

ACRL/NEC Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 25, 2014 – 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
UMass Amherst, Web DuBois Library, Room 2601
Amherst, MA

Present:

Phil Waterman – *President*
Dave Bretthauer – *Vice-President/President-Elect*
Melinda Malik – *Treasurer*
Jessica Adamick – *Treasurer-Elect*
Alan Witt – *Secretary*
Eleta Exline – *Past-President*
Kirstin Kay – *Chapter Archivist*
Laura Kohl – *Member at large*
Sarah Hutton – *Communications Committee, Co-Chair*
Annette M. Vadnais – *Communications Committee, Co-Chair*
Leslie Button – *Nominations Committee, Chair*
Patrick Hartsfield – *Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Co-Chair*
Nancy George – *Scholarships & Awards Committee, Co-Chair*
Lynn Amber – *ASIG, Co-Chair*
Galadriel Chilton – *ERMIG, Co-Chair*
Kim Maxwell – *ERMIG, Co-Chair*
Sam King – *ITIG, Co-Chair*
Nancy Dennis – *WSIG, Co-Chair*

Attending virtually:

Peter Cochrane – *Membership Committee, Co-Chair*
Marianne Thibodeau – *Membership Committee, Co-Chair*
Amy Galante – *Social Media Manager*
Sue Raidy-Klein – *CDIG, Co-Chair*
Adam Williams – *NELIG, Co-Chair*
Hillary Corbett – *SCIG, Co-Chair*
Andrée Rathemacher – *SCIG, Co-Chair*

Absent:

Karin Heffernan – *Member at large*
Codey Kolasinski – *Communications Committee, Co-Chair*
Mike Cerbo – *Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Co-Chair*
Melissa Behney – *Leadership Development Committee, Co-Chair*
Gail Geisser – *ASIG, Co-Chair*
Martha Kelehan – *CDIG, Co-Chair*
Rod Obien – *ITIG, Co-Chair*
Gina Bastone – *WSIG, Co-Chair*

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1. WebEx Testing and Introductions

Phil called the meeting to order at 9:50 am. Introductions were made around the table, and WebEx set up (with some issues with clarity and volume on the remote end).

2. Budget Review and Approval (Melinda Malik)

All adjusted reports have been sent out via email. The proposed Budget for the coming year is on an Excel spreadsheet with 4 tabs. Respectively, they are: The last 4 years of final budgets; SIG Income statements; 3 year SIG comparison and averages; the proposed budget. Said proposed budget is in line with the previous year's. For the Communications line, there are special appropriations for a new logo along with the website expenses. Overall, the budget is very conservative, but yet we managed to raise money instead of lose it as expected.

Sam requested a number for the total available funds for ITIG. **Melinda** answered that the standard SIG allowance doesn't factor in independent income by the SIGs. She noted that overall, totals are still in the black across all the SIGs; we're pretty healthy and good at maintaining a level account balance. **Nancy** noted that on the Scholarship budget the national scholarship amount is too low and should be raised due to increasing travel and food costs.

Motion: Nancy George moved that the conference budget be accepted; Eleta Exline seconded. Motion was unanimously passed.

3. Appointing Finance Committee

There was a question about the composition of the committee would be, specifically as to what had been agreed previously. **Eleta** noted that we had decided in previous discussions that it should be a past treasurer, rather than the past Treasurer. **Phil** remembered that the full roster we decided on was the Treasurer, a past Treasurer, Treasurer-Elect, and a past President. **Melinda** looked it up in the manual (Section 3:13 page 52), which established that the roster must be a past treasurer, a past president, and a member of ACRL NEC with knowledge of finance. The committee then works with the Treasurer and Treasurer-Elect. The term of office for the committee corresponds with that of the President, because the committee is appointed by the President. **Melinda** noted that we should get this panel together in May next time.

Eleta reported that Leslie indicated she was willing to continue in the Past-President role, and that Diane was willing to serve through the end of the year as Past-Treasurer. **Phil** said that he

will contact both of them to confirm, and will also look for a general member. **Nancy** suggested that we look for someone with training in finance, as a good mechanism for promoting future treasurers. Per Melinda's point about getting the committee appointed in May, **Eleta** noted that outgoing and incoming presidents need to coordinate on this in the future.

