**BCOEL Meeting Minutes**

**May 13, 2019**

**Present:** Brenda Smith, TRU (Chair); Caroline Daniels, KPU; Hope Power, SFU; Martin Warkentin (UFV); Lin Brander, BCIT (Recorder)

[Cascadia Open Education Summit](https://bccampus.ca/event/cascadia-open-education-summit/) update:

* BCIT Instructor, fairly new to open education, said it was the best conference he has ever attended
* The 25 minute format was good (although the 5 minute turn-around between sessions was a little rushed)
* BCOEL lunch included a roundtable, some new people, and a short discussion about a face-to meeting in June

[Library Publishing Forum](https://librarypublishing.org/library-publishing-forum/) and affiliated events:

* Included CARL event – Advancing Open, textbook publishing workshop, and the Forum
* Interesting difference in approach to some library publishing programs which are set up much like traditional publishing programs and are quite rigid and the open education programs which are more free-wheeling and are not necessarily focused on text-book publishing or perfection.
* Lots of talk about open infrastructure – many software projects in development that are similar in nature. This is good – lots of creativity and bad – spread too thin, projects are not well-funded so lots of them die, many people working on similar solutions but not working together.
* Discussions about how to build a common robust infrastructure that is not too restrictive to local solutions and still encourages creative solutions and continued development.

**Working group updates:**

Engagement – committee sent letters to all provincial post-secondary libraries that did not have a local rep on the general listserv. All institutions are now represented on the general listserv

Publishing – Caroline has created a shell for the open publishing monograph that this group (with additional people from UBC) are starting work on. Group has not decided exactly how to proceed.

PD – Cascadia proposal was submitted but not accepted; Martin has set up a YouTube channel – he will send an email out to the steering committee with information and to ask for submissions

**Website update:**

Caroline and Lin will update the areas that are in need of immediate updating. The website will be an agenda item at our next meeting to decide how we want to handle website.

**June in-person meeting**: proposed date for a half-day June 10 or 12. Brenda will send out a doodle poll and information. Lin will book a room at BCIT downtown campus.

**Incoming Chair**: Lindsay Tripp is the incoming Chair for BCOEL.

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