# WebMaster Report Oct. 23, 2018 Roy Degler

I have been looking into ways to simplify some of the things MPLA does online.

#### Goals

- Find a simpler way to run elections (Survey monkey looks good)
- move email to Google Apps for NonProfits
- move website to ModxCloud hosting and simplify the structure of the website

### **Accomplishments**

• Used Survey monkey to run the 2018 election!

### Action Items for the MPLA Executive Board- Approve and prioritize listed goals.

- Move email to Google Apps
  - o Gmail to run mpla email
  - Google Drive to store MPLA data
- Move to website to ModxCloud
  - Requires less server technical knowledge
  - Simplifies development, backups, and upgrading of Modx

## Challenges

- Move email to Google Apps
  - Will lose cloud-based history
  - Require some effort to configure and launch.
    - Need to make changes at namecheap, hosting service, and machforms.
    - Will have a short time where emails might be lost in the void.
  - Must switch all emails at the sametime.
- Move to website to ModxCloud
  - Greatly increases cost of hosting
    - Currently pay \$35/yr
    - Might increase to a max of \$250/yr
  - Will need to move machform to a cloud without mpla.us URL
    - New url will be something like <a href="https://c1021.paas3.tx.modxcloud.com">https://c1021.paas3.tx.modxcloud.com</a> (this is on the OSU library account)