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**ALA ALCTS CaMMS Subject Analysis Committee**

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**Report from FAST Policy and Outreach Committee**

Submitted by Judy Jeng, SAC Liaison to FPOC

The new steering committee for FAST (Faceted Application of Subject Terminology) was formed in September 2018, known as FAST Policy and Outreach Committee. The inaugural co-chairs are Alan Danskin (British Library) and Judy Jeng (Liaison from SAC). FPOC consists of 12 members, including 4 from OCLC and 8 from the community of FAST implementers. OCLC nominates the initial appointive members from representatives of institutions committed to FAST development. OCLC and the resulting committee will appoint all future appointive members. Terms of initial appointive members are one to two years. My term will end in 2019.

The committee meetings are held on a monthly basis since its inception in September 2018 using Webex. Minutes are recorded by members on a rotating basis. The meetings are also recorded in Webex.

FPOC has set a vision statement: “FAST will be a fully supported, widely adopted and community developed general subject vocabulary derived from LCSH with tools and services that serve the needs of diverse communities and contexts.”

FPOC is compiling a list of desired features with priorities. It is expected to complete in January 2019.

FPOC is also discussing infrastructure to move FAST to production mode.

FPOC members visited the Library of Congress Policy and Standards Division to meet with Janis Young and Libby Dechman to learn more about LCSH editorial policies on October 11-12, 2018.

FPOC held a meeting with the OCLC FAST team to learn more about synchronization process, maintenance of FAST in WorldCat, and current conversion algorithm from LCSH to FAST on October 30, 2018.

The initial FPOC members include Chew Chiat Naun (Harvard), Alan Danskin (British), Kate Harcourt (Columbia), Judy Jeng (SAC), Jason Kovari (Cornell), Amanda Lawrence (APO), Steve McDonald (PCC), Jeanette Norris (Brown), Diane Vizine-Goetz (OCLC), Nathan Putnam (OCLC), Sandi Jones (OCLC), and Jody DeRidder (OCLC).