Sustainability Working Group Agenda
20 March 2014
Notes

Attendees: Hank Bart, David Bloom, Robert Gropp, Barbara Thiers
Larry Page (ExOfficio), Deanna Stouder (Coach, Facilitator)

Welcome –

Larry – Welcome to the Sustainability Working Group
   This gives you a presence on the iDigBio website
   Also offered funding to physically get together
   Sustainability can mean many different things and have different
   targets
   TCNs – bring in other institutions
   Funding
   Broad Issues – how to collaboratively work together
   Sustainability of museum collections

Goal – Present report/update at the next Summit (27-29 October
   2014)
   Think of the Big Picture of sustainability including multiple
   levels
   ADBC
   Digitization of collections not currently in the loop
   Better valued – collections themselves

Deanna – Great to be involved with this group. All are passionate and
   dedicated to this work.
   My role – keep agendas, take notes, assist the group with
   meetings scheduling, assist Chair and members with
   their work, draft & submit reports.

Group Chair – David Bloom was nominated, seconded, and
   accepted – Congratulations!
   Responsibilities of the chair – keep the group moving forward
   Responsibilities of group members – dedicated to the work of the group
   and will assume tasks when identified.
   Note – Kevin Love also in the group; Shari Ellis available for surveys
   Other members? – will think about and consider when together
   Possibility of a Sustainability Advisory Committee – people out in
   the community; multiple levels of engagement
Updates

**RCN proposal** – time frame?
Will be reviewed in the new week; start later – next year
Will include a working group this year
Broad engagement

**NIBA** – ideas in advance of October would be good

**Michael Denslow** – Deanna has been in communication with him

**Sustainability Training** – David
Compiling information from the Ithaca S&R training as well as others
Will provide information to the group
Great examples – workflows and processes
Have us thinking about what to sustain and what to let go of

**Templates** to assist collections managers

**Goals/Work for the Group** – will work on when we get together
(Tasks? Who? By When?)

**Clarity** – from Dave
We don’t need to have all of the answers & solutions by October
A lot of flexibility to work with community and TCNs
We will frame the “big ideas,” narrow what we can do
We have the “comfort of time” and it is worth taking the time

**Getting Group Together**
Rob offers space in DC
Time frame?
How about linking with Symposium on Collections for the 21st Century? May 5-6; meeting before on the 4th
Dave and Deanna will need to register

**Close Out**

**Next steps:**
Meet in May; check our calendars
Things to read – Dave will put up Key Things to Read on the Website
Dave will work with Kevin to put on the Web; Deanna will need a login.

**Larry** – This is very important! Thanks to All!