Division-level Committee Year-end Report and Work Plan Template

Committee

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Committee Name: Choice Editorial Board

Charge/Tasks: The board serves in an advisory capacity to the editor and the publisher on the *Choice* programs. Tasks: consider and make recommendations for editorial policy. Review changes in editorial policy proposed by editor. Review projects proposed for *Choice* sponsorship. Review decisions of the editor concerning grievances which publishers, authors, or reviewers wish to appeal. Advise editor on content, arrangement, and promotion of *Choice*.

Committee leadership

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- Current Chair (2018–19): Amanda Folk
- Incoming Chair (2019–20): Amanda Folk
- Incoming Vice-chair (2019–20):
- Incoming Board Liaison (2019–20): Lauren Pressley
- Staff Liaison: Mark Cummings

Submission information

Year-end report written by: Amanda Folk

Work plan submitted by: Mark Cummings & Amanda Folk

2018–19 Year-end Committee Report

This report will be included in the Committee's official record of activities maintained by the ACRL staff.

What were the major projects/activities accomplished by your committee in the 2018–19 membership year?

- Review and discussion of the Publisher's Report, including budget and financial performance data.
- Review and discussion of the Strategic Outlook, particularly concerning the redefinition of Choice (in progress) and the relaunch of Choice360.org.
- Brief discussions about cc Advisors and the decision to retreat from Open Choice.
- Discussion of opportunities related to the relaunch of Choice360.org, particularly leveraging current strengths (i.e. podcast series, webinars, white papers).

How did you go about getting them done?

A brief bulleted list is suggested (correspond bullets to those above)

- We held 2 face-to-face editorial board meetings, one at the Midwinter 2019 meeting and one at the 2019 Annual Conference.

What were the relevant results for your projects?

A brief bulleted list is suggested that includes assessment as appropriate (correspond bullets to those above). Be as specific as possible. For example: 300 proposals/applications reviewed, 32 selected; Developed and conducted three podcasts (list podcast titles, speakers, etc.) Reviewed ten standards and guidelines (list titles)

- The discussion inform the priorities for *Choice* operations, potential value of proposed projects to different audiences, as well as directions for specific projects.

Are any 2018–19 projects ongoing?

A brief bulleted list is suggested here

- Expanding the mission of *Choice* beyond collection development
- Relaunch of Choice360.org
- Projects related to the previous 2 bullet points, including the successful podcast and webinar series.

What worked well?

A brief bulleted list is suggested here

- The editorial board members seem enthusiastic about discussing where *Choice* is now and where it could be in the future, and the editorial board is comprised of multiple institutional types which bring varied perspectives.
- The current structure for the editorial board meetings works pretty well, as it provides editorial board members with current information and an opportunity to participate in a discussion about the Publisher's Report and the Strategic Outlook.

What could have worked better?

A brief bulleted list is suggested here

- In previous years, we had conference calls between our two face-to-face meetings, which helped to keep editorial board members engaged throughout the year. We suspended those call this year due to a period of regrouping at *Choice*, and we look forward to reinitiating that practice in the upcoming year.

How has the work/activities of your committee demonstrated commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion, within or beyond ACRL?

A brief bulleted list is suggested here

- For the upcoming year (2019-2020), the chair and Bill Mickey (from *Choice*) used the new and existing data gathered in the volunteer form to recruit and select new editorial members that added diversity in terms of race/ethnicity, institution type, and position.

What do you wish someone had told you before starting work on this committee?

Optional

What made this work most rewarding (observations/comments/accolades)?

Optional

- *Choice*'s current situation is really emblematic of the current state of librarianship, particularly related to collections. Traditional models of selection are changing, and the open movement is also changing the landscape of scholarly communication. It's excited to work with a team (at *Choice*) who is so interested in creating their future within libraries in a dynamic and complex scholarly communications environment.

Any other comments, recommendations, or suggestions?

Optional

2019–20 Committee Work Plan

Note: Each activity/project should be reported using the below form. Copy and paste the form as many times as needed to detail each activity/project. Plans should be **Specific, Measureable, Attainable, Realistic, and Timely or SMART).**

Activity/Project Name

Choice Strategic Directions

Brief Description

Participate in ongoing strategic planning for a reimagination of Choice products and services for both existing and new audiences.

Goal Area

Select the *single* best connection to the ACRL Plan for Excellence and provide a brief sentence connecting your project to the Plan.

☐ **Value of Academic Libraries**
- ☐ 1. Articulate a research agenda that communicates the value of academic and research libraries.
- ☐ 2. Promote the impact and value of academic and research libraries to the higher education community.
- ☐ 3. Build on Assessment in Action to expand community of practice and professional development opportunities.
- ☐ 4. Support libraries in advancing issues of equity, access, diversity, and inclusion in higher education.

☐ **Student Learning**
- ☐ 1. Challenge librarians and libraries to engage learners with information literacy skills in a way that is scalable and sustainable.
- ☐ 2. Increase the impact of information literacy by forming strategic partnerships with relevant higher education organizations.
- ☐ 3. Build capacity for librarians to collaborate with faculty and other campus partners in instructional and curricular design and delivery that will integrate information literacy into student learning.
- ☐ 4. Articulate and advocate for the role of librarians in setting, achieving, and measuring institutional student learning outcomes.

☐ **Research and Scholarly Environment**
- ☐ 1. Increase the ways ACRL is an advocate and model for open dissemination and evaluation practices.
- ☐ 2. Enhance members' capacity to address issues related to scholarly communication, including but not limited to data management, library publishing, open access, and digital scholarship.
- ☒ **3. Increase ACRL's efforts to influence scholarly publishing policies and practices toward a more open system. Choice initiatives promote the adoption of open educational resources and provide guidance to librarians as to the most timely resources for their students.**

☐ **New Roles and Changing Landscapes**
- ☐ 1. Deepen ACRL's advocacy and support for a full range of information professionals.
- ☐ 2. Equip library workforce at all levels to effectively lead, manage, and embrace change.
- ☐ 3. Expand ACRL's role as a catalyst for transformational change in higher education.

☐ **Demonstrating Commitment to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion within ACRL and/or the Profession.**

☐ **Enabling Programs and Services (education, advocacy, publications, or member engagement)**

Brief sentence connecting your project to the Plan

Choice (a) provides substantive content and tools that facilitate the work of academic librarians and (b) contributes revenues from operations to the ACRL in furtherance of its programs and mission.

Timeline

☒ continuous project assigned in charge

☐ short-term project that will be completed this membership year
☐ multi-year project continuing past this membership year (expected completion date: _____)

Note: Multi-year, strategic goal-area projects are tracked in a multi-year planning grid. Expect your staff liaison to follow-up with questions to add this project to ACRL's multi-year planning grid which is reviewed by the Board at its fall Strategic Planning Session and referenced for budget preparation.

Outline the steps and intermediate deadlines planned to complete the project.

(add rows as needed)

Specific Action	Due Date	Party Responsible	**Resources Needed** *(e.g., financial*, technology, staff support)*
Consult regularly at ALA Midwinter and Annual meetings	Ongoing	Choice staff; editorial board members	Meeting space at ALA conferences; WiFi access preferred
Board charge expanded to include CC Advisor	Ongoing	Choice staff; editorial board members	
Consult in re relaunch of Choice360	Ongoing	Choice staff; editorial board members	

Assessment: How will success be measured?

- Choice financial reports of revenue from subscriptions, licensing, and advertising
- Choice Reviews usage data
- CC Advisor usage data
- Website analytics
- Social media impact
- Customer/subscriber feedback

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