



TEI Technical Council 2012

- Term ending 2012:
 - James Cummings
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 - Piotr Bański
 - Sebastian Rahtz
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(appointed Board Rep)
- Term ending 2013:
 - Brett Barney
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 - Kevin Hawkins
 - Martin Holmes
 - Paul Schaffner
 - Rebecca Welzenbach



Meetings of the Council

- In 2012:
 - 28 February 2012 (teleconference)
 - 16 – 18 April 2012 (Face to face in Ann Arbor)
 - 9 August 2012 (teleconference)
 - 19 – 21 September (Face to face in Oxford)
- Coincidence of 3 members in Ann Arbor, 3 in Oxford (and 1 in commuting distance), and institutional travel support for some members has allowed us to save money
- We also organised a cheap 2-day meeting after DH2012 in Hamburg to discuss future changes to TEI ODD



Releases of the Guidelines

- Since the last TEI Members' Meeting we've made 4 releases of the TEI P5 Guidelines:
 - 2.0.0: 16 December 2011
 - 2.0.1: 22 December 2011
 - 2.0.2: 2 February 2012
 - 2.1.0: 17 June 2012
 - 2.2.0: 25 October 2012
- With each release we improve both the automated aspects of building a release and the documentation:
<http://www.tei-c.org/Activities/Council/Working/tcw22.xml>
- Releases increasingly able to be done by any member of the community given sufficient access, building to an increasingly open-source model



Changes Made

- Hundreds of textual and schema affecting changes; some important ones include:
 - Addition of genetic editing recommendations; `<lg>` allowed inside `<p>`
 - Creation of new `@style` attribute for inline detailed description of source
 - Additions such as: `<spGrp>`, `<listApp>`, `<notatedMusic>`
 - Various changes to bibliographic markup especially in `<biblStruct>`
 - `att.datcat` for ISO Standard Data Category Register
 - Improvements to cater for P5'ing ECCO/EEBO-TCP markup
 - Lots of typographical errors or unclear writing corrected
- Improvements to automated build architecture and Jenkins Continuous Integration servers
- Creation of additional output resources (e.g. JSON); improvements to exemplars like TEI Lite; Improvements to related software (Roma/OxGarage/Stylesheets)
- Default licensing changed to CC+BY and/or BSD 2-Clause



Developments in ODD

- Lots of suggestions originating from TEI ODD meeting after DH2012 in Hamburg
- Developments already complete include:
 - Chaining of ODD customisations together (i.e. “I’m a customisation of EpiDoc, but I’ve further constrained this attribute”)
 - Local class-based modifications (i.e. “I am a member of att.typed, but then change the allowed values of the @type attribute that gives me”)
- Developments still to be done include:
 - Finally sweeping aside the Durand Conundrum (i.e. Fully define content models using only TEI)
 - Additional improvements to the power and flexibility of TEI ODD



You Can Change the TEI Guidelines!

- The majority of changes to the TEI Guidelines are made as a result of well presented, detailed bug or feature requests on SourceForge
- Give clear explanation of what you want to change, use cases of how it would be used, and multiple examples, get community agreement on TEI-L; stay involved with ticket as it moves through process for further input
- Another option: work with others (in a SIG or not) to come up with more detailed proposal for significant changes
- Email council@tei-c.org if you want me to create a bug/FR ticket for you



Future Work

- Removal of active support for TEI P4 (soon!)
- Further improvements for bibliographic markup and suggestions gleaned from the Best Practices for TEI in Libraries
- Increased support for standoff markup
- Modelling of prose-based recommendations in ISO Schematron
- Improvements to examples, especially of attribute usage; You can help! See: <http://wiki.tei-c.org/index.php/AttsWithoutEgs>
- Possibility of some limited Code Bounties for TEI community software development (paid for by savings made by Council)
- And much more!