

Scholarly Communication and Open Resources for Education (SCORE)

A California Academic & Research Libraries (CARL) Interest Group

Bylaws

Approved and adopted by membership vote on July 23, 2014.

Article I. Name

The name of this organization shall be Scholarly Communication and Open Resources for Education (SCORE).

Article II. Purpose

The purpose of SCORE is to provide engagement on current issues on all matters of scholarly communications. Scholarly communication is the system through which research and other scholarly writings are created, evaluated for quality, disseminated to the scholarly community, and preserved for future use. The system includes both formal means of communication, such as publication in peer-reviewed journals, and access issues like open education resources.

Article III. Affiliation

SCORE shall be an Interest Group (IG) of the [California Academic and Research Libraries](#) (CARL). SCORE shall be subject to CARL [Bylaws](#), which to the extent that they are applicable, take precedence over the bylaws of this IG.

Article IV. Membership

SCORE membership shall be open to all CARL members who designate SCORE as an IG of choice on the yearly CARL application/renewal form. There are no additional dues or fees for IG membership. All SCORE members shall have the opportunity to subscribe to the SCORE discussion list.

Article V. Officers, Terms, Duties

Section 1. Officers

This organization shall be governed by an Executive Board working with the support of a Steering Committee, all of whom shall be members of SCORE, and therefore members of CARL.

Section 1.1

The Executive Board shall be composed of the elected/appointed offices of Chair, Chair-Elect, and Secretary. The immediate Past-Chair is also a member of the Executive Board.

Section 1.2

Participation in the Steering Committee shall be open to any member who regularly attends SCORE meetings. The elected/appointed Executive Board officers are automatically members of the Steering Committee.

Section 2. Terms of Office

Each term of office shall be for one calendar year. The Chair-Elect shall serve as Chair of SCORE in the second year following election/appointment.

Section 2.1

There shall be no limit to the number of terms an officer may serve.

Section 2.2

In the event that the Chair becomes vacant during a term, the Chair-Elect shall become Chair for the remainder of the term and for the succeeding calendar year. Other vacancies shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining officers of SCORE.

Section 3. Duties of Officers

Section 3.1

The Chair shall prepare the agenda for and conduct all meetings and any other activities to meet the needs and interests of the members. In addition, the Chair shall serve as a member or chair of program committees for any SCORE programs or workshops, act as liaison between SCORE and the CARL IG Coordinator, and act as liaison between SCORE and other organizations. The Chair may appoint committees or individuals for special projects.

Section 3.2

The Chair-Elect shall serve as a member or chair of program committees for any SCORE programs or workshops, shall serve in place of the Chair, as required or requested by the Chair, and shall perform other duties as requested by the Chair.

Section 3.3

The Secretary shall prepare and keep minutes of meetings and send copies of the minutes to Steering Committee members. The Secretary is also responsible for publicity and public relations, including workshop announcements and reports, and for updating the SCORE page on the CARL website.

Article VI. Elections

Elections shall be held annually in the fall. If there is only one candidate for each office, the Steering Committee shall elect the Officers by acclamation. If there is more than one candidate for an office, the Secretary shall send out an email ballot to the SCORE membership. All SCORE members in good standing may vote. A simple plurality vote elects. In the case of a tie vote, the successful candidate shall be determined by lot.

Article VII. Programs

Refer to the "Program Planning Section" of [CARL Interest Group Guidelines](#).

Article VIII. Parliamentary Authority

Matters not specifically covered in the bylaws, special rules, or standing rules of this IG, shall be governed by the same parliamentary authority used by CARL (the latest edition of the *Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure*).

Article IX. Amendments

Any SCORE member may propose bylaws amendment(s) to the Steering Committee. If a majority of the Steering Committee members agree with the proposed amendment(s), the amendment(s) shall be announced at least 30 days before being sent out for a vote by SCORE membership. Amendment(s) shall be adopted by an affirmative simple majority vote of members who respond. If not otherwise specified, proposed amendment(s) become effective immediately upon approval as described above.