Pacific Neighborhood Consortium Renaissance Meeting

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PNC Themes
- Cross-cultural research/scholarly enterprises
- Intra-cultural issues
- Trans-Pacific academic information resources
- Mu Iti-di sc iplinary program support
- Institutional & personal communications
- International information standards & common practices

Intra-Cultural Issues
- Information technology practice & implications
- Social issues as a result of Internet & I.T.
  - equitable access
  - isolation of individuals
  - integration w/teaching, learning" & research
- For attention of decision-makers
  - quality of life issues

PNC Facets
- Membership
- Programs
- Governance
- Finance
- Benefits

PNC Membership
- Institutional members (now)
- Scholarly Associations (future?)
- Corporate sponsors (future?)
  - I.T. industries
  - Publishers
- Government agencies (future?)

PNC Programs
- Library program -- in-person access protocols
- Digital library program (future?) -- focus on East Asia and multi-lingual content
- Communications (future?)
- Link similar research programs across national and linguistic boundaries
- Information exchange (databases, etc.)

For Researchers
- Most powerful relationships are with colleagues in the disciplines, so...
Create contacts with counterparts across boundaries and oceans important
Avoid redundancy of effort & achieve synergies
Bring groups with common interests together regardless of distances
Do so through disciplinary associations

CJK Document Processing Meeting
Ad hoc meeting (ISO/JTTI SC18/ WG8) following PNC
Standards for text encoding, document representation, SGML (& related), fonts & HyTime
Serialization & protocols for transmission
TEI extensions

PNC Governance
- Now -- Berkeley-based w/ Advisory Board
- Future (?) -
  -Membership Council for institutional reps
  -Multiple Co-chairs (start with 2 - Asian & American ?)
  -Executive Director & Secretariat
  -PNC home in Asia
  -Committee structure (programs, affinity groups, functional groups)

PNC Finance
- Institutional membership fee
- Foundation support
- Association membership (future?)
- Corporate support (future?)
- Governmental support (future?)

PNC Communications
- Web-based for membership & public
- Campus PNC committees
- Specialized communications for institutional officers
- Communicator among disciplinary associations to help scholars learn of similar and/or related projects around the Rim

PNC Benefits
- Annual meeting of information professionals & scholars
  - to share reports of progress
  - to identify common & best practices
- Cross-cultural, trans-Pacific meeting place
- Exchange ideas for mutual improvement of institutional programs