Old Business:

Sticky Login

Motion Whereas -it is annoying to have to traverse from the home page back to where i was when i decided to login, we should change the site config and layout such that:

a) login box is in the top bar (like two)

b) logging in does not return the editor to the homepage.

DT: I see as low priority, but if you can get someone to do the work.....

MLP: I will do it or have it done if it is approved.

DT: In favor, but see change proposal below

(avi: In favor. It's working right now on 1.9.x, isn't it? (it's working for me on other sites, at least). On 1.10 there is bug somewhere (see bug report)

In Favor: dthacker, xavi, chibaguy, marclaporte

Renovate home page

DT: Home page was just cleaned up by ricks99. Please post a specific proposal to the dev list. MLP: Decisions by email? (shudder). Wiki developers, eat thine own dogfood?

MLP: next home page - the prototype.

DT: xavi helped get items postitioned on the page, let's make sure all links work and install it Xavi: and update css according to footnotes on next home page

MLP: nice work!
ML: nice work!

In Favor: dthacker, xavi, chibaguy, marclaporte

Upgrade to tikiwiki 1.10?

Whereas: 1.10 allows - edit by section, redirect, advances in admin and groups, freetagging, etc. **Motion:** The EB recommends moving on to 1.10

DT: Marc hosts the site, IMO, it's up to him when the upgrade gets done.

MLP: Ok I will ask marc.

DT: Marc has moved us to 1.9.7. not sure when 1.10 will release. I would like to move to 1.10 if possible

(avi: redirect is available in 1.9.x as plugin. "edit by section" available in current 1.10? (I couldn't find it days ago []). on't mind moving, if some people can take care of bug reporting and fixing (not my case in the following three weeks at least - until the beginning of may)

chibaguy: If 1.10 is ready for a production site, the new features would be good, but the top priority should be dependability.

ML: I can take care of upgrades in 1.9.x but not in 1.10.x If someone is willing to update, that's fine. It seems to me that the feature-set of BRANCH-1-9 should be sufficient to make excellent documentation.

In Favor: DT, MLP

Theme project.

Motion: Mike will be tasked to work with Marc and (Gary?) to work on a new theme for doct.two - on a test site first.

DT: There are several themes available on themes.tw.o? Can't we just make them selectable?

MLP: Selectable is ok. Maybe just a change to top_bar (see above). Perhaps having a demo on a test site would be a good thing to do before putting the total motion

Xavi: Chose a more colourful theme! And add unedrlines to header2, 3, and 4, at least (either dotted or dashed). For instance:

+ border-bottom: 1px dashed grey;

Tabled: So as to put the theme before the motion.

DT: See additional proposal in New Business

chibaguy: I'd be happy to help on a specific theme or adaptation for the site. If people have ideas or models to emulate, it could be worked out.

Redo modules and menus.

DT: Modules and menus were just re-organized by ricks99. Please post a specific proposal to the dev list. MLP: see above. \square

DT: I think this is better stated in the motions in new business. See my comments there.

Xavi: Opps, I made a change directly on the menu (assumed working the wiki way to fix what I thought it was a mistake). See Author coffeshop post about it.

Opposed: dthacker MLP: Withdrawn

Articles expire

Motion: Set all articles to expire after 30 days.

no more than the last three on the main page.

DT: Or expire after 30 days?

MLP: So amended.

Xavi: expiring is ok for me. In Favor: dthacker,xavi, MLP

Simple Rules for the Editorial Board

Moved that the following heading be sufficient rules for an EB meeting.

This is a meeting of the Editorial Board - it runs online from March 1 to March 31st. Undecided motions are carried over to the next month. Passing a motion requires 50% plus one of the current members. Members who miss two consecutive meetings are no longer considered current.

in favor: mlpvolt, dthacker, xavi

ILP: this should be amended so that it is generic, anyway the idea is that the agenda is rolling and the page refreshed once a month: creating the next month;s agenda is just copying last months and dropping the items that have been decided or withdrawn.

note: an editorial board content template exists.

