DDI Alliance Executive Board Meeting 19 December 2018

Present: Bill Block, Maggie Levenstein, Jared Lyle, Steve McEachern, Barry Radler

Open Letter Response

The Board discussed its ongoing draft response to the Open Letter and decided it is very hard to define a single position. The Board decided to issue a brief response to acknowledge receipt and discussion, as well as to acknowledge the need for broader discussion among the community. The current draft response can serve as a framework for a community discussion paper circulated in early 2019.

Revenue Generation and Resourcing

The Board discussed funding opportunities from NSF and NIH, as well as from the German Research Foundation and the French National Research Agency.

The Board discussed the need to make the case to funders that DDI will help achieve their interests. For the NIH opportunity, as a next step, Barry will query participants of his recent NIA workshop and ask how many are using DDI. Several studies are using DDI and it would be useful to make funder leadership aware of the user base. We have to make case to funders that DDI will help them achieve their interests.