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Drupal CMS Training Notes

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Drupal CMS Training Meeting

Friday, January 8th, 1-3 pm EST

Note: Meeting cannot be recorded per WSSC's request.

Meeting Participants:

Taoti Team: Beth (Project Manager), Evan (QA & Training Support), Rolando (Technical Lead)

WSSC Team: Scott, Leslie, David, Ravishankar, John. Satish (tentative)

Meeting Purpose:

- Provide access to the backend of the new Drupal 8 website
- Train users on how to navigate through the backend of the Drupal website -- including adding/editing content through Drupal content types, adding/editing files and media, creating new paragraph types on pages, editing the menus, editing taxonomy terms, etc.
- Train users on more custom website functionality such as: Editing customer service sidebar widget, editing the alert banner, setting up redirects, checking 404 pages

High Level Meeting Agenda:

- Welcome & Intros (Beth)
- Website Redesign Project Status Update (Beth)
- Logging in to the Drupal Test Environment (Evan)
- Walk through Backend Features (Evan)
- Adding & Editing Content (Evan)
- Adding & Editing Taxonomy Terms (Evan)
- Editing Website Menus (Evan)
- Review Additional Website Functionality (Evan)
- Q&A Wrap Up (All)

Logging in to the Test environment:

- Link to Test site: <http://test-wssc-d8.pantheonsite.io/user>
- Drupal Login:
 - user: [your email address]
 - pw: [temp pw]
- Note: Please update your password on the 'Edit Profile' link to a strong password once logged in!
- During the period before launch, please use Taoti's Test environment for all content entry and testing.

CMS Training Links:

- Drupal CMS Training Guide: *[Link to come]*
- 'Kitchen Sink' test page: <http://test-wssc-d8.pantheonsite.io/sample-basic-page>
- Drupal Lingo: <https://www.taoti.com/blog/tech/a-drupal-glossary-to-get-you-up-to-speed/>

Common Drupal Terms:

- **Content Type** - Pre-defined templates for different types of content that make up the content structure

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- **Paragraph Type** - Individual building blocks for a piece of content
- **Node** - A singular page or entity on the Drupal website
- **Taxonomy** - A category of information, for example: Event Type

Meeting Topics to Review:

- **High Level Project Status Update**
- **Logging into the Test Site**
 - 'Edit Profile' - Changing your password
 - Review options on the top Drupal admin bar
 - Content - Listing of all content, access to add & edit content
 - Structure - Access to edit Menus & Taxonomy terms
 - Additional Options (Appearance, Extend, Configuration) - Primarily used by website Administrators or Development team
 - People - List of all users with access to the backend of the Drupal website
 - Reports - Access to top website reports, including 'Top page not found errors'
- **Adding / Editing Content using Content Types**
 - (Start) Commission Public Meeting Agenda
 - Event
 - Basic Page
 - Article
 - Person
 - Homepage
 - Landing Page (Level 1 and Level 2)
 - Projects
- **Using the Paragraphs Module**
 - Paragraph options can be found in the dropdown of the 'Content' section of each content type form
 - Paragraphs are optional building blocks to create a page
 - You can drag and drop these to re-order content as needed
- **Using the Media Module**
 - Managing images and files
 - Optimal image sizes
- **Editing the Menus**
 - Structure > Menus
 - Review Main Navigation Menu, Utility Menu, Footer Menu
- **Editing Taxonomy Terms**
 - Structure > Taxonomy
- **Additional Drupal configuration options**
 - Publishing Workflow
 - Breadcrumbs
 - Editing the Alert Block
 - Editing Customer Service Sidebar Widget
 - <http://test-wssc-d8.pantheonsite.io/block/4?destination=/admin/structure/block/block-content>
 - Viewing a 404 Report
 - <http://test-wssc-d8.pantheonsite.io/admin/reports/page-not-found>
 - Setting up Redirects
 - <http://test-wssc-d8.pantheonsite.io/admin/config/search/redirect>
- **Important Tips & Tricks**
 - Always set internal links using the relative URL, not the absolute URL
 - Remember to link pages to their parent in the main menu structure so breadcrumbs are set properly
 - Set ALT text for all images uploaded
- **Q&A**

- Beth to add notes during meeting

Technical Training Session

(To be scheduled in mid/late January 2021)

- The Pantheon Dashboard
 - Requesting a manual backup
 - Clearing caches
- Drupal 8 to 9 Updates
- Launch Planning
 - Switching DNS Records

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