4. Conference Planning Committee Report (Dave Bretthauer)

The committee held its first meeting the week before the Board Meeting; there had been difficulty in getting all of the virtual conference folks together. Currently, they are working on scheduling.

Lynn asked about the number of vendors being down to 12. Dave responded that the committee's consensus was that that number was not acceptable. 14 vendors was a stretch for funding the conference, and we can't do it with less than that. 4 foot tables were proposed as a compromise to fit in more vendors, and Dave said he was working with someone to push that option, with 14 to 16 tables of some sort is the ultimate target. On suggested fix was to reduce the registration footprint in order to fit in more vendors. Phil tentatively reserved the space for the conference (on the day of the last one), and Dave reached out to confirm the time slot after we checked the fit with URI and Simmons graduation dates.

Dave submitted that we might want to separate out logistics of planning from the programming and move the planning to a 2 year cycle to stop the problem of scramble planning. For example, **Phil** mentioned that someone from UMASS Lowell reached out to last year and was looking to see if we were interested. If we were to host elsewhere than at Holy Cross, the event would have to be at a 30 mile radius around Worcester for centrality. Currently, UMASS is booked for that weekend a year out. The way we're structured, the Vice President has to be on the phone to arrange for space reservations as soon as their Vice-Presidential status is confirmed.

Phil noted that it's a shame we have this vendor issue with Holy Cross b/c everything else is great. But the vendor squeeze hits the bottom line, and EBSCO did not like being out in the lobby alone the other year. **Dave** said that he is looking for information about past conferences and the locations of vendor tables at Holy Cross so he can keep notes. **Eleta** pointed out that one option would be to move Check-In to mobile devices to cut down on registration footprint; EventBrite does allow for this. **Kim** was really happy to see the idea of separating programming from conference planning, noting that that structure works for other organizations. **Eleta** agreed, noting that the split would also streamline conference meetings to make them more targeted and productive. If we wanted to move in this direction, we should keep note of this to bring it up for a vote at a later date.

5. Membership Committee Changes (Peter Cochrane)

The committee is talking about transitioning to the academic calendar year for membership. The goal will be to pro-rate it for the calendar year. The choice at hand is: Do we allow

members to pay twice for January 2015 – August 2015, or do we have them pay in one lump sum for the whole membership?

The other decision needing Board input is: Do we do the same for other member categories? Specifically, would we prorate a \$5.00 and \$10.00 membership or just extend their memberships at the regular annual rate?

The committee recommends one payment, with messaging to explain the change. The summer of 2016 would be when we reverted to an annual payment scheme. **Marianne** makes the point that the single payment route would also save on membership fees on Eventbrite. This issue mainly affects current members only. In summer 2015, new members would come in at the regular price.

Motion: Melinda Malik moved that the Peter's recommendations be accepted for a single fee; Nancy George seconded. Motion was unanimously passed.

Peter then asked about the decision for the other member categories; should we prorate or just extend their membership as a promotional tool? **Nancy** argued that we should prorate their fees for consistency. This would come out to a one-time fee of \$8.00 for library students, and a fee of \$16.00 for paraprofessionals and retired librarians.

Motion: Alan Witt moved that the above fee schedule be accepted; Nancy George seconded. Motion was unanimously passed.

6. Members at Large: State Rep Followup (Laura Kohl)

Laura stated (for review purposes), that the current plan is for a single representative for each state in New England. Eleta will put that plan to the vote online with a 3 week period for voting. The question at hand is how to implement this plan, which would entail 3 representatives voted in for a 2 year term and another 3 voted in the next year.

One possible plan: elect them all at once, 3 for a 1 year term and 3 for a 2 year term, excepting Laura who is already in position for a 1 year term as RI state rep. **Eleta** and **Phil** said that such an election would happen in spring with along with the general Board elections. **Laura** asked whether we could appoint representatives for the 1 year term and then do elections going forward? There was some general agreement about the advantages of appointing, but the difficult question stemming from that would be which states are going to be 1 year and 2 year? One suggestion was to appoint all of them and use the individual preferences of the appointees (1 vs. 2 year term) to decide the above. That way, the details wouldn't need to go into the bylaws, as it would be a question for the Board. To counter that, it was noted that appointments limit the pool of applicants to people known to the Board; elections are better route towards recruiting new talent into the board. A point was made that elections would need to be specific to individual states, but Survey Monkey can easily screen by state for the purpose of voting.

