



Library Publishing Coalition Board Meeting

February 2, 2021

Board members: Jody Bailey (president), Karen Bjork, Christine Fruin, Vanessa Gabler, Sarah Hare, Jessica Kirschner, Ally Laird, Emma Molls, Scott Warren, Melanie Schlosser (ex officio)

Agenda

- Regular reports
 - Committee liaison reports
 - LPC Leadership Updates (Officers and Staff)
 - Strategic affiliates update
 - Service Providers update
 - Travel/conference attendance updates
- Debrief on retreat
 - Review executive summary and action items for follow-up to ensure that we've captured major items
 - *Outcome: Shared understanding of important takeaways from the retreat*
- Discuss formation of a task force focused on preservation (this came out of the strategic affiliate discussion with CLOCKSS)
 - *Outcome: Decision on forming a task force*
- Discuss formation of a kudos program for LPC community members
 - Prereading: Program proposal
 - *Outcome: Decision on proceeding with this new program*
- Discuss how to move forward with structure of membership fees to support broader engagement
 - Prereading: Previous task force's final report and supporting decision matrix
 - *Outcome: Decide whether to form a new task force or board subgroup*
- Discuss D&I Task Force Road Map
 - Prereading: LPC Roadmap for Anti-Racist Practice
 - *Outcome: Decision on approval of Roadmap*
- Review Fellowship Program and discuss what might be included in next iteration
 - Background: <https://librarypublishing.org/get-involved/lpc-fellowship-program/>
 - Should a research project be included for the next cohort?
 - *Outcome: Agreement on any changes we want to make to the Fellowship Program*
- Board office hours
 - What kind of interaction are we NOT having that we'd like to have?
 - How do we want to do this? Open call or invitations to something similar to focus groups on a regular basis?
 - We also thought about the possibility of arranging social interactions. Are we still interested in this type of interaction?
 - *Outcome: Shared understanding of Board Office Hours Program*



Minutes

Present: Jody Bailey (president), Karen Bjork, Christine Fruin, Vanessa Gabler, Sarah Hare, Jessica Kirschner, Ally Laird, Scott Warren, Talea Anderson (LPC Fellow), A.J. Boston (LPC Fellow), Hannah Wang (guest), Melanie Schlosser (ex officio), Nancy Adams (notes)

Regrets: Emma Molls

- I. The Board reviewed committee reports and other updates. Melanie and a Board member will be meeting with strategic affiliate representatives to discuss renewals. Now that other resources are available, Melanie and Nancy will send out announcements on sunsetting the service providers list.
- II. The Board debriefed on the recent Board retreat sessions. It was agreed this was a valuable exercise, and we should consider holding similar meetings at the end of onboarding for new Board members, in addition to the in-person retreat. Melanie and current and future presidents will ensure all next steps/projects are included in upcoming agendas.
- III. The Board discussed a potential new task force on preservation. This idea emerged out of recent discussions with new strategic affiliate CLOCKSS and builds on the current NASIG collaboration. This task force could help review the existing preservation practices of library publishers and provide recommendations for how to best support the community, while engaging with partners and other Educopia initiatives, like MetaArchive. This task force may be of interest to those at member institutions not specifically involved in library publishing. The Board unanimously approved this task force, which will be added to the current recruitment cycle.
- IV. The Board discussed the kudos program proposal, which would allow for more informal recognition of the great work our membership is doing. It was agreed that peer recognition is important and this could be useful for annual reviews or tenure, especially if it was accompanied by a letter on letterhead. The overhead is also light for LPC staff. The Board discussed some logistics, including how often to send out emails, the option for nominators to remain anonymous, and the option for kudos recipients to turn down public acknowledgement but still receive private recognition. The Board unanimously approved this program, and Melanie and Nancy will develop the nominating form and other documentation.
- V. The Board discussed the possibility of adjusting our membership structure to allow for broader engagement. The previous task force on this subject decided there was no low-hanging fruit, with some options requiring significant LPC staff overhead to implement. It was proposed that we launch a task force which can review which types of institutions or geographic areas we feel are missing from the LPC community and plan targeted outreach to these institutions. The task force will be by invitation and composed of those very familiar with LPC, such as previous Board members. The Board approved this plan.
- VI. The Board discussed also providing more opportunities for non-members to be involved with LPC, such as membership on committees and task forces. It was agreed that LPC members should have the first opportunity to participate, but, if extra spots are available after recruitment, opening up participation might increase interest for involvement with LPC. Melanie will begin to think about logistics, with the final approval to come at a future meeting.



- VII. The Board reviewed the Diversity and Inclusion Task Force road map draft. The Board was given opportunity to provide feedback outside of the meeting. The Board agreed that we should share this report with the LPC community and the general public. The task force will finalize the road map, with the goal of releasing it before committee recruitment begins.
- VIII. Discussions on the Fellowship Program and Board office hours were postponed due to lack of time for discussion.