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Projects from the last three months

The past three months have been a phase of induction and planning, involved several meetings, which I've listed here: http://uk.wikimedia.org/wiki/User:Toni_Sant_ %28WMUK%29/Education_events#Meetings

The most signifiant meetings where the following:

- Two meetings with Dr Humphrey Southall (University of Portsmouth) to determine WMUK's potential involvement in an AHRC Connected Communities on a historical maps project called PastPlace, input from the national libraries. An application for funding has been submitted to the AHRC, along with a letter of support for this project from WMUK, which I signed.
- A meeting with Simon Knight (Open University) to discuss a panel about Mediawiki for OER and Analytics at the upcoming EduWiki Conference. Simon gave a presentation about this at the WikiConference in Lincoln on 8 June 2013.

I gave a presentation about Education-related activities at the AGM in Lincoln on 8 June 2013.

In terms of events, I co-organised the <u>Academic Dress editathon</u> in London on 25 May 2013, involving a number of volunteers.

Also, on 26 April 2013 I attended a Wikidata Workshop at the British Library.

And on 18 April 2013 I attended <u>Education Program Leaders Workshop 2013</u> at <u>Wikimedia Conference 2013</u> in Milan, via teleconference.

Projects in the next three months

- 1. Planning for <u>EduWiki Conference 2013</u> will take centre stage during the next three months. We have now secured a venue (Future Inn, Cardiff) and set the dates for 1-2 November 2013. Calls for participation will be circulated widely over the next three months, along with pro-active engagement with volunteers, including through the Conference Committee and the Education Committee. A draft schedule will be made available on the wiki page before the end of September.
- 2. On 10 July 2013 I am co-organising the <u>European young researchers network</u> <u>Wikipedia workshop</u> in Oxford. Volunteer trainers will be invited to participate in this event.
- 3. Although summer is a hard time to engage people in the education sector as this is holiday season, outreach efforts continue. Over the summer months, I'll be taking action on initial plans for two outreach events with the Theatre &

Performance Research Association and the Digital Preservation Coalition (DPC). The first will involve training for new editors and a possible short residency programme with the association related to depositing a number of key documents from the institutional archive to WikiSource. The other is most likely going to be an editathon (and possibly a hackathon) associated with Digital Curation. The plan is to hold this in two venues at the same time (possibly the British Library and a university in Yorkshire: Leeds or York) to involve as many members of the DPC as possible. Volunteer trainers will be invited to contribute in all cases.

4. I will also be working closely with Dr Martin Poulter, who is now the Jisc Wikimedia Ambassador, until the first part of 2014.