Web@Illinois

Part of IT@Illinois and Stewarding Excellence at Illinois
Purpose of Web@Illinois

• “to rationalize the campus web environment, which translates to streamlining the underlying infrastructure and tools while still enabling units, research groups, and others needing websites to maintain design and functionality suited to their goals”
• Expand the efficiency and effectiveness of web site creation and management
• If successful, will result in saving money - but savings are not the top priority
Immediate Needs

• Streamline rapid publishing for faculty and students
• Site content like research teams, student organizations, faculty pages
• Identify and implement (if implementation needed) at least one solution by January 2011
Working Groups

- Break down web sites into components
- Identify areas of investigation by December 2010
- Identify (but not necessarily implement) solutions by June 2011
Site Building

- Relates to what sits above the web server software on the stack
- Includes how a site is constructed – graphic design, content management systems, etc.
- Connected to longer term view of the Immediate Needs effort
Multimedia & Specialized Content

- Center for Multimedia Excellence
- Will cover a bulk of this area, but there may be aspects that are outside the scope of CME and get additional attention
Campus Community Resources

- Training
- Peer communities
- Organization of information about available resources, best practices, standards, etc.
Standards & Best Practices

- Identity and branding standards
- Accessibility law
- Usability guidelines
- Governance models for University shared services
Hosting & Archiving

- Includes the stack up to the web server software layer
- Address not just actively maintained site hosting but also archiving
Scripting

- Code reuse
- For programmers but also potentially for site builders
Guiding Principles

• Guided our effort in writing the charter but also valuable for the working groups
• Emphasizes unique needs vs. common needs that can be scaled
• Look for local solutions that can potentially be scaled
Guiding Principles

• Make it less confusing to identify services and resources available
• Make a preferred choice the obvious choice financially and non-financially
Governance

- Steering committee of campus CIOs or their delegates
- Prioritize and oversee working group areas of investigation, final recommendations
- Check to be sure that appropriate stakeholders have been involved and consulted
Web@Illinois Working Day

Illini Union
December 7, 2010
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