Open Modeling Foundation Executive Committee Meeting

Date/Time: Thursday, November 10, 2022, 8-9 AM (GMT-7)

Attendees: Michael Barton, Laura Swantek, Takuya Iwanaga, Junzhi Liu, Volker Grimm, Min Chen, Bert Jagers, Manuela Vanegas Ferro, Karin Frank, Allen Lee

Not in Attendance: Chris Erdmann

Agenda

● Sloan grant update
  ○ Trustee approval is still needed, but has been recommended by Sloan staff
  ○ Will provide money for chair help and for travel money for meetings
    ■ We can move money around if we need more for travel or for chair and administrative help

● 2023 Members Council meeting planning
  ○ 23 responses
    ■ Dates: Percentages indicate what weeks people can’t attend
      • 5-11 March 12%
        ○ Best date for people to attend
        ○ Karin will start looking into room availability
        ○ Karin and Takuya will talk separately about putting something together for Early Career Scholars
      ● 19-25 February 16%
      ● 12-18 March 20%
      ● 26 February to 4 March 24%
        ○ Better for Michael
      ● 13-18 February 28%
        ○ Michael may not be able to make it during this week because of class schedules

    ■ Format
      ● Remotely 64%
      ● In-person 36%

● Early Career Scholars report
  ○ Approved session on reproducible studies (Heading Towards a Reproducible Future) to target Early Career Scholars, July 2023 in Darwin, Australia
    ■ Supported by OMF
      ● Michael would like to support
        ○ With support from Sloan, we might be able to support travel for students- 5 travel scholarships are written into the Sloan grant ($1000 each, $5000 total for each year)
Can decide if we want to split travel money between this and the March meeting in Leipzig or let people just apply and see who needs money

- Min: paper awards? Can look into money for this on behalf of OMF
- Supported by iEMS

- Takuya: May be very expensive for people to attend in Darwin, so we might want to use the Sloan money in a different way/place

### Working Group reports

#### Education/Outreach

- Organize forum (not a training) for OMF inviting experts to develop standards and implement for different models
- Online or in-person? Could we do at Leipzig?
  - Junzhi would like to kick off at Leipzig- as hybrid, in formal meeting and with people joining remotely

**Laura will get information out to members about this, Junzhi will send Laura the information**

- Karin: we should agree on our standards; then we can have an educational meeting- but a forum will not need this or can be used to talk about this
- Michael: invite people from places where people are working on these standards and have experience in what the process of implementing standards is like. Will need carefully worded email to find people who would be interested in participating
  - GitHub or Discourse conversations?

#### Standards

- Bert: what are we suggesting “Open” means in Open Modeling Foundation? What are our standards?
- Michael: we have basic text made previously, but maybe we need to revisit as a first step for working groups. Once we approve the text in the Executive Committee, we can put it on the website.
  - Fair for RS- does not mean open source or open access, where does OMF stand?
- Takuya: identify focused areas of purpose; capability maturity model for categorizing how mature your processes are- what level do you need to be at for your purpose? Prefer flexible view
- Bert: what is a model and how accessible- what do we consider “in-scope” for us
- Michael: how does that articulate with our higher mission?
- Certification
- Confirmation vote for co-chairs

- Cyberinfrastructure report
  - Not much to report on
  - Upgrading Hugo- fixed some display issues
  - We do not have money for cyberinfrastructure in the Sloan grant- we do need to find this in some way. If anyone knows anyone who wants to volunteer their time for this?

- Any other business
  - Whole Tale- entire research workflow in one package
  - Anyone interested in presenting on something similar for the team working on this?
  - [https://wholetale.org/](https://wholetale.org/)
  - Collaboration instead of competition- we should team up to make a greater influence in the field

- Sending out emails to working groups
  - Send out logo to everyone so same branding is available to everyone- share dropbox with everyone
  - Also have letterhead in LibreOffice and MS Word

- Next meeting in December!