



**DPLA Board of Directors Conference Call**  
September 15, 2016, 3:00 PM Eastern

*Present:* Mary Minow, Jamie Hollier, Bob Darnton, Luis Herrera, Amy Ryan, Denise Stephens

*Absent:* Siva Vaidhyanathan, Niko Pfund, Sarah Burnes, Jennifer 8. Lee

Dan Cohen commenced the call at 3:04 PM Eastern.

**[Public] Welcome, Denise Stephens and Mary Minow**

Dan Cohen welcomed Denise Stephens and Mary Minow to the Board. Dan and other Board Members noted that they look forward to meeting Denise and Mary in person at next month's Board Meeting.

**[Public] General updates from Executive Director:**

- Cohen attended the swearing in of Dr. Carla Hayden as Librarian of Congress yesterday, at which he thanked and congratulated Dr. Hayden on behalf of the DPLA staff and board. Cohen also noted Dr. Hayden's [interview in USA Today](#) published in conjunction with her swearing in mentioning her enthusiasm about participating in DPLA and intention to "sign the papers" to make the Library of Congress an official partner. Board members Bob Darnton and Amy Ryan discussed the next steps to move forward in securing a partnership with the Library of Congress, including a partnership plan that will be circulated to the board ahead of the October meeting and setting up a meeting with Dr. Hayden in the fall.
- Cohen shared that the location for DPLAfest 2017 was announced and that it will be held in Chicago at the Chicago Public Library. Chicago Public Library and the other partnering host organizations have a great team and have previously hosted a DPLA plenary meeting during the planning phase in 2012. DPLAfest will be April 20-21 for the public with internal meetings for our partner network April 19.
- Cohen and other members of the DPLA staff met this week with representatives from Europeana about expanding international inclusion in the [Rightsstatements.org](#) project. [RightsStatements.org](#) launched at DPLAfest in April and this week's meeting was about expanding the network internationally to include participation from Australia, New Zealand, Canada, and other nations in both governance and implementation. Cohen also noted his recent meeting with the Korean Copyright delegation, who expressed strong interest in participating in our work on rights and working towards a cultural exchange agreement in order to share collections. Darnton noted that he too has witnessed strong international interest in DPLA and suggested developing a Department of Foreign Affairs in the future to help manage DPLA's relationships with international partners.

- Cohen shared that the Hydra in a Box partners meeting is taking place now in Boston. Funded by a large IMLS grant, the Hydra in a Box project is a partnership among DPLA, Stanford, and Duraspace to build a modern Hydra-based repository system for libraries and other cultural institutions that will offer modern hosting and more fluid, easy to manage aggregation to other platforms, such as DPLA. The project is about halfway through and should be testing a running version by the end of the year. Cohen also noted successful collaboration among the partnering institutions. Denise Stephens asked about whether the Hydra in a Box repository and aggregation systems will be used as an incentive to expand library participation in DPLA. Cohen noted that it will not be mandatory, but that as institutions start adopting this new repository system, it will be much easier to aggregate data at the state and regional level for our hubs and into DPLA.

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### **[Public] Questions/comments from the public**

Cohen opened the floor to questions from the public. There were no questions from the public. Cohen adjourned the public portion of the Board call at 3:21pm Eastern.