TEI Technical Council 2012

• Term ending 2012:
  - James Cummings (now appointed Chair)
  - Piotr Bański
  - Sebastian Rahtz
  - Stuart Yeates

• Term ending 2013:
  - Brett Barney
  - Gabriel Bodard
  - Kevin Hawkins
  - Martin Holmes
  - Paul Schaffner
  - Rebecca Welzenbach

• Lou Burnard (appointed Board Rep)
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](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!