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I've started posting all Jobline postings to PDF as of a few months ago. Up until that time, I was taking all the text of position listings and converting them to html for posting. Trying to save myself some time I decided to convert all postings to PDF and placing them online in that format. Not sure this is really saving me any appreciable time, however.

Further, effective with this board meeting, I am posting all board reports as PDF. My reason for posting board reports as PDF is to simplify the Board Report Archive. The Archive of board reports is the single largest chunk of the website in html, and making changes to style is proving extremely labor intensive. So, chalk it up to converting a system to what I should have created years ago. My intent is to convert all board reports from html to PDF, so that the archive should be little to no work to maintain in the future.

If you hadn't heard, I was on vacation (to Chicago) June 13-20. I returned and within three days I was diagnosed with pneumonia and Type A influenza, which I learned later was the H1N1 (aka "swine") flu. It was fun hallucinating through the night with a 102.5 degree fever. In hindsight, I was lucky they didn't immediately put me in the hospital. How did I contract this lovely illness? I blame flying through O'Hare. Three weeks later, I'm still coughing a bit, and I expect I will be for a while longer. Whatever doesn't kill me only makes me stronger.

As always, please let me know if there are issues on the website. My goal is to have a website which is useable and easy to find things. If you can't find something, let me know and I'll see if I can find a way to make it easier to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

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