2008 Membership Meeting: An Update of NISO’s Work

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Where are we headed?

- Status of the Organization
- Financial update
- New standards development tools and redesigned NISO website
- Standards incubation
- Training and educational activities
- Information Standards Quarterly and Newsline redesign
- Increased international engagement
- Open discussion of future NISO activities

Challenging membership trends

Currently 72 voting members - 28 LSA members

2008 - Lost 9 members, owing to:
  - Continuing consolidation
  - Completion of certain industry-specific projects
  - Undertaking aggressive outreach plan to increase membership

Who participates in NISO?

- Broad representation

Financial Update
### 2008 - A year full of successes!

- Added 3 (+) new voting members
- Completed SERU, RFID, Journal Article Versions report, NCIP Revision (almost done) and Framework for Building Good Digital Collections (almost done)
- Launched four new initiatives so far this year
- Hosted 14 educational events - more than 800 people participating
- Created a new Member Services position
- Launched new website and development toolset
- Held four Thought Leader meetings
- Redesigned ISQ and Newsline

### Formalizing changes at NISO

- Based on strategic plans from 2005
- Technological tools installed
  - New website
  - Simplified management and oversight
  - Structured communication tools
  - Specialized standards development tools
  - Funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation
- More active international participation

### Formalizing changes at NISO

- Leadership committees
  - Providing key input, review and maintenance of WGs
  - Reviewing multiple new work proposals
- Implementing procedural changes
  - Gaining experience with voting pools
  - Working with new technological tools to monitor progress
- More rapid pace of development
  - Getting away from historical trend of multi-year development
  - Goal is to complete work in average of 30 months.
  - Not a fast track - the ONLY track
  - NCIP, SERU and Framework revision all recent examples

### New NISO website

- Launched March 30
- Provides back-end tools to facilitate the actions and work of the Working Groups
- Improves communication and document retention
- One central member database and contact management system
- Manages the voting process
- Improves adherence to procedures

### New Web Platform
The lifecycle of standards

NISO Thought Leader Meetings

- Launched in Winter 2008
- Supported, in part, by Mellon Foundation
- Bring together specialists and key leaders in specific subjects
- Brainstorm to determine most critical and realistic areas for new standards development
- Which ideas should we approach first?
- Goal of launching new working groups
- Plans to continue meetings in 2009

New Projects and Incubation

- Thought Leader Meetings held
  - Institutional Repositories - February
  - Digital Library Systems & Digital Collections - June
  - E-Learning systems and content incorporation - July
  - Research Data - October
- Reports being considered for further action

New Projects and Incubation

- Ongoing
  - Knowledge Base and Related Tools (KBART)
  - Institutional ID (ID)
  - Cost of Resource Exchange (CORE)
  - DAISY Talking Book revision
  - ONIX-PL WG
- International Work
  - ISCI – Collection Identification (TC 46 / SC 9)
  - ISNI – Name (Party) Identification (TC 46 / SC 9)
  - Bibliographic References ISO 690 (TC 46 / SC 9)
- Future/possible work items
  - EBN 3 - survey of vendors
  - 239.50 - Reaffirmation
  - Presentation of online journals (IFASA)
  - DUF - LS systems interoperability

Educating the Community

- Led by an Education Committee helping organize programs
- Eleven successful events, with more than 800 attendees (so far!)

- Preservation
- Discovery tools
- Multimedia content
- BookExpo program with BISG
- Metadata/NASIG
- ALACTS webinar on Standards
- NISO/BISG ALA Pre-meeting
- OpenURL webinar
- ONIX-PL webinar
- SUSHI webinar
- Resource Sharing
- Identifiers webinar
- Performance Measures webinar
- SOH/ONIXS webinar

Redesigning ISQ

- Launched in January with volume 20
- Increased content and expanding scope
- New style and look
- Regular features, columns and reports
- Formed an Editorial Board
- Unlimited copies to members
Future Changes at ISQ

- Continued expansion of content
- Move to a more fully-functional online hosting platform
- Potentially partnering with full-service publisher
- Portico preservation (signed in October)
- CrossRef deposit and DOI assignment
- Back-file digitization (Open Access)

Active Leadership in ISO

- NISO had been an active participant in ISO TC46 - Information & Documentation
- Appointed Secretariat for TC46/SC9 - Identification & Description in March 2008
  - Committee responsible for ISBN, ISSN, ISAN, ISTC
  - Developing DOI, ISNI, ISCI, bibliographic references and thesauri standards
- Partnership with Korean National Standards body, KATS
  - Chair: Prof. Sam Oh - Sung Kyun Kwan U.

Goals for 2009

- Expand NISO’s membership
- Continue systematic review of standards portfolio
- Build on ideas and launch new standards projects suggested by Thought Leader meetings
- Launch at least one new grant-funded initiative
- Continue educational program successes with focus on more web-based events
- Establish new publishing arrangement for ISQ
- Improve workflows of international standards projects in TC 46 / SC 9

Open Discussion

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Thank you!

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