

C4DISC Steering Committee

Running Agenda and Minutes from 8/22/22

Handy links

C4 DISC website | C4DISC Drive space | Minutes from earlier steering committee meetings
Steering Committee list email: c4disc@googlegroups.com

Steering Committee membership

2/23/2026

- We need a new treasurer as we no longer have one. Anyone from the steering committee is welcome to volunteer for this very minimal role. (To do–VE–send out an email to the steering committee.)--Melanie S. volunteered to serve as the treasurer with some support from Vanesa (Brit & Gillian will volunteer through the budget and any needs.)
- Website updates to be handled by Bernie and Vanesa until we need more advanced updates. (Alice Meadows reached out over the weekend for website feedback.)
- Proposal was declined for SSP but thinking of creating a webinar dealing with the same issue and topic ideas–Community of Practice–Is anyone interested in supporting this item? Paolo and Carolina have volunteered to work on webinars. TO DO– VE or Patty to send out communications to them.
- Progress on Toolkits: no updates to language guidelines and toolkits for allies
- C4DISC feedback meeting: Bev, Bernie, Charlotte and Melanie supporting –Meeting scheduled for **March 10, 11am ET**, to put together the slides and agenda.
- Community of Practice Meeting: March 2 (12pm EST) on **Recruitment, Retention, and Resilience in Publishing**. Please spread the word! You will have received the email from me you can share. LinkedIn post / Bluesky post to reshare.
- Need budget for FY26.
- Performance review for Bernie and Vanesa and come up with an amount for increase. –Completed—Awaiting an email vote from committee

- Planned survey - **ACTION: PAOLO** planning to circulate for review in the next few days
 - **Review this week, have out ~ 3 weeks. -ACTION ITEM-**Please prepare for discussion at the meeting by reviewing the survey questions beforehand.
 - **Agree on audiences-**Bernie will send text to add to the Agenda email-
- **Univ of Kentucky letter on collaborations - SK post:**
<https://scholarlykitchen.sspnet.org/2026/02/02/robert-harington-attempts-to-shine-a-light-on-some-of-the-political-problems-scholarly-societies-and-academic-institutions-face-in-the-current-political-climate/>
- **UK letter and list of flagged orgs:**
https://pres.uky.edu/sites/default/files/2025-12/uk_ocr_report.pdf
- **CILIP** - seeking a C4DISC rep to speak at their staff meeting, first Wed of month, 9:30 am London time, 15-20-min talk with 10-min Q&A - someone in UK or on E Coast?
- New initiative - DEIA event resource tab on website: webinars/events/talks with C4DISC being the umbrella clearinghouse
- Working Group Suggestion:
 - **Action Item for next meeting: Add comments to this working group decision doc for a new working group.**

INFORMATION: Members 14 / Partners 26 / Adoptees 171

- Adopting Orgs.
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- Orgs. that are no longer involved as of FY26:
 - ASME
 - National Communication Association
 - Origin Editorial, LLC
 - Emory University Libraries
 - Hamad Bin Khalifa University Press
 - Atla
 - NISO
 - ISTME (International Society of Managing and Technical Editors)
 - Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association

Increase for Bernie and Vanessa discussion: Bernie & Vanesa excused

Parking Lot Items:

- CILIP is seeking a C4DISC rep to speak at their staff meeting. Please reach out to Patty if you are interested. (UK)--Bernie will be a backup if no one else can.
 - I'll check in with our Europe based steering co members and then can confirm who will do it.
- Member and Partner practical case studies webinars and interviews to be sourced for 2026 (BF / SP)
- February will be one year since our Rapid Response Day that resulted in the Guidance for Professional Membership Communities. Is this something we should consider doing again? It was really well received! (Melanie S)
- Resource and webinar usage (once comms committee is bedded in) (BF)
 - I'll be trying to galvanise comms and outreach committee to gather events to kick us off and hopefully in time we will be seen as the "hub" / "one-stop shop" for DEIA events in scholarly comms.
 - We will reach out to all members and partners for gathering events
- Strategies for member and partner prospecting for growth (BF to see if comms and outreach committee can take this on in 2026) BF
- Additional programming role required? (Revisit after Comms and Outreach committee bedded in) (MS/BF)