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## Editor's Note

This issue ends my five year term as editor of *WPA*. Beginning with Volume 12 the journal returns to Utah State University, a long time friend and supporter of the National Council of Writing Program Administration. Christine Hult, the new editor, brings a new perspective and wide range of administrative experience to the journal. Two of her articles have appeared between our covers (Volumes 8 and 10) and contributed immensely to the success of each of those issues. Under Chris's editorship we can expect the quality of the journal to increase as she voices the Council's professional concerns through her editorials and shapes the nature of writing program administration through her editorial policies. We are, indeed, fortunate to have Christine Hult as the new editor of *WPA*.

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Bill Smith