

Diversity and Inclusion in Scholarly Publishing

A Cross-Organizational Discussion

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Diversity and Inclusion Cross-Organizational Initiatives

DATE Tuesday, February 20, 2018 | 11:00 am ET

LOCATION Teleconference

ATTENDEES

Suzanne Kettley, Canadian Association of Learned Journals

Peter Berkery, Association of American University Presses

Patty Baskin, Council of Science Editors

Darrell Gunter, STM - International Association of Scientific, Technical, and Medical Publishers

Melanie Dolechek, Society for Scholarly Publishing

Jennifer Pesanelli, Society for Scholarly Publishing

Anna Creech, NASIG

Unable to attend the call:

Meg McDevitt, International Society of Managing and Technical Editors

Bev Acreman, UKSG

Melanie Schlosser, Library Publishing Coalition

Audrey McCulloch, Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers

Alice Meadows, Society for Scholarly Publishing

Claire Redhead, Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association

Tim Bennett, Council of Science Editors

Charlie Rapple, UKSG

Agenda:

- Welcome/Roll Call
- Review feedback regarding Joint [Statement of Principles Draft](#)
- Discuss name/url for initiative
- Review progress on RFP – provide an email update; circulate final draft

Notes:

Joint Statement of Principles

Following is the status of the Joint Statement of Principles for each organization:

- SSP – board approved; no changes
- OASPA – board approved; no changes
- CALJ – approved, no changes
- AUP – board reviewed and passed to D&I Task Force—expecting response by mid-February; **NO UPDATE: recommendation is stuck with the president; board meets March 19.**
- CSE – board reviewed and passed to Editorial Policy Committee; response expected from Executive Committee next week. **NO UPDATE; board meeting 2/21/18.**
- ISMTE – board approved; no changes 12/19/17
- UKSG –Happy to continue to collaborate on this (and help disseminate the survey), but otherwise would keep a “watching brief” at this time rather than signing the Statement of Principles now (ahead of sounding out more of our community on the project/plans).
- LPC –board approved, recommended minor changes 11/16/18
- STM – presenting to Board in early-February 6 **UPDATE: sending a letter to the Heads of Houses and advise them that the STM Board is inclined to approve these statement of principles and ask them if they have any concerns with STM signing on to these principles. If all goes well STM will approve the Statement of Principles at the April 23, 2018 board meeting.**
- NASIG —approved 11/29/17
- AAP/PSP – withdrawn
- ALPSP – **approved 2/6/18**

Possible names for initiative

- Principles for Diversity and Inclusion for Scholarly Publishing
 - May need to be broader than just the principles
 - Coalition for Diversity and inclusion in Scholarly Publishing
 - Coalition may be too formal
 - Initiative for Diversity and Inclusion in Scholarly Publishing
 - Collaboration for Diversity and Inclusion for Scholarly Publishing
 - Synonyms: alliance, union, partnership, federation, cooperation
 - Communications vs. Publishing—broader is better.
 - Most support for “alliance” and “communications”
 - Alliance for Diversity and Inclusion in Scholarly Communications –ADISC
 - Acronym already in use, consider reordering of words:
 - Scholarly Communications Alliance for Diversity and Inclusion – SCADI
 - No known orgs with acronym; .org URL available; .com taken
 - Scholarly Communications Diversity and Inclusion Alliance – SC DIA
 - No known orgs with acronym; ; .org URL available; .com taken
 - Diversity and Inclusion Alliance in Scholarly Communications – DIASC
 - No known orgs with acronym; .org and .com both taken
- NOTE: “taken” means registered, but not actively hosted

RFP Status

Alice is finalizing and will circulate final draft to group for review.

Next Steps:

ACTION ITEM: Schedule next call once we have RFP results (Melanie)

ACTION ITEM: Provide input/suggestions for name/url for this initiative (all)

ACTION ITEM: Finalize and circulate RFP draft for final review (Alice/Charlie)