Eleta asked if we could try to seek out candidates, and if there were none then we could default to appointments. **Phil** noted that one of the Retreat action items was more outreach, and that this could be a major focus. **Laura** pointed out that it depends on how recruitment for board positions is handled. Perhaps some more avenues for publicizing open positions could be addressed? **Phil** summarized the discussion to: the general idea currently is appointing all six positions and then elections going forward. Dave would be doing the initial appointments as the incoming president, and hopefully Dave's successor would agree to reappoint his choices (since appointees terms only last through the term of the president who appoints them.)

This would have to wait after the ballot approving the idea, and then the Board could vote on our approach going forward. **Eleta** suggested that we could add a point to the ballot asking if people are interested in running IF the ballot passes as a way of producing a shortlist of potential appointees.

7. ITIG Report (Sam King)

The ITIG met twice; one of those meetings was held with Kieran Ayton in Portsmouth. Their initial strategy for this year is to continue the annual Digicamp and to approach Simmons for hosting.

Additionally, they are planning to implement a digital roadshow, which would entail going to different regions to offer technology type activities. The first event will be at SNHU to highlight their makerspace. The group is also in contact with people in Maine to have a follow-up show there. Going forward, there would be a continuing rotation for Vermont, NH and RI. This whole plan is for the next three years; hopefully they would be able to continue it going forward.

The Initial ITIG virtual meeting will be in the fall so the whole group can have planning input. **Melinda** reminded them to double check the limits on honorariums, since anything over \$600 needs a 1099 form for the recipient. Additionally, if any group is planning to charge admission, they would need to submit a budget to the board. If revenue or expenses exceed \$1000.00, admission fees are over \$20, or if an honorarium is given, that also needs to be submitted for approval.

8. Retreat Follow Up - Implementing Our Strategic Priorities

Phil reviewed the retreat notes, looking to identify the most important items to attack. He noted that all of these initiatives should initially be spearheaded by a Board member and others, who would then recruit more people to implement them.

Nancy pointed out that *communications infrastructure* is a good focus, since that task force is already in existence in the form of the SuperGroup. **Eleta** argued that the first thing to do is to get the SuperGroup together to make a plan going forward, starting with basic stuff that needs

to be dealt with, such as passwords and contact points. **Phil** said that our infrastructure is fundamental for our outreach efforts, and needs to be a top priority.

Student group surveys. One possible strategy would be to work through the state reps for the task forces. **Eleta** reminded us that she is the contact person for all things Survey Monkey.

Task force composition ideas: The retreat notes initially suggested several task forces, but the discussion went in the direction of one task force focusing on all three groups under discussion (Library Students, Paraprofessionals, and Community College Librarians). This group could then promulgate surveys, which should be individualized to each type of member and created using input from individuals in each community. One possible composition of this task force would be 1 or 2 board members and 3 each of Library Students, 2 year Community College Librarians, and Paraprofessionals. **Phil** said that the next step is to recruit the Board members. **Laura** noted that they should probably be State Representatives, and volunteered herself. **Phil** stated that an achievable goal would be to have a plan of action for the next board meeting. **Laura** decided that the immediate priority would be to find a specific Board member to partner with, and then to recruit candidates for the task force. She said she will report on the results in November.

Leadership development: It was generally agreed that this topic was covered by our task force recruitment. By focusing on a few things, we can avoid overextending ourselves while still being able to set concrete objectives for the three tasks above.

Open Access Journal: **Eleta** noted that in order to avoid overreach we should take a step back and look into what form the Journal would take and formulate reasons for why we would want to create one. Alan will talk to scholarly communications about both the form and function of the Journal. He will update the Board at the next meeting so we can decide on how to proceed.

9. Appointing Nominating Committee (Leslie Button)

Leslie reported that there is no news yet, but she will update us between meetings via email on the committee's progress.

10. Other Business

The next Board meeting will be at Assumption College in late October or early November. Phil will send out a poll shortly to determine the exact date. Looking forward, the next two meetings will be at Manchester Community College in January and Bryant University in March.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Alan Nicholas Witt
ACRL/NEC Secretary 2014-2016

Electronic Voting Held between May 9, 2014 and August 25, 2014

1. A motion was made by Melinda Malik and seconded by Alan Witt to approve the budget for the Leadership Development Committee's fall program:
The motion was approved 18-0-0.

