Annual Report of the Journal of the TEI

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Issues 9 and 10

At the time of the last members meeting, we had published most of the mammoth Issue 8: Selected Papers from the 2013 TEI Conference, and articles for issues 9 and 10 were under review.

Since then, we completed publication of Issue 8 and have just started publishing the first article(s) from Issue 9, Selected Papers from the 2014 TEI Conference. Some articles from Issue 9 and articles from Issue 10, Selected Papers from the 2015 TEI Conference, are still undergoing review.

Issue 9 will include a cluster of three articles on “TEI and Materiality,” in a separate section from the conference papers.

Managing Editor Transition

Martin Holmes term as Managing editor expired at the end of 2015, and Anne Baillot has very admirably and successfully moved into that role and is doing a great job.

Technical and Workflow Developments

- In 2015, with Issue 8, we adopted a “rolling publication” model in which articles were published as they were ready, without waiting for the entire issue to be finished. For authors, this means that if one responds quickly to revision/proofing requests, one’s article will come out more quickly.

- We intend to expand on this model by adopting a “Preview” area, something that
is common in other online journals and print journals with an online presence. The “Preview” area is similar to the rolling publication model adopted for Issue 8, but will allow us to publish articles as soon as they are ready, regardless of the intended issue. For example, we are currently working on Issues 9 and 10. We will be reviewing this new model with our recently reconvened Advisory Board and anticipate implementing the Preview area before the end of the year.

- Upgraded our installation of OJS (Open Journal Systems, https://pkp.sfu.ca/ojs/) to version 2.4.8 in August 2016. (And then OJS 3.0 was released on August 31st!)
- Set up of a development version for testing workflow changes.
- Workflow changes discussed early have been investigated, and our plans supported by OJS, with some configuration changes.
- Difficult technical point remains lack of flexibility in scheduling automated email reminders to authors and reviewers.

Financial support from the TEI

We would like to thank the Board for their continuing financial support for our copyeditor, Susie Lorand, whose work is invaluable to us and the journal. Effective June 10, 2016, the previous budget of $2000/year was increased to $5000/year. We are very grateful for this support and request a continuation of the $5000 subsidy for next year.

Copy-Editing Expenditures

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- All our wonderful authors and reviewers

Sincerely,

John Walsh, General Editor
Anne Baillot, Managing Editor
Ron Van den Branden, Technical Editor