

Regarding the Handbook topic "2.2.1. Open meeting rules (Bagley-Keene)," the process of doing the annual report planning and writing entirely within the confines of bilateral communications seems to me to be awkward and inefficient, and not entirely consistent with the spirit of "open meeting rules". I would think a more practical approach would be for the committee to conduct its business through some type of online public forum, which would have a defined agenda and time frame, and which could be called a "meeting". Committee members could communicate openly with the full group through the forum, and interested public stakeholders could be notified of postings and would be able to post public comments. Would something like that be possible and practicable?

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