

Website Administrator's Report for the Spring 2016 Committee Meeting

First let me remind everyone that reports by the committee chairs and officers are published on the website if I receive them. They will be online by the day of the committee meeting or assembly if I get them 24 hours in advance.

I've received a small amount of feedback on the beta website, but not enough to be able to gauge how much it has been used. That address is <http://beta.aa-nia.org>. It will continue to mirror the data on the primary site, so I encourage everyone to use the beta exclusively as a way of helping with usability testing. That's the only way to assure that it is doing the job properly, and most likely would expose any problems. Barring unforeseen difficulties, we plan to retire the old site in early June.

We've recently filled a few more requests for subdomain installations of WordPress, but feel that the downside of subdomains should also be considered. If we set up a subdomain for your district, you would not be able to have email addresses from that subdomain. Also, if for any reason the area site goes down your site will go down with it. Subdomain websites increase the traffic on the server, so there could possibly be some performance consequences, too, though we haven't reached that stage yet. This is not to discourage subdomains, but rather to explore all the issues.

As always, feel free to make comments and suggestions to me at webmaster@aa-nia.org.

Respectfully,

John C.

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