New Business

Discontinue Right Column

Motion: Discontinue the right column. Keep the Left column. Use phplayers menu for top bar login

DT: This was proposed by franck in IRC. I like the idea of having more screen real estate. Please review the next motion as well.

chibaguy: I agree that 3 columns make the pages too cluttered. I'd like to see a slightly larger type size and more white space.

in favor: xavi, MLP, sylvieg, chibaguy, ricks99

Discontinue Both Columns

Motion: Discontinue both left and right columns. Use phplayers across the top. Move modules currently displayed on left column to a dynamic wiki page.

- DT: Again, a proposal from franck. This is a more radical approach. As an author I appreciate seeing last changes, etc but do our docs consumers care? Perhaps not.
 - Xavi: not needed for me. 1 column is ok. And maybe, enable the show/hide column for users? (on the right only column, to avoid issues with IExplorer browsers...
- hibaguy: I think having 1 side column is a good thing. But it might be good to experiment with having no side column on actual doc pages (identical but no-side-columns theme would be used for these pages, assigned via category). ricks99: non-contributors don't care about every little change, the forum, etc. But they do expect navigational aids. Opposed: Xavi, MLP, sylvieg, chibaguy, ricks99

Create test doc site

Motion: Set up a test doc site, to experiment with radical simplicity in tagging vs. categories, search engine performance, alternative structures

DT: Sandboxes are good. That said, the EB needs to keep an 80/20 rule in place so work is still done on current site. I can host this site

MLP: i think the value of such a site is for customization / themes and templates work, and for "radical" experiments with the content configuration. so ok with me - but it is not a place for "draft" content. We can do that here.

DT: Agreed, this is not for draft content. It's a doc mad scientist lab.

Xavi: not needed, I think.

chibaguy: I don't think it's necessary to have a dedicated site for this, which would add to admin overhead and so on.
Issume everyone involved has web space somewhere for experimenting. People can post links or screenshots to show
ideas.

ricks99: not needed. if something is not ready for prime-time, just change the category/tag/permission to hide it from casual visitors

Opposed: xavi, sylvieg, chibaguy, ricks99

In favor: MLP

Replace Tiki Search with Google cse

Suggested by ricks99. Replace the current tiki search with a google search

- T: Pros. ricks99 says his users love it. We always want to improve our product. Cons: We're no longer "eating our ow dogfood". We'll have little incentive to help improve Tiki search. I'm undecided. Waiting for other's input.
- Xavi: until there is not "out-of-the-box" boolean search on tiki, I would suggest enabling google search (or whatever else). Tiki's search engine is frustrating, unluckily... Update: Ok, Ok, "eat-our-own-dogfood"... (and vote for a search feature that uses tiki's permission system)
- MLP: Question how often is google going to crawl the site its not good unless it is very frequent though i have neard of the local search being out of data as well. We should figure from the dev community what the best practice i and use it.
- ricks99: Here is an even better example of an improved Tiki search. If someone adds the JS plugin here, we could embed this directly into a wiki page.
- hibaguy: I agree it's appealing to have a more effective search, but in the end I have to go along with sylvieg. It send a really bad message if the official Tiki support site is using outside tools in place of its own.
- Opposed: sylvieg (eat our own dog food until we are sick and decide to do something else lucene is a good lternative too google is not open source the toc should be enough in a doc), chibaguy, xavi, marclaporte (I use a logof Tiki's in an Intranet setting, so I'd rather we have something which we can reproduce)
- In favor: ricks99 (while i agree with the "eat your own dogfood" mentality, let's not reinvent the wheel. if there's a better solution, why not use it? let's not forget the #1 mission of docs.tw.o to help users find answers to their questions. anything that furthers that mission is, imho, a good thing).
- ntroducing another search will not follow the perms so it is very dangerous to show a better solution- What about to use the google module on the site?

Next meeting: May 2007