Board Reports:

Archives Report

Kirstin Kay

I've been researching retention needs and a procedural workflow for financial records. There are both legal and business necessities behind establishing the records document lifecycle. With the gift (legal transfer) of the organization's historic archives to UMass Amherst, we will need to establish if that is where other permanent (and important to the organization) records will be transferred.

Respectfully,

Kirstin Kay

Treasurer's Report

Melinda Malik

Attached you will find the treasurer's report for fiscal year ending 6/30/14. This annual report includes a comparison of the last three fiscal years with totals and averages, a proposed 2014-2015 budget, and 2013-2014 SIG income statements.

As you will recall, last summer the board voted to begin using QuickBooks Online for its book keeping system. In preparing the annual reconciliation for our accountant for FY14 (ending June 30, 2014), I determined that I incorrectly set up the beginning equity balance (7/1/2013) when I established our online QuickBooks account last summer. Basically, checks that were issued in June 2013 (FY13) were recorded twice.

In any case, the records have been cleaned up and balanced and are ready to go to our accountant, Todd McCann, CPA. I've also prepared corrected quarterly reports for FY13, which you will find attached to this document.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. My apologies for the error.

Respectfully,
Melinda Malik

Committee Reports:

Communications

Amy Galante, Co-Moderator

Social Media Report

Hilary Kraus stepped down from co-moderating the [ACRL NE Twitter](#) account. Annette Vadnais has volunteered to co-moderate with Amy Galante (that's me!). I changed the Twitter account password. The co-chairs of the Communications Committee, current President, and Vice President have the new password.

On our [Facebook](#) page, I have updated our Admins. The following people now have Admin access: Dave Bretthauer, Sarah Hutton, Phil Waterman, Eleta Exline, Brian Gallagher, Jason Soohoo, and Codey Kolasinski (pending). Remember: if you post anything on FB, remember to sign with your first name.

I created a "Guidelines for ACRL NEC Social Media Moderators" document and submitted it to the Communications Committee Co-chairs, President, and Vice President. It can be viewed here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Yhu_zkJPtwsdpi0iRq7hgawt81vVmO451GfdxQMXW5Q/edit?usp=sharing

Question: Do any other committees or SIGs have their own social media accounts? ASIG has its own Facebook page. It doesn't see a lot of action, so I'm thinking of combining into the Chapter page. Doing that would migrate our "fans" over to the Chapter page.

I'm always looking for fresh content to post. If you have an upcoming event, meeting, or anything relevant to the library world that you'd like to share, just send an email to me (aegalante@bentley.edu). I use Hootsuite and can schedule posts for Twitter in advance.

Finally, we are 8 people shy of hitting 500 "likes" on our Facebook page! We currently have 439 followers on Twitter.

Cheers!

Amy Galante

Conference Planning Committee

Dave Bretthauer

The Conference Planning Committee met on Tuesday, August 19. Thanks to Phil's quick thinking on May 9, we have reserved Hogan for Friday, May 8, 2015. On further checking, this date works well because it does not coincide with Simmons' or URI's commencements.

A significant issue is that Hogan "strongly suggest[s] a **MAXIMUM of 12** - 6 ft tables only" in the Gallery (food) area; "It is always very crowded and it's an egress issue."

The 2014 Conference's reduction from 16 to 14 tables at Hogan's request created some challenges for the budget, and our feeling is that 12 tables is not acceptable. We discussed a few options:

1. Moving the Conference to another facility. While some options were briefly discussed, there was no appetite to pursue this option since the conference is now less than nine months away and 95.4% of 2014 attendees are "Very Satisfied" or "Satisfied" with the facility.
2. Raising costs for vendor tables. This was just done for 2014 and vendors complained about the increases, the Vendor Relations subcommittee members recommended against doing so again this year.
3. Request five foot or four foot tables for exhibitors rather than six foot tables.
4. Reducing or perhaps eliminating the registration footprint in Hogan's entry area and making space for more vendor tables there.

