**Arden Syntax Work Group**

**Call Minutes**

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**Attendance**: **Jeroen De Bruin** (jb@medexter.com), **Robert Jenders** (jenders@ucla.edu, presiding)

1. CDS Big Picture IG
   1. The revised PSS was submitted previously to the SSD SD and revised in accordance with discussion therein. Per HL7 staff today (Anne Wizauer), for some reason this was not forwarded to the TSC review and approval, so she will do this today.
   2. Jeroen Bruin had his students write essays regarding various CDS-related standards. He will compile these data for discussion at the WGM in New Orleans, inclusion in the IG and extension as a journal publication.
   3. **Action item**: Work on the IG in New Orleans [Jenders].
2. Arden Syntax v3.0
   1. Cochair Peter Haug met with the FHIR Management Group to discuss the issues they raised when the revised PSS (which revision deals solely with extending the timeline into the future to allow for further development of FHIR as a possible standard data model for the Arden Syntax). They recommended publishing v3 of Arden initially as a STU to allow for reference to FHIR as a standard data model before it becomes normative; making the CDS WG a cosponsor in part to address potential overlap or redundancy among knowledge representation standards; and include a brief reference to material now planned for the CDS Big Picture IG explaining the circumstances in which one would use Arden as opposed to other mechanisms for implementing CDS.
   2. **Action item**: Discuss at New Orleans WGM [entire WG].
3. Arden Syntax IG R3
   1. The new PSS has not been completed yet.
   2. Jeroen De Bruin’s students wrote descriptive essays about parts of the current Arden standard that can be folded into the IG.
   3. **Action items**:Prepare and circulate the new PSS in advance of discussion at the New Orleans WGM [Harrison].
4. Arden Syntax Certification Program
   1. At the time of the penultimate call, Jenders circulated the test template to the Arden Syntax WG listserv in order to solicit test items from WG members, but no items were received in the ensuing 2 weeks.
   2. **Action item**: Start composing test items as a group at the New Orleans WGM at the end of January, 2018.
5. Possible New Investigative Project: Expression Language Harmonization
   1. **Action item**: Devote 1 quarter at the New Orleans WGM to discuss this, with Peter Haug delivering a presentation outlining some of the possibilities.
6. Next meeting: 29 January 2018 all day (0900-1700 CST [1000-1800]) at the New Orleans WGM.