

Chair of the CCANZ Advisory Panel

Updates, Activities and Announcements, May to August 2014

To: Creative Commons Aotearoa New Zealand Advisory Panel

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1. UPDATES

1.1. CCANZ and OERF.

CCANZ has finalised its transition to its new host, the [OERF](#). The smooth way in which this transition went through despite the short time frame is a testament to the commitment of the panel members to the welfare and sustainability of CCANZ. I would particularly like to thank Colin Jackson and Wayne Mackintosh for remaining in their panel positions to see the transition through. I would also like to thank Keitha Booth and Wayne Mackintosh for providing the support necessary to see all the legal documents through in a timely manner. I also want to thank the entire panel for facilitating swift decision making through Loomio. I look forward to working with the Panel, CCANZ staff and the OERF in this new partnership.

1.2. New TOR for the CCANZ Advisory Panel

The new Terms of Reference for the CCANZ are now in place. The document specifies responsibilities for the Panel and Panel Chair that go beyond those originally set out when the Inaugural Advisory Panel was created. As with every transition I expect we will encounter some uncertainties around these new Terms of Reference and may make some mistakes as a result of these. I trust that the Panel Members, the CCANZ Staff and Wayne Mackintosh as the OERF representative will work together to ensure we adhere to these TOR as new matters arise and bring up to our attention when mistakes are made.

1.3. CCANZ Office Space in Enspiral

CCANZ has contracted new office space at [Enspiral](#). I am excited of the opportunities that this new location will bring to CCANZ. Matt and the rest of the CCANZ staff will now be surrounded by like-minded individuals and I look forward to seeing how this community may contribute to the future of CCANZ.

1.4. New Panel Members

Colin Jackson has now officially stepped down from the CCANZ Advisory Panel, and Wayne Mackintosh remains involved as a representative for OERF. Two new Panel Members have now been appointed, and on behalf of the CCANZ advisory Panel I would like to welcome them. Carolyn Stuart from [Network for Learning](#) and David Lane, President of the [New Zealand Open Source Society](#). I look forward to working with Carolyn and David and welcome them to the CCANZ Advisory Panel.

1.5. New Staff

Matt McGregor and I interviewed 2 applicants for the Communication position. Both interviews went well and an offer was made to one of them. This new position will increase the CCANZ capacity and it is a welcome addition to the CCANZ team.

1.6. Open Access Policy at University of Auckland

A third meeting of the policy working group was held at which time it was decided to delay the consultation for the policy until early 2015. There is a risk that the policy will not be supported by staff at this point in time. Much of the faculty reluctance is the result of misconceptions about the implications of such policy. It was decided that information session around these misconceptions will be done in conjunction with the planned “roadshow” that is being organised to raise citations to academic work within the University. This will help us identify the issues that may arise during the OA policy consultation process and preempt them by having more focused information sessions.

1.7. New Zealand Open Source Awards

Nominations for the [New Zealand Open Source Awards](#) have now closed and judges are in the process of reviewing and ranking the nominations. The finalists should be notified in September and the official Dinner is scheduled for November 12 in Wellington.

2. ACTIVITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

2.1. Publishers propose an alternative to CC licences

The [International Association of Scientific, Technical & Medical Publishers](#) have released a series of licences specifically designed for their needs. From their website: *“STM believes that publishers should have the tools to offer a wide variety of appropriate licensing terms dependent on their economic model and business strategy. To that end, the Association has produced sample licences for a variety of uses within open access publishing.”* Some responses to the STM proposal can be found [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#). I would like to encourage CCANZ to add to the signatories.

2.2. Open Access on Radio New Zealand

On July 20 Wallace Chapman from Sunday Morning ran a radio piece on “[The Intellectual Commons](#)” featuring Matt McGregor, photographer Meeen Kadri and myself discussing different aspects of Open Culture. Shortly after I was contacted by William Ray, Science Reporter from RSNZ in regards of the costs incurred by NZ (Universities, Polytechnics, CRIs and the private sector) to access scientific literature. I was interviewed by him on August 29, although I am not sure for which programme.

2.3. Kaitlin Thaney visit to Australia and New Zealand

Kaitlin Thaney, Director of the [Mozilla Science Lab](#) visited New Zealand and Australia as part of her invitation to keynote at the eResearch Symposium. A workshop “[Open Research Practice](#)” sponsored by NESI, eResearch Symposium, NZ/AU Open Research

and CCANZ was held at the Royal Society of New Zealand. The workshop featured a keynote by Kaitlin Thaney followed by lightning talks by Keitha Booth, Matt McGregor, Penny Carnaby, Fabiana Kubke, Nicole Nogoy and Alison Stringer. The workshop was well-attended and generated interesting discussions. I would like to thank Matt McGregor for his help organising the event, securing the venue and catering. Kaitlin had an opportunity to meet with a number of key people in Wellington and Auckland promoting best practice in Open Science.

2.4. Mozilla Festival (MozFest) 2014

I was invited by Kaitlin Thaney to put forward a proposal for this year's MozFest to be held in London October 24-26. Together with [Billy Meinke](#) (Community and Resource Developer at Creative Commons) we proposed a session to *"brainstorm and map the high-level concepts and skills/competencies associated with doing reproducible, open science. Our ultimate goal is to develop a curriculum specifically targeted at graduate students and early career researchers. An audit of available learning resources, lesson plans and assessment tools will help identify gaps that need to be filled to provide a comprehensive curriculum. Concept and skills will be mapped against exemplars of graduate profiles to facilitate adoption of the programme by traditional tertiary institutions."* The development and resources are likely to be hosted in [GitHub](#) and we are waiting for formal approval of the session. I would like to thank Kaitlin Thaney and the Mozilla Foundation for securing funds for my travel and accommodation for the event.

2.5. Open Education Week and Open Access Week

The University of Auckland will be hosting an "Uploadathon" led by the Library during Open Access Week. Rooms fitted with computers will be made available for researchers to arrive with electronic copies of their articles and they will be shown how to upload those to the Institutional Repository. Library staff, Subject Librarians and Open Access "Champions" will be in the room to help with the upload process and to answer any question that may arise. The event will be held once a day rotating through different campuses. This is an opportunity for Faculty and Library staff to get to know each other better, to help identify Staff and Faculty that can help answer questions about Open Access and to capture concerns from Faculty to build a FAQ in anticipation of the Open Access Policy consultation process.

2.6. Open Policy Network Steering Committee

I nominated myself to the [Open Policy Network](#) Steering Committee, but my nomination was not successful. The mission of the OPN is *"to foster the creation, adoption and implementation of open policies and practices that advance the public good by supporting open policy advocates, organizations and policy makers, connecting open policy opportunities with assistance, and sharing open policy information."* There is an opportunity for CCANZ to collaborate with the OPN to help create Policy resources for New Zealand.

2.7. Institute for Open Leadership

I was pleased to see that Julian Carver has been selected as one of the Fellows for the first [Institute for Open Leadership](#): “ *to train new leaders in education, science, and public policy fields on the values and implementation of openness in licensing, policies, and practices.* “ The Institute will host the Fellows in San Francisco on January 2015.

2.8. Open Source Open Society Event

A [two day event](#) is being organised for April 2015 in Wellington: “ *OS//OS is a two-day gathering of the world's brightest minds and most innovative platforms - to share information, discover global best practices, and connect the OS community across sectors.* “ I have joined their mailing list and offered to help, if needed. The programme is still under development.