Outcomes of this discussion were:

1. The Registration and Evaluation subcommittee will look to see if EventBrite can be used to streamline the registration process at all
2. The Site Planning subcommittee members, while new, are well aware of the pertinent issues. They will discuss options with Hogan staff, and work with Vendor Relations & Registration subcommittees to come up with options that work for Hogan and the Chapter.
3. Regarding the vendor table limitation at Hogan: my recommendation for future Conference planning is that separating the Conference's logistic planning from its program planning would allow the Chapter flexibility to consider other conference siting options in a rational manner. My personal feeling is that the Chapter should not assume that Hogan will serve our needs for the foreseeable future, and having a discussion about the host facility's strengths and weaknesses is healthy to do every couple of years. But I haven't been involved in planning very many Chapter conferences and others' opinions matter more than those of a Worcester resident.

Logistic planning could then be done on a longer timeframe—perhaps 1 ½ to two years ahead—

while programming could remain timely by continuing on a timeline similar to what we have used. That is as specific language as I have yet been able to draft.

Current practice, even if the Chapter decides to keep the Conference at Hogan in perpetuity, requires the incoming President to remember to find a desirable date approximately one year out and tentatively reserve Hogan, even as the current year's Conference is at hand or underway, unless the incoming Vice President is very familiar with this conference's planning process. That is a lot for a volunteer to keep track of. Separating the two components would eliminate any scramble, and permit the Chapter to consider more options as needed.

At our meeting we also had a brainstorming session about the Conference Theme. Reviewing 2014 survey responses, we came to focus on spaces (physical and virtual) and assessment. We came up with a couple of ideas for catch phrases, which I'd prefer to share in person. We have referred this phrasing for refinement to the Programming Subcommittee members and one additional CPC member, all of whom were the most active participants in the discussion.

We're close to completing setup of the group's planning website and discussion group. I found the existence of and access to the 2014 CPC's Google group and Google website very helpful in getting up to speed and hope my successor finds these tools helpful as well.

One additional item of interest: we have an opportunity to investigate an idea that came up in discussion at the 2014 Conference Wrap-up meeting on May 30 (this is the "May 30" meeting I keep referring to) about the possibility of adding another virtual conference host and session somewhere in Western New England. I *do* realize that the suggestion may have initially been made somewhat tongue-in-cheek; I recall Michael Cerbo offering the thought with a laugh. The opportunity came in the form of a volunteer from Western Connecticut State University, Arianna Schlegel. Even better, Arianna is this week moving from Danbury to Poughkeepsie, NY, to start a new job at Vassar. Arianna will serve on the Virtual Conference subcommittee to investigate the viability of this possibility.

To stress a couple of things about this action: First, this is an *investigation*. I make no promise that we will run an additional site unless the planets align--Arianna is in a new job, in a new place, and needs to be settled. But at this point I also won't say that it won't happen. Second, this is not intended in any way to be competition for, or to poach members from, the Eastern NY ACRL Chapter. I simply see an opportunity to offer another low-cost programming option for folks in Eastern New York. When I lived in New Haven, I attended several ACRL programs offered by Metro New York and Eastern New York Chapters.

I'm very grateful to Arianna for her willingness to try to take this on at a new job/workplace, to Michael Braun Hamilton for assisting not only in the transition to a new host site in Vermont but also his willingness to share his experience generally, and to Ian Fowler of the University of Southern Maine for his willingness to run a host site in Maine.

Dave

Constitution & Bylaws

Patrick Hartsfield & Michael Cerbo, Co-Chairs

C&B has two updates:

- 1) A new PDF version of the manual has been posted to the chapter website (About Us>ACRL/NEC Manual). It contains an updated list of officers (p. V:19) and programs (p. V:28).
- 2) A version of the manual was uploaded to Google Docs and shared via the Board email list. Link to the doc: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RoQriJrUNFsmQ7oxQ-npSXR1BqpD8cq1GnAj9W-VdNM/edit?usp=sharing>.

Patrick Hartsfield & Michael Cerbo

Scholarships and Awards

Nancy George, Chair

Nothing to report since the retreat.
However, we do need a co-chair for the committee.

Nancy George, Chair

Special Interest Group Reports:

Access Services Interest Group

Lynn Amber, Co-Chair

The Access Services Interest Group is in the process of organizing a one-day conference in the Fall with a potential date of November 5th, 2014. We are tentatively looking at holding the conference at the New England Technical College in East Greenwich, RI and are in the process of gathering cost estimate information for this venue.

We met on July 29th at Holy Cross in Worcester to begin planning for this conference with a possible theme of- **Resource Sharing: More than Just ILL**. We are still actively seeking a keynote speaker and planning break-out session topics revolving around this theme.

