



MAGIP Mentoring Subcommittee

Minutes from August 18, 2010 subcommittee meeting
DMPapineau August 19, 2010

Meeting attendance:

- Carrie Shockley
- Jason Danielson
- Wendy Thingelstad
- Diane Papineau

1. We discussed activating the mentoring subcommittee URL and porting our subcommittee content from the current mentoring URL. We decided that the task needs to be done at some point, but it can wait for now.
2. We deferred discussion on the "skills tab" checkboxes until Valentijn can join us.
3. Carrie and Melissa met and discussed the profile pages, but Carrie was unable to update the mockups of the profile pages just yet. We deferred discussion on the profile pages until next meeting.
4. We reviewed Bryant's draft introductory text for the mentoring page. We discussed what we thought are the goals for that introductory text:
 - a. To spark interest in the program.
 - b. To make folks feel comfortable about being part of the program.
 - c. To guide them about what to do next if they want to be a mentor or a mentee.

We thought perhaps it would be best if the text were shorter, say one paragraph. The page can have links to the member search page or to the login page if that satisfies goal "c" and frees up some text. Carrie thought the second paragraph had the kind of information that might meet these goals. Perhaps use the journalism approach where the first sentence provides the most important information just in case folks read no further than that first sentence?

5. We reviewed Diane's outline for the mentoring guide. No adjustments to the outline were suggested at this time. We talked about the guide's length. Diane guessed it would be 5 pages, preferable less—the briefer the better.
6. We discussed item 5 on the mentoring guide outline. This brought up the suggestion of requesting feedback from participants via a comment form. Determining the content of the comment form brought up the concern that if we solicit comments and some are negative about a particular mentor or mentee, what would MAGIP do with that information? Does having that information make MAGIP responsible in anyway, especially after soliciting the feedback? This discussion prompted Diane to seek guidance from MAGIP leadership regarding seeking a legal opinion on whether MAGIP is liable for the relationships formed through this program. This topic will be placed on the agenda for the next board meeting (August 26) or the board retreat in late September.
7. For the next meeting:
 - a. If you haven't reviewed the list of skills Valentijn provided and you would like to add ideas, please do so at your earliest convenience.
 - b. Valentijn beefs up the "Skills Tab" checkboxes proposal and sends to team at least a day before our next meeting.
 - c. Carrie makes further modifications to her profile page mock-ups based on our discussion and sends to the team by Friday, August 27 for our next meeting.
 - d. Jason looks into the use of tabs on the member profile pages (possible?), if a Mentor column can be added to the dynamic list of MAGIP members, and perhaps other web inquiries that arise while working with Carrie and Valentijn.
 - e. Jason may be able to put the products that Carrie and Valentijn create on the website for use in our next meeting if there's time.

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 1: 2pm – 3pm.