

**Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section  
Minutes of Incoming Board Meeting  
AALL Annual Meeting, St. Louis, Mo.  
July 2006, 5:15 p.m.**

Present: Suzanne Thorpe, Chair; Michelle Wu, Vice Chair/Chair-Elect; Michael Slinger, Immediate Past Chair; Carol Bredemeyer, Executive Board Member\*

**1. Call to Order** – Suzanne Thorpe

The meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m.

**2. Business Meeting**

A discussion of the ALL-SIS Business Meeting, held on July 9, 2006 took place. The ALL-SIS budget has the funds to invite more than one person to be the Section's VIP and the Board should be to identify individuals to invite to future meetings.

**3. New Orleans Open Forum**

No one attended the ALL-SIS Open Forum on program ideas for the 2007 Annual Meeting. Board members were asked to think of program ideas geared to ALL-SIS members.

**4. Education Committee**

ALL-SIS needs to establish an education committee to work with the newly hired AALL Education Manager, Celeste Smith. The Committee, which should be called something along the lines of the Alternative Program Task Force, will be charged with getting a sense of what types of programs are needed by ALL-SIS members and develop grant proposals to submit to AALL for regional and online programs. It was suggested that there be a listserv discussion on the educational needs of section members and that rejected program proposals from prior years be reviewed and revived. It was also suggested that the new committee should look at the types of programs that could be held at different venues. Suzanne Thorpe is to develop a charge for the committee.

**5. Strategic Plan**

The ALL-SIS Strategic Plan is in need of updating. It must also be brought into conformance with the AALL Mission Statement and AALL Strategic Directions. Senior ALL-SIS members, familiar with AALL, including former ALL-SIS Board members, should be involved in updating the Plan, along with possibly one newer member. Michelle Wu agreed to work on updating the Plan.

## **6. Career Development Task Force**

It was suggested that ALL-SIS may need to form a Career Development Task Force to assist members in this area. The Section should possibly sponsor a breakfast or roundtable for non-managerial librarians who want to advance in their careers without necessarily entering management. Possible program ideas for non-managerial librarians include cross-training, interacting with faculty, and interacting with law students.

## **7. Committee Liaisons**

Board members were assigned to serve as liaison to ALL-SIS committees as follows:

Suzanne Thorpe: ALL-SIS Listserv, Continuing Education Task Force, Local Arrangements, Newsletter, Program, Strategic Directions Task Force, Website.

Michelle Wu: Bylaws, Collection Development, CONALL/Mentoring, Relations with Online Vendors.

Michael Slinger: Awards, Directors' Breakfast, Membership.

Carol Bredemeyer: Continuing Status/Tenure, Faculty Services, Middle Managers' Breakfast.

Linda Ryan: CALI, Legal Research, Nominations, Public Relations, Sourcebook for Teaching Legal Research, Statistics.

## **8. Public Relations**

A new Section brochure has to be done, as well as a general review of the Section's marketing literature. There should also be some consideration given to putting PDFs of various section flyers on the website.

## **9. ALL-SIS Reception**

The reception, held at the Washington University-St. Louis Law School was a great success.

## **Conference Call**

The Board's first conference call will be scheduled by Suzanne Thorpe for some time in September.

## **10. Adjournment**

Suzanne Thorpe adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Ryan, Secretary/Treasurer

\*Carol Bredemeyer left at approximately 6:00 p.m.