Our current active planning committee members include:
Lynn Amber – new co-chair (Dartmouth College)
Joel Atkinson (Univ of Conn)

Catherine Boswell (Antioch New England)
Eileen Cravedi (College of Holy Cross)
Amy Galante (Bentley University)
Gail Geisser – co-chair (Rhode Island School of Design)
Ellen Keane (Univ of Mass – Lowell)
Eun Joo Lee (Wesleyan University)
Anthony Loffredio (New England Technical College)
Kari Mofford (Univ of Mass – Dartmouth)
Ellen Royalty (Middlesex Community College)

Respectfully Submitted,
Lynn Amber

Electronic Resources Management Interest Group

Kim Maxwell, Co-Chair

We've been working on pulling together a fall program, together with CDIG (after having to cancel the spring program). The Call for Proposals went out in late July and we hope to hold the program on Wed 11/12/2014 . Key dates in between are:

Fri 9/12: Proposals due

Wed 9/17: Presenters notified

Fri 9/19: Presenters confirm commitment to present

Thu 9/25: Registration opens

Wed 11/5: Presentation materials due

Wed 11/12: Program day!

You can view the Call for Proposals here: <http://tinyurl.com/ermig>

Kim Maxwell

Information Technology Interest Group

Sam King and Rodney Obien, Co-Chairs

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Since the last ACRL-NEC Board meeting, the ITIC executive has met two times, once in Concord and once in Portsmouth (with Kieran Ayton).

We have an initial strategy for the group, spread over the next three years.

1. We plan to continue the annual Digicamp and will approach Simmons College to hold it again there in 2015.
2. In addition, we plan to implement a “Digital Roadshow” rotating among the geographic areas of ACRL-NEC, our goals being to A. inspire local interest within all areas and B. increase participation among the northern areas of the organization.
3. The first “Digital Roadshow” will be at SNHU in the spring of 2015. This cooperative venture will highlight their new library’s maker space.
4. Negotiations are underway to hold a second event in Maine (to be scheduled).
5. Future events located in Vermont/Western New Hampshire and Rhode Island will be added to the Calendar. It is our goal to set up a continuing rotation among the areas which can be continued into the future.
6. An initial virtual meeting of the ITIG group will be held in the fall so the whole group can have input into our planning.

This is an exciting group. We look forward with working with all members, as well as the Board, to contribute to the advancement of librarian interest in technology.

Sincerely: Rodney Obien and Samuel King, ITIG Co-Chairs

New England Library Instruction Group

Adam Williams and Rob Walsh, Co-Chairs

NELIG is organizing a workshop for the annual fall meeting on Oct. 3rd at Bryant University. Announcements will begin to go out this week. The workshop will entail discussion groups on the proposed ACRL frameworks. Elizabeth Berman, who is currently on the task force, will be presenting. After the workshop the official fall meeting will begin where NELIG will put together the Annual Programming Committee. We also plan to organize an instruction swap in December at multiple locations.

We also changed the terms of the time commitment of the Secretary and Secretary-Elect positions. Previously the positions each required a 2 year commitment. The officers decided to reduce the commitment to 1 year for each office, as a total of a 4 year commitment was deemed excessive and unnecessary.

The current officers listed below officially took over at the end of June 2014.

Adam Williams - co-Chair (Bentley University)

Rob Walsh - co-Chair (Trinity College)

Amanda Scull - Vice-Chairs/Chair Elect (Keene State College)

Kelly Lemeur - Vice-Chair/Chair Elect

Laura Weber - Secretary (St. Georges School)

Maura Keating - Secretary-Elect (Bryant University)

Kathy Labadorf - Listserv Manager (University of Connecticut)

Scholarly Communications Interest Group

Andrée Rathemacher, Co-Chair

Over the summer, the SCIG added two new members (Julia Lovett of URI and Emily Kilcer of Harvard) to our program planning committee / leadership group, which, in addition to the Chairs and Vice-Chair, is now comprised of:

Marilyn Billings (UMass Amherst)

Barbara DeFelice (Dartmouth)

Ellen Finnie Duranceau (MIT)

Eleta Exline (UNH)

Emily Kilcer (Harvard)

Julia Lovett (URI)

Carolyn Mills (UConn)

We are in the early stages of planning for a fall program, probably in early December. The tentative topic is Open Educational Resources.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrée Rathemacher, Co-Chair