager and will followup with her - Christina Rice. Harvard –\*Trish send copy of our form to Connie and she’ll check if its OK.

CBI team

Met with folks in Litzinger Road Ecology Center at MOBOT <http://www.litzsinger.org/>. They have gotten several NSF grants over the past 5 yrs in which they have worked with MIT to design education games for youth. They offered to let us run any of our game prototypes by their teen game players that they work with. They also offered to have us run our list of gaming companies by MIT person to see if he knows the companies.

Met with local game designer, Nathan Verrill, in St Louis who we’re planning on sending the RFP to. He recently started a new company <http://megatheriumlabs.com/> focused on the education sector and the natural world. Gave us some great ideas about considering a hackathon in place of a RFP where companies would be asked to put together a mockup in a day.

Cornell could put us in touch with Lab of Ornighthology at Cornell who have done work with crowdsourcing and citizen science (eBird). What about EOL education group? William talked with Cindy Parr and she recommended talking with Cindy Struder. Zooniverse folks. – have a hackathon for transcription next week in Florida (iDigBio and Notes for Nature). William will attend remotely. Trying to get their existing tools to work better for specimen labels. Could Joe register? Sure, William will look into. We should talk with Smithsonian and their transcription experience and how they motivate volunteers. Manager was at Internet Archive forum.

William and I have been playing and testing game to generate ideas for what features we think would work for our game. Everything from Candy Crush Saga to Type:Rider (app that teaches about the history of typography). Encourage everyone to do the same and share with the group when you find particular games with functionality you like.

Webwise Feb 10-12th (mon-wed) in Baltimore <http://imlswebwise.org/>

Who will come and for what days? Could we have a ½ day to full day project meeting?

John attended last year – “worst conference ever been to”. Other folks said Past meetings were better. Preconference was most useful. They are changing their format a lot and trying new things.

Attendees – Harvard – Joe but probably not Connie, NYBG - John not sure will talk with Susan, Cornell - Marty could go but not Mary, MOBOT – Trish, William, Doug may go if there’s money or Mike Blomberg. We’ll plan on having a meeting on Tuesday from 5-7pm followed by a dinner. Trish will Talk to conf organizers and ask for project meeting room.

Next meeting - Check in phone call in mid - January Trish send Doodle poll

Trish Set up page in Private wiki page on BHL wiki – where we share meeting minutes, project ideas,

Talk to Carolyn about setting it up

Email listserv - Marty will set up listserv with all project staff listed in proposal. Everyone send Marty their list of staff and their emails.