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# Program Steering Committee Update

**& Panel Discussion of Collections Survey Findings**

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# Session Outline

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- **PSC Overview and Update**
- **Panel Discussion of Collections Survey Analysis and Findings**
  - Round Robin from 4 PSC sub-domain perspectives
  - Q & A from the Floor and Panel Exchange
- **Wrap-up**



# PSC Charge

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Established in 2013, the PSC is charged to:

- Review HathiTrust's **development agenda, shaping initiatives and strategies** for Board discussion and decision-making.
- **Develop position papers** for the member community to encourage debate or mobilize discussion with regard to particular issues.
- Work with the Board of Governors to **develop policies** for HathiTrust and its members.

*Bylaws of HathiTrust:*

<https://www.hathitrust.org/documents/hathitrust-bylaws-201302.pdf>



# PSC Membership

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## **Current Members** (8-12 members appointed by the Board for **3-year** terms)

- Ivy Anderson (California Digital Library)
- John Butler, Chair (University of Minnesota)
- Todd Grappone (University of California, Los Angeles)
- Martha Hruska (University of California, San Diego)
- Robert McDonald (Indiana University)
- Erik Mitchell (University of California, Berkeley)\*
- Beth Sandore Namachchivaya (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)\*
- Greg Raschke (North Carolina State University)
- Oya Rieger (Cornell University)
- Michael Stoller (New York University)\*
- Karla Strieb (The Ohio State University)\*
- Elaine Westbrook (University of Michigan)

\* *Denotes new members as of July 2016*



# What Drives HathiTrust Program Priorities?

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Historically:

- 2008-2010: ***HathiTrust Functional Objectives*** (13)
  - Public ‘Discovery’ Interface for HathiTrust, Full-text search, Page turner
  - APIs for member institutions’ use and integration of data
  - TRAC Certification, more...
- 2011-date: ***Constitutional Convention Ballot Initiatives*** (5)
  - Expand and enhance access to U.S. federal publications
  - Establish a distributed print monograph archiving program
  - Formalize a transparent process for development initiatives
- 2014-date: ***Strategic Issue Briefs*** (4)
  - Non-Text Formats
  - Quality Assurance and Validation
  - Services for Print Disabilities
  - Metadata Strategies and Policies



# *How Does the PSC Get Work Done?*

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1. Through close orchestration with the Board of Governors and the Executive Director; and
2. A process of:
  - Discerning needs and interests of the membership,
  - Scoping strategy and work agendas, and
  - Assembling key experts from the membership to serve on committees and working groups to advance exploration and/or instigation (with PSC liaison/lead structure)



# HathiTrust PSC Committees and Working Groups

- ***Collections Committee*** (2014, July 2016): A standing committee responsible for collection development activities and policies, charged with making key recommendations about HathiTrust content.
- ***Metadata Policy, Strategy, Use and Sharing Advisory Group***: (2015) MUSAG is charged with reviewing managed metadata, formatting relevant policy and strategic directions to benefit the members. Interacts closely with the Zephir Advisory Group.
- ***Quality Assurance and Standards Working Group*** (August 2016): Recommends strategies, processes, and techniques detailing how members, end users, and/or HathiTrust Operations can assure the quality of the HathiTrust corpus.
- ***Rights and Access Working Group*** (2014): Promotes HathiTrust's ability to provide the widest possible access to its collections within the law by establishing priorities for rights determinations and strategies for engagement with rights holders.
- ***Ad Hoc Development Framework Working Group*** (2015): Responding to passed Ballot Measure #2, creates a transparent and well-managed process for HathiTrust development initiatives that follow overall programmatic decisions.

For committee/group charges and related documents, see: [https://www.hathitrust.org/working\\_groups](https://www.hathitrust.org/working_groups)



# HathiTrust Program Initiatives with PSC Advisory

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- ***Federal Documents Advisory Committee*** (August 2016): makes recommendations regarding implementation of the U.S. Federal Documents Program.
- ***Shared Print Advisory Committee*** (July 2016): Recommends policies and procedures to establish and sustain the HathiTrust Shared Print Program.

