Background:

The COPPUL Scholarly Communication Working Group (SCWG) was endorsed as a standing committee of COPPUL as of March 2012 and has been fully operating since September 2012.

The SCWG has met twice times by Skype since the last report to the COPPUL directors, presented at the COPPUL Fall Meeting, September 19, 2014.

Activities Since The Last Report:

The SCWG is currently looking at new activities/projects to undertake in 2015. Below are some recommended activities for COPPUL Directors’ input and approval.

The tri-agency OA policy; altmetrics and copyright statements in institutional repositories

New Members

There are six new members of the SCWG:
DeDe Dawson (University of Saskatchewan); Mayu Ishida (University of Manitoba); John Tooth (University of Winnipeg); Rob Tiessen (University of Calgary); Robyn Hall (MacEwan University and Patty Gallilee (SFU).

Staggering of Terms

In the fall meeting report, the SCWG recommended staggering of terms for members. Below are the terms for the new members.

R. Hall - 3 yr. Term
J. Tooth - 3 yr. Term
M. Ishida - 3 yr. term

D. Dawson - 2 yr. Term
R. Tiessen - 2 yr. Term
P. Gallilee - 2 yr. term

Change in SCWG Chair

In February 2015, Christina Winter stepped down as chair of the SCWG. Mayu Ishida put her name forward as chair. According to the SCWG Term of Reference, the COPPUL Board will designate the chair. The COPPUL Board met in mid-February and designated Mayu the chair.

Respectfully submitted,
COPPUL Scholarly Communication Working Group (SCWG)

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Christina Winter (University of Regina), chair until February 2015
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