

# 2018-02-16 Steering Group Meeting

## Attendees

Steering Group Members

[Dean B. Krafft](#), [Julia Trimmer](#), [Andi Ogier](#), [Lauren Gala](#), [Eric Meeks](#), [Alex Viggio](#), [Dong Joon \(DJ\) Lee](#), [Mark Newton](#), [Paul Albert blocked URL](#)

★ = note taker

Project Staff

[debra hanken kurtz](#)

Volunteer

[Mike Conlon](#)

Regrets

[Mark Fallu](#), [Bart Ragon](#), [Andrew Woods](#)

## Connection Information

ONE TIME CONNECTION - Debra's personal room. Will change to VIVO room for future meetings.

Debra Hanken Kurtz is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Debra Hanken Kurtz's Personal Meeting Room

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## Agenda

1. Review agenda
2. Conference update – Paul and Eric
3. Budget update – Dean?
4. Tech update – Mike
5. VIVO Strategy Meeting Update: Julia (10 - 15 minutes or however long we have)

## Updates

1. Conference update
2. Budget update
3. Tech update
  - a. On the developer call Monday, the issue of the next release came up. What will it be called? What more needs to be done? Who/how will it be released? When might it be released? Perhaps we need to have a special call of the committers and steering to answer these questions?

## Notes

- Conference update
  - Eric: we have a call for submissions out. No submissions as yet but it's on EasyChair. Have two keynote speakers: Griffin and Warren. Photos and bios ready to go on the website. Still searching for a third speaker. Already emailed a few people. Will cover cost of conference but not the travel accommodations. Therefore, we've been looking for locals. Any ideas would be welcome.
  - Paul: Very important that people stay at the JB Duke. (See [8 Great Reasons...](#)) Messaging derives from Eric's lead (Damaris leading). Sponsorships confirmed: Digital Science, CrossRef, and Clarivate (Violeta leading).
  - Debra: staying at the JB Duke is very positive.

- Julia: we're planning a couple events including introducing newcomers. Thursday will have an explore Durham and also a late-night social event at 9pm.
  - Mike: push the food – simple accounting, some meals are included in the room rate. Eric: my people push the idea that a hotel needs to be approved. At Columbia, it's all about how much it costs. Dean: I think talking about the sustainability of the conference is one of the stronger arguments.
- Budget update
  - Dean: A sub-group is doing a deep dive. Will have another meeting after this one.
- Tech update
  - Mike: the tech activity have perked up a bit. Slack has helped. The biggest topic has been the next release. I had a couple concerns: the next release does require sites to unload and re-load triple stores, and we haven't asked our sites to do that in five years. Additionally, there don't appear to be any visible features.
  - Three major updates: upgrade to [Jena 3](#), [triple pattern fragments](#), a new themes that provides a mobile-first foundation, but the theme is not quite ready for primetime.
  - Maybe we should have this group meet with us. The developers are perplexed. They don't know what to do.
  - Lauren: I - and my colleagues - would be interested in aiding with the design process.
- Strategy meeting
  - Expecting 18-19 people attending the Strategy meeting, and 3 or 4 remote sites. We have a moderator, Heather Grier-Klein.
  - A survey will go out to propose the highest priority goals. We will then come up with a prioritized list.
  - Mike: it's pretty important that we not rehash facts, a packet of materials will be provided. Please familiarize yourself with the materials before he meeting. There is limited time at the meeting to go over materials. Meeting time best spent generating discussion.
- Erin: I heard from a client (Pasquale / Pascal) that is interested in considering VIVO. I notice Graham was featured prominently.
  - Mike: easiest thing would be to contact me.

## Action Items