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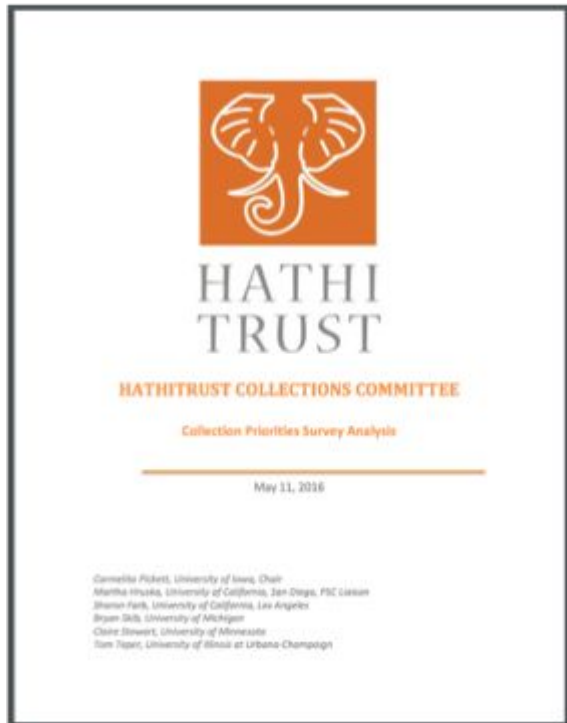




# Panel Discussion



# Collection Priorities Survey Analysis



## **HathiTrust Collections Committee**

- Carmelita Pickett, Chair
- Martha Hruska, PSC Liaison
- Sharon Farb
- Bryan Skib
- Claire Stewart
- Tom Teper

Conducted in Fall 2015 (n=76)





# Key Recommendations

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1. *Concentrate on Enhancing the Comprehensiveness of the Digitized Print Collections*
2. *Improve the Quality of the Corpus*
3. *Improve Services to Members (address barriers to access, provision collection management, analysis, and reporting tools, etc.)*



# Panelists and Perspectives

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- **Martha Hruska**
  - representing the Collections Committee
- **Ivy Anderson**
  - representing the Quality Assurance and Standards Working Group
- **Todd Grappone**
  - representing the Metadata User Services Advisory Group and Zephyr Advisory Group
- **Beth Sandore Namachchivaya**
  - HathiTrust Research Center perspective (Exec. Mgmt. Team)



# What key activities is PSC setting into motion in response to these recommendations?

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# Looking Ahead



# Looking Ahead: PSC 2017

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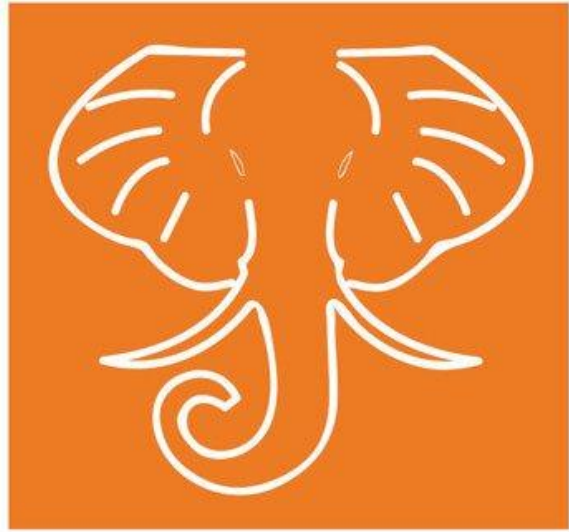
- **Steering and review of numerous initiatives set in motion:**
  - *Collection development of the digital corpus*
  - *Quality improvements*
  - *Metadata policy and use*
  - *Technology/service development framework*
  - *Federal documents*
  - *Shared Print*
- **Emerging policy issues** (with Board and Exec. Dir.)
- **Review of support models** for PSC and groups
- **Strategic planning?** Review of program governance / member engagement models? (with Board and Exec. Dir.)



Thank you.  
Let's talk.







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