

**COPPUL Scholarly Communications Working Group - Minutes
Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 10 AM (Mountain Standard Time).**

Present: Patty Gallilee, Simon Fraser University; Kristina McDavid, COPPUL Executive Director; Robyn Hall, MacEwan University; Carmen Kazakoff, Brandon University;

Regrets: Elaine Fabbro, Athabasca University; Kathy Gaynor, Thompson Rivers University

1. Planning for 2017

We briefly discussed the demise of Beall's List and whether the Working Group should respond. Most COPPUL Institutions already recommend <http://thinkchecksubmit.org/> as the best way for faculty to evaluate journals and we recommend that for any COPPUL institution changing their process after Beall's List to recommend that website and evaluation process.

We talked about government data including census data and some of the parallels between Harper & Trump in suppressing access to government information. This is something we need to pay attention to, but other COPPUL groups such as ACCOLEDS & the Digital Preservation Network are working on archiving government information.

2. Reporting for the COPPUL meeting in March

Rob will pull together a report on our activities. Patty will send Rob a summary of the two Open Access Week Sponsorship winners. Carmen Kazakoff will send a link about the overlap of interest with the COPPUL Digital Preservation Network.

3. Members

Rob Tiessen agreed to continue to be Interim Chair of the Working Group through April 2017. Robyn Hall will become the new Chair in late April 2017. Three members of the Working Group actually had their terms expire in December 2016. Rob Tiessen & Patty Gallilee both have agreed to stay on through April 2017 on an interim basis.. Kristina McDavid will confirm whether or not DeDe Dawson is interested in extending her term.