

Open Initiatives Committee, submitted by: Melissa Cantrell

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Continuing Activities, placing emphasis on any activities supporting the 2017-2021 [Strategic Plan](#)

- Reviewing existing Taylor & Francis agreement to ensure continuity of publishing services
- At request of the Board, OIC is assembling pricing quotes for all seven OA platforms currently under consideration

Completed Activities, placing emphasis on any activities supporting the 2017-2021 [Strategic Plan](#)

- Submitted questions to the Executive Board regarding the new charge to move NASIG Proceedings to Open Access in September 2020 and received answers in October 2020.
- Accepted revised charge for committee and revised charge has been updated on the NASIG website.
- Recruited member of Conference Proceedings Editors Paul Moeller as a member of the Open Initiatives Committee to guide a report on Open Access recommendations to the Executive Board.
- Built a rubric of services, features, and criteria to evaluate Open Access platforms and publishers for the NASIG Proceedings.
- Reviewed 8 open access publishing platforms, and put together and presented a report on the committee's findings to the NASIG Board in February 2021.
- In conjunction with the NASIG Board and E&A, created a survey to assess how members engage with NASIG content and willingness of individuals and institutions to contribute to a transition to open access.

Statistical Information

- OA platform evaluation rubric and pricing:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ZaPBOB6ohr1rxVjM-olBwaDLgm0N7jl7YZ_QjmxyMug/edit?usp=sharing

Other Resources

- OIC presentation on OA platforms to the Board:
<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1P73yqW9GSfcRefwUVY6N64cvySk0ik6xq6BvJDy4Yfl/e/dit?usp=sharing>

Action(s) Required by Board

- Review Price Quotes statistics and report provided by the committee and provide relevant decisions and/or feedback (forthcoming in May 2021)

Questions for Board

- After OIC provides recommendations for the best Open Access platform option(s) for the Proceedings, what priorities should the committee focus on? Will OIC be involved at all in the migration process of the Proceedings to the selected OA platform, or should OIC shift its focus to another part of its charge?

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