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Dave Compton, Reuters Limited

Jay Cousins, RivCom

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Arnaud Descamps, Relaxnews

Takahiro Fujiwara, EAST Co. Ltd

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Charles Tichenor, The Associated Press

Misha Wolf, Reuters Limited

Michael Steidl, IPTC Managing Director as Secretary

1 Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th October 2004 (NM0405)

It was proposed by Walter Baranger and seconded by Henrik Stadler that the minutes be accepted as circulated. This was agreed unanimously.

2 Matters Arising

No matters were arising from the minutes not covered by this agenda.

3 Chairman's report

No special report was given.



4 NITF 3.3: Update requests

The Chairman said a few minor requests are to be considered for the next version of NITF – all fully backwards compatible:

* AFP: More “modern” content model for <dd>

Now:

```
<dl>
  <dt>Name</dt>
  <dd><p>Brian Laudrup</p></dd>
</dl>
```

Better:

```
<dl>
  <dt>Name</dt>
  <dd>Brian Laudrup</dd>
</dl>
```

In the DTD:

Now:<!ELEMENT dd (block | %block.content;)*>

Better: <!ELEMENT dd (block | %block.content; | %enriched-text;)*>

* AP: Return the deprecated data-location property to <media-reference>:

- NITF 2.5 had two attributes of <media-reference> to stand for the address/ID/URL of an externally-stored media object (a photo or video clip, for example):

- source
- data-location

NITF 3.0 took data-location out (October, 2001)

AP wants us to put data-location back in

Action ● The Chairman said he will post these requested changes to the nitf.org website and ask for comments.

Version 3.3 should be voted on at the AGM in June.

5 NITF 3.3: XML Schema

The Chairman said he is currently working on a draft XML Schema for NITF:

* Draft 0.1 posted at <http://www.nitf.org/dev>

* Still need to validate/tweak before posting to NITF Yahoo!Group

* Left to do:

- Transfer documentation over
- Migrate hard-wired controlled vocabularies out of Core XSD and into Schema Resource Files
- Integrate RUBY schema
- Proofread and Test

Goal: Finish above work this month

XML Schema snippet

```
<element name='ol'>
  <annotation>
    <documentation>An ordered list. Holds list items.</documentation>
  </annotation>
  <complexType>
```



```
<sequence maxOccurs='unbounded'>
  <element ref='nitf:li' />
</sequence>
<attributeGroup ref="nitf:commonAttributes"/>
<attribute name='seqnum' type='NMTOKEN' use='optional'>
<annotation>
  <documentation>Sequence number within
    an ordered list.</documentation>
</annotation>
</attribute>
</complexType>
</element>
```

The Chairman added:

- the XML Schema documentation should be auto-created, primarily to provide an online-documentation
- thought on the evolution of the XML Schemas:
 - 3.3: a first approach
 - 3.4: could align better with the IPTC styles.
- the documentation style will be unified by the XML Schema implicit “annotation” elements.

DISCUSSION:

Stéphane Guérillot said the XML Schema for NITF has to be considered as “experimental” as it is the case with the XML Schema for NewsML 1.x

The Chairman agreed and added he wants the XML Schema to be voted on before it is released to the public.

Misha Wolf said he assumes there might be different notions about what exactly “experimental” is and he proposed to clarify this.

The Chairman pointed at the expressed request of customers to have an XML Schema for validation purposes.

The Managing Director asked whether there will be functional restrictions by applying the XML Schema instead of the DTD.

The Chairman said no functional changes have to be expected from XML Schemas.

6 Any Other Business

There was no other business.

7 Date and Place of Next Meeting

6 – 9 June 2005, London, Bonnington Hotel in Bloomsbury

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