CORAL Steering Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes
12/13/2016

Attending
Ben Heet (TRLN)
Jeff Mudge (Wheaton College (IL))
Steve Oberg (Wheaton College (IL))
Doug Hahn (Texas A&M)
Remington Steed (Calvin College)
Katherine Swart (Calvin College)
Mang Sun (Rice)
Tommy Keswick (Caltech)
Carla Clark (SirsiDynix)

Agenda
1. Current pull requests
2. Progress on CORAL 2.0
3. Cron emails coming to CORAL-Admin
4. Need volunteer to take minutes after December
5. Update from BibLibre on plans for listserv migration to mailman
6. Post 2.0 plans and Closed vs Open System
7. PHP versioning
8. Sirsi Dynix update

Note: Cal Tech has joined the Steering Committee (SC), and the meeting began with welcoming them.
1. Current pull requests
   a. The SC discussed NCSU’s pull request #131. Essentially, the code has to do with sending reminders to staff if a workflow step is left incomplete. There would also be a way to vary the frequency of periodic reminders at the individual workflow step level. Ben was concerned
with keeping things as simple as possible, and he favors a global reminder rather than a more complex reminder setup that is set at each workflow step. While agreeing that on the surface, NCSU's approach might seem more complex, others in the SC did not share the same level of concern and felt this granularity would benefit CORAL users. A decision was made to accept NCSU's pull request.

b. The discussion of pull request #131 informs the broader issue of how the SC handles pull requests. Steve believes our current approach is the correct one, but that we need to do a better job of documenting and explaining it. Carla suggested using JIRA in order to have a more broad discussion with the community about pull requests. Remington recommended that at least one other location would have to think a pull request is valuable before the code is merged. Ben commented on the need to see the code earlier on and not when the project is basically complete. It was agreed that a better workflow and set of expectations are needed.

**Action:** Carla will send out a Doodle poll so that SC members can learn how SirsiDynix handles code development workflows in JIRA.

**Action:** Ben, Doug, and one other SC member will come up with an improved way of communicating about open projects and reviewing those projects.

2. Progress on CORAL 2.0

a. The Web Committee is working on documentation for CORAL 2.0. Jeff said he is comfortable with doing a beta release and Tommy said that he was willing to look at the documentation. It was agreed that no other pull requests (other than #131 discussed above) are ones that can be resolved in time for 2.0.

**Action:** Jeff will follow up with Paul regarding pull request #22.

**Action:** Mang and Scott will draft instructions for how a site can upgrade to the latest version of CORAL 1.x before upgrading to 2.0.

3. Cron emails coming to CORAL-Admin

a. Daily cron emails have been coming to the CORAL-Admin list. The SC wonders if this is related to the listserv migration. The SC is waiting for BibLibre to address this error.

4. Need volunteer to take minutes after December
a. Katherine is finished with her term as minute taker. Ben volunteered to take over for the time being.

5. Update from BibLibre on plans for listserv migration to mailman
   a. This item was skipped since BibLibre was unable to attend the meeting.

6. Post 2.0 plans and Closed vs. Open System
   a. The SC discussed next steps for CORAL after 2.0. Should it be a closed or an open system? Tommy said that he was willing to use his experience with Drupal to help tighten the code. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea.

7. PHP versioning
   a. The SC affirmed that CORAL 2.0 will have a minimum-compatible PHP version of 5.5. Mang noted that the new testing framework requires PHP 5.6, but this is acceptable since it is for developer use only.

8. SirsiDynix update
   a. SirsiDynix is announcing their ERM today.

   **Action**: Carla will email Doug, Eric, and Jason about an issue they’re trying to pin down relating to alert emails not getting generated for the new issue reporting functionality in CORAL Resources.