Meeting agenda 8/20/14

Present: Trish Rose-Sandler, Mike Lichtenberg, Joe DeVeer, Paul Silverman, Doug Holland, Mike Blomberg, Connie Rinaldo, William, Marty, Holly

Absent: Paul Silverman

Updates

*Cornell (Marty)*

Sending our first shipment of catalogs to scanning vendor 4900 pages. Met yesterday with subgroup (but NYBG wasn’t there) but NAL was there. They’ve scanned 9000 items from their collection and added to IA. Are they getting added to BHL see catalog collection? Yes Mike L is doing weekly manually. Challenge to compare metadata records across institutions. Firms are represented differently in each catalog. NYBG and Cornall are most similar in treating multiple items from same firm like a serial. NAL has individual records for every item they scan and no name authority. Looking for automated comparison tools. NAL is interested in OCR correction side of project and may followup with Trish or William.

Harvard (Joe)

Tracking transcription process. ALA portal 3 of 10 volumes complete. Still some to activate. 1283 pages transcribed.

FromThePage site – now that saving issues resolved how will he promote? 2 assistants working on now. Another round of outreach for both transcription tools is needed.

Joe is validating the transcriptions. Most volunteers are doing a good job.

MOBOT

Scanning (Doug and Mike B.) Working on scanning – about 60% done. 10k pages. Did OCR tests with Tesseract

Gaming (Trish)

Have had 3 meetings with Tiltfactor and work is getting quickly underway. First major decision to make is whether to have them create 2 games or 1 game and tool. Other decisions about mobile vs. desktop.

Notes from Nature has a tool for specimen ledgers column based information might work for seed and nursery catalogs. Rob Guralnick might be a contact. Joe and Mike L will followup and also on tranScriptorium