

Portal Administrator Report
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Portal Applications and Support Sites

- Current MPLA 2.0 Applications
 - All applications are currently running and up to date on versions.
 - Maintaining back up schedule and storing backups on local storage.
 - Have taken security measures to prevent spam activity and accounts on all applications. (I hope we continue to be spam free, but I know future activity will require updates and additional measures)
 - Spam prevention measures have included:
 - CAPTCHA on forms
 - Installing plug ins for Wordpress, and ELGG.
 - Requiring registration keys on applications for new accounts. This prevents spam robots but not humans.
 - Quickly deleting Meet.MPLA.us spam accounts quickly after email notification.
 - New PunBB should be available soon to update talk.mpla.us- will install after release and testing.
 - Launched LimeSurvey with successful election of officers.
 - Applications include:
 - Wordpress
 - PunBB
 - ELGG
 - MiniShowcase
 - FormTools
 - LimeSurvey
 - OSCommerce

- Proposed Future Activity
 - I have installed and have running VTCalendar. I suggest we go live with the application to handle all events and calendar posting for MPLA and our state organizations.
 - Will install Feed2JS to process RSS feeds from the calendar to the MPLA site or any other site wanting to display our upcoming events.
 - This will eliminate the need for Dan to update the mpla site every time a new calendar event is added. The RSS feed will automatically appear on the MPLA website where ever we drop in the code.
 - VTCalendar provides syncing with Outlook, ICal and more. Members will be able to download events to their own calendar.
 - Please see: <http://calendar.mpla.us/>

- PHPList
 - I have installed but am not ready to go live yet with PHPList to process bulk emailings to MPLA members.
 - Still need more time with the application to understand full functionality.
 - I hope to have a target date of Sept. to turn it over to Judy for testing of bulk emails.
- OCS
 - I am exploring the use of Open Conference Systems for running future library organization conferences. (see <http://pkp.sfu.ca/?q=ocs>)
 - Information from their site:
Open Conference Systems (OCS) is a free Web publishing tool that will create a complete Web presence for your scholarly conference. OCS will allow you to:
 - create a conference Web site
 - compose and send a call for papers
 - electronically accept paper and abstract submissions
 - allow paper submitters to edit their work
 - post conference proceedings and papers in a searchable format
 - post, if you wish, the original data sets
 - register participants
 - integrate post-conference online discussions
 - This is produced by the same organization that produces the Open Journal System – used here at OSU and by many libraries and organizations.
 - Please recommend if you would like me to spend the time on this project.
- ChurchInfo (<http://www.churchdb.org/>)
 - Will some work this tool could be used to replace MemberClicks.
 - It is a free open source PHP application for running a church , membership, groups, events and more.
- WebHosting
 - Hostgator's servers have functioned well for MPLA with very limited downtime, helpful support, and all the required functionality.
 - Next billing of ~\$69.95 should be coming up in the next month.
 - I will send the receipt to Judy after payment is made.