Queen’s Digital Scholarly Record Working Group
Meeting Notes of September 25, 2017

Present: Don Aldridge, Brenda Brouwer, Rosarie Coughlan, Amir Fan, Cynthia Fekken, Courtney Matthews, Karina McInnis, Heather McMullen, Michael Vandenburg, Martha Whitehead (Chair)
Regrets: Adam Grotsky

1. Welcome
Martha welcomed Courtney Matthews, the library’s new head of Open Scholarship Services, and noted congratulations to Jeff Moon, who has been seconded to the role of Director of the Portage network for the period September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018.

2. Review of agenda
No additions.

3. Review of June 19 meeting notes
No changes.

4. Review of June 19 updated work plan
No changes.

5. Task 3.5 update: Plan and implement a project to support ORCID at Queen’s
Rosarie presented background information on ORCID IDs (see slides posted on working group wiki). Discussion points included:

- In our promotions indicate which other Canadian institutions (particularly U15) are participating in ORCID-CA consortium
- Project charter for Queen’s promotion/implementation will be developed
- Communications plan will be developed at an early stage of the project
- Include in Expanding Horizons
- Researcher workshop in the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science would be a good venue but it is coming up very soon
- Emphasize what is the key selling point – researchers may not see why they should do this in addition to using Google Scholar, for example
- The main message needs to be researcher-focused, not institution-focused
- Key points could be (1) time savings, (2) accuracy – captures all of your works (3) greater visibility/impact of your work
- Promotion opportunity in Open Access Week
- Career week – the week before Open Access Week
- Tap into Research Advisors
- Speak at meeting of graduate coordinators in March
- Include messages from people who have seen the benefits
- Note any evidence of citation increases and cost/benefit analysis
- Package messages concisely
- Consider one-to-one help opportunities and, down the road, automated helps
Actions:
- Rosarie will circulate a draft project charter to the group

6. Task 1.1: Review statements of principles and relevant strategy documents of relevant bodies and consider their applicability at Queen’s.

A number are posted on our wiki space. The group reviewed in particular:
- Tri-Agency Open Access Policy on Publications
- Sample institutional open access policy: Florida Gulf Coast University
- Tri-Agency Statement of Principles on Digital Data Management
- Research Data Management Statement of Principles

Discussion points included:
- Recent discussions with QUFA regarding data storage will inform our drafting of principles
- It will be very important to indicate why this matters – research impact, publicly assisted research needs to be openly available
- Develop FAQs to accompany draft principles
- For several years, following the advice of an open access working group, there has been a “slow drip” approach – awareness raising
- It was agreed that it’s now time to “turn the tap on higher”
- In the FAQs we need to address “who’s going to pay for all this”; some researchers are dealing with things like 30 years of paper, rock samples, etc.
- Perhaps we need a pilot that addresses particular issues that are raised
- We’re taking a 3-stage approach that often proves effective: (1) awareness, (2) principles, (3) pilots.
- It was agreed that we should we take an integrated approach to open access statements and research data management statements which have been dealt with separately elsewhere
- Emphasize “research impact,” “research visibility,” “you the researcher own this and benefit,” “global engagement,” “global impact”
- Watch out for anything that seems to increase administrative burden – alleviate it instead. How does this make my life easier, not the institutional benefits
- Don’t hesitate to call it “open access” – that’s a widely understood and increasingly accepted idea
- Red flags to address: expense of APCs; need to publish in venues that embargo OA for more than the 1-year Tri-Agency policy limit
- The term “research record” was discussed and will need further consideration – “research outputs” or “digital scholarship” come up in some communities

Actions:
- Karina and Cynthia will begin Task 1.2 (reviewing relevant Queen’s documents to identify statements which a DSR statement of principles would need to align)
- Martha and Courtney will begin drafting a set of principles in collaboration with Karina and Cynthia
Martha will work with all of the above to draft the discussion paper that will guide consultations (Task 1.3), and circulate prior to the October 25 working group meeting.

7. **Open Access Week, October 23-29: ideas**

The group discussed ideas for ways to leverage Open Access Week:

- It was agreed that rather than holding an event the approach will focus on specific services that help researchers – again, the “research impact” message.
- As well there will be promotion of open education resources, via the Open and Affordable Course Materials Working Group.
- Communications strategy should include social media and ideally the Principal on Twitter.

**Actions:** Courtney and Rosarie will coordinate promotions.

8. **Task 2.1 background: LCDRI position papers: Advanced Research Computing, Data Management**

Martha provided background on the two papers and noted that Don was involved in drafting the one on Advanced Research Computing and she was involved in drafting the one on Data Management. A third paper on coordination aspects of the DRI ecosystem is in progress.

**Actions:** Don and Martha will begin Task 2.1, for discussion at the October 25 working group meeting.

9. **Task 3.1 check-in: Review existing information on service and infrastructure needs...**

Martha encouraged group members to review and suggest any additions to the “Background resources” and “Some existing related services” on our wiki space.

10. **Review of upcoming tasks**

Tasks 1.4 and 2.3 involve consultation meetings. We will need to ask to be on appropriate meeting agendas.

**Actions:** Martha and Karina will follow up.

11. **Other business**

No other business.

12. **Next meeting – Wednesday, October 25, 1:00 pm**