

**ShERIF User Group Committee Meeting:
Thursday 3rd March 2022**

via Zoom

In Attendance: Adam Edwards (VC), Jane Cooke (T), Suzanne Davies, Adam Robinson (S), Nicola Tricker, Michelle Walker

		NOTES	ACTION
1.	Apologies for absence –	Elaine Mulholland (C)	
2.	Arrivals and departures – to include Enhancement Groups:	Departures: Ceri Clarke, Suzanne Davies Expression of interest for Web Editor post, Susan Abbott, University of Exeter.	
3.	Minutes of the last ordinary meeting	Minutes from the last meeting agreed.	
4.	Matters arising	None.	
5.	Reports on liaison activity		
5.1	JISC Content Expert Group (CEG)	<p>Minutes from previous meetings of the Content Expert Group (CEG) held on 2nd Feb, or the Learning Content Expert Group LCEG held on 16th Feb have yet to be circulated, they will be shared once published.</p> <p>LCEG has developed a glossary of terms for eResources. ACTION: JC to share.</p> <p>A briefing paper designed for academic colleagues is being drafted to summarise the issues facing the sector in terms of eResource provision and present them in an accessible way.</p> <p>David Prosser at RLUK is exploring OER teaching materials as an alternative to eTextbook models. LCEG drafting a briefing paper which will highlight OER content.</p> <p>JC shared link to OER document below with more information:</p> <p>https://www.oapen.org/resources/151520</p>	JC

		<p>35-0a-books-toolkit</p> <p>RLUK content strategy network working group looking at eTextbooks. In due course JISC will launch a data collection survey to compile sector wide information on how eTextbooks are used, including scope of programmes, level of expenditure and model types.</p> <p>CEG meeting focused on Elsevier 7th proposal. Identified that Springer Nature will likely be the next transformative 'big deal' that will require similar attention and negotiation as the Elsevier deal. Institutions will likely need to explore options with UnSub, Rapid ILLs and consortia agreements again.</p> <p>The IEEE working group is made up of members from multiple groups including RLUK and JISC who are meeting to negotiate a more transparent and structured pricing framework with Content Online. Research conducted by comparing institutional spend so far has indicated prices paid between HEI's lacks a set criteria.</p>	
5.4	Research Councils – Vacant Chair	None.	
5.5	FE - Vacant Chair	Currently two FE members: City of Liverpool and London South East Colleges. ACTION: NC /AR to reach out to contacts to see if colleagues interested in joining the group.	NT / AR
6.	Reports on enhancement groups		
6.1	BSOL – Vacant Chair	None.	
6.2	IHS / CIS – Vacant Chair	None.	
6.3	EBSCO – Kath Halfpenny	None.	
6.4	Ovid – Delyth Morris	None.	
6.5	ProQuest – Adam Edwards	Last met in December, next due to meet in June.	

6.6	Scopus – Elizabeth McHugh	None.	
6.7	Web of Science – Vacant Chair	Expression of Interest from Karen Ball DSTL. ACTION: EM to invite Karen to join group.	EM
7.	sherif Prize – Result	Website updated with speakers presentation, money awarded to Amelia Brookins.	
8.	Event Planning – June 2022	<p>OER suggested as a theme considering work being carried out by JISC and RLUK. OER also highlighted and requested in AGM feedback. Discussed appropriate areas and potential speakers for theme:</p> <p>RLUK has been investigating OER as discussed in 5.1 – David Prosser identified as a potential Key Note speaker. ACTION: JC to invited David to speak.</p> <p>Discussed the consortium of HEIs that are currently publishing with White Rose University Press who have developed an OER model. ACTION: AE to investigate and invite speakers.</p> <p>UCL have been investigating and developing OER model. ACTION: AE to investigate and invite speakers.</p> <p>Discussed the Association of Learning Technologies (ALT) who may provide useful insight.</p> <p>Agreed OER have been more readily received in the U.S. Discussed inviting US speaker from HEIs who have developed this model.</p> <p>Agreed provisional date range for event: 14th – 17th / 21st - 24th June. Will decide date depending on speaker availability.</p>	<p>JC</p> <p>AE</p> <p>AE</p>
9.	AGM Feedback	<p>Agreed there is a clear preference for a virtual meeting in June. OER raised as a suggestion for future event.</p> <p>One feedback quote highlights the positive contribution sherif makes:</p> <p><i>“As someone new to the university environment I found it really informative. Although aware of some of the challenges it was really useful to have some of the detail</i></p>	

		<p><i>about what's going on to try and address the licensing issues."</i></p> <p>Agreed this quote should be added to website.</p> <p>Acknowledged feedback that AGM placing disrupted pace of the event. Discussed options for alternative placement within agenda but could not agree on natural place for AGM to sit.</p> <p>Acknowledged criticism of the event title being misleading. Agreed to ensure messaging clearer for future events.</p>	
10.	Treasurer's Update: Jane Cooke	<p>86 members in total. 84 members are HEIs. There are 2 FE members. There have been no further confirmed cancellations.</p> <p>Report attached.</p>	
11.	Mailing Lists: Michelle Walker	Usergroup mailing list healthy, no significant updates since last meeting.	
12.	Date and place of next Meeting	Provisional date of 15 th May set before June event. ACTION: AR to create doodle poll to gauge availability between the 2 nd - 13 th May.	AR
13.	AOB		

Sherif: Treasurers report 3rd March 2022

Bank

Current account: £294.68
Instant access account: £ 45, 748.37
Total: £46,043.05

**Figures recorded 03.03.2022*

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86 members

Jane Cooke/ Adam Robinson
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