LACUNY Scholarly Communication Roundtable
Minutes of 9/5/2012 Meeting

Attendees: Jill Cirasella (Brooklyn, co-chair), Maura Smale (City Tech, co-chair), Stephen Francoeur (Baruch), Alycia Sellie (Brooklyn), Mike Waldman (Baruch), Ann Matsuuchi (LaGuardia), Nancy Foasberg (Queens), Maureen Richards (John Jay)

Reminder about SCRT group on the CUNY Academic Commons. If anyone is interested and hasn’t joined, join at: http://commons.gc.cuny.edu/groups/lacuny-scholarly-communications-round-table/

Those who are interested in SCRT for open access reasons might also be interested in joining the Open Access Publishing Network on the Commons -- an online group for information/idea sharing, and there are occasional meetups as well. Unlike SCRT, it is not a LACUNY entity, and it is not all library folks: http://commons.gc.cuny.edu/groups/oapn/

Furthermore, those interested in following open access events and news around CUNY may want to become readers of the Open Access @ CUNY blog: https://openaccess.commons.gc.cuny.edu/

Moreover, anyone who's interested in becoming a blogger for the Open Access @ CUNY blog should let us know -- we're happy to add new contributors!

Anyone who is confused about the differences among these groups is welcome to ask for clarification -- it can get confusing!

Open Access Week is coming, October 22-28, 2012: http://www.openaccessweek.org/

Online resources from past Open Access Week events at CUNY:
- Info about 2011 events here: https://openaccess.commons.gc.cuny.edu/category/oa-week-2011/
- Info about 2010 events here: https://openaccess.commons.gc.cuny.edu/category/oa-week-2010/
- Brooklyn College’s “Do You Know Your Rights About What You Write? Understanding Authors’ Rights and Open Access” poster (in PPT format, easy to edit): https://openaccess.commons.gc.cuny.edu/2012/05/24/take-our-poster-please/
- Jill’s slideshow for her authors’ rights event (Google Docs, easy to copy and edit): http://tinyurl.com/bcauthorsrights
- Information that can easily be made into a handout: https://openaccess.commons.gc.cuny.edu/2012/05/02/what-lasts-longer-than-a-handout/

Plans for this year:
- Some assortment of campus events Monday through Thursday
  - Please let everyone know if you’re planning an event so we can be sure to feature it on the OA website!
- An all-day event at the Graduate Center on Friday 10/26
  - Morning event - 10-noon? 11am-1pm?
    - Authors’ rights presentation and workshop -- focus on what’s in it for faculty, how faculty stand to benefit from OA
- Presentation/Q&A session about the UFS resolution in favor of the creation of a CUNY repository, the creation of a group to work on that, and progress toward it
  - Afternoon event - 2-4pm? 3-5pm?
    - If possible, a presentation from someone at Temple about their open textbook initiative (Maura will reach out to Steven Bell for recommendations)
    - Possible panelists: Phil Pecorino (has written and used open textbooks and is a big advocate for OA), Mike Waldman (has excellent bird’s-eye view of the overall situation), other faculty who have written or used open textbooks (perhaps one or more of James DiGiovanna from JJ, Susan Amper from BCC, Johannah Rodgers from NYCCT?), a student who can talk about textbook prices and how it affects their education
  - After: Socializing and going out for drinks or dinner
  - Alycia will investigate space
  - Once we have plans, make sure to get it featured on the front page of the Commons (in slider and Featured Post area, Maura can ask)!

Next meeting: Probably early December. We’ll debrief about Open Access Week and start planning a spring event. We’ll send out a Doodle poll after OA Week to schedule a date.