

## **ALL-SIS Executive Board**

### **Teleconference Board Meeting 13 December 2011**

#### **Minutes**

Present: Kumar Jayasuriya, Leah Sandwell-Weiss, Debora Person and Edward Hart.

1. Minutes of Board meetings of 18 November 2011 approved.

2. VIP's for 2012 AALL in Boston

Bryan Garner – who is invited to speak at the Business Meeting – expenses to be reimburse

Maureen O'Rourke – who is invited to say welcome to Boston at Reception

3. Middle Managers' Program

Approve committee Chair to obtain formal quote for Boston Improv to provide workshop. Estimate is \$3,000. Discussion to raise program fee from current \$25 discussed but no decision reached.

4. Grants for 2011-2012

Approved by the Board:

Two stimulus grants each for \$1,000 for an ALL-SIS member to attend AALL

Two CONELL grants each for \$500 for an ALL-SIS member to attend CONELL

Research support grant of \$2,500 – details to be worked to award by 2012 AALL – with winners presenting continuing education program in 2012-13. Will request Continuing Education Committee take charge of this grant.

5. Program Committee approved to use AALL vendor for recording ALL-SIS sponsored programs at 2012 AALL.

6. Board approves establishment of Task Force on Scholarly Communications. See charge in appendix. Michele Pearse appointed as chair.

7. ALL-SIS sponsored programs for 2012 AALL amended to only one program:

A Teachable Moment: The Relevance of Results

8. ALL-SIS requests Program Committee to work toward establishing co-sponsorship with RIPS-SIS of the program Riding Solo: Legal Research Competencies for the Solo Practitioner

9. Fall Newsletter posted.

10. Board supports the Chair in holding discussions with Program Committee and other interested parties to put on standalone workshop Budgeting 101. This is based on the workshop proposal prepared and submitted by Kathleen McLeod for 2012 AALL that was AMPC did not accept.

9. Next meeting is set for Friday 13 January 2012 at 11:00 a.m. Eastern time

Appendix:

Charge to Task Force on Scholarly Communications

Faculty Services Committee - Feedback on Task Force on Scholarly Communications

The committee supports the formation of the Scholarly Communications Task Force with the following additional recommendations.

Recommendations:

1. "Scholarly Communications" – is a broad, buzz-wordy description, but does not actually describe some of the work described in the potential projects/outcomes. For example, the idea to "web archive" issues related to "born digital content" takes it outside of the realm

of what is considered, “scholarly communications”, so we recommend more focus, or a different name for the task force.\*\*

2. We do not want efforts to be duplicated. There is a great starting point with other organizations like ARCL and statements specific to legal information like the Durham Statement. Many university libraries are working on implementing policies with regard to digital preservation of scholarly content as well. We don’t need to start from scratch. It would be better to already work with existing information that is available and have a more focused and defined mission.
3. Included in any report should be a section dedicated to what law schools are doing with data sets as a part of their digital repositories.
4. The faculty services committee would like to have the ability to appoint one or two representatives to serve on the task force. This individual(s) would serve as a liaison with the faculty services committee and represent the views of the Faculty Services Committee.

\*\* One member of the committee provided a more specific directed focus for the Task Force that could look like this:

- 1) Identify the most significant scholarly communication issues in the legal academy and law libraries;
- 2) develop/recommend actions/projects to build dialog on scholarly communications issues, to educate law librarians and faculty on the relevant issues, and to increase dialog between authors and publishers on author agreements;
- 3) build connections with other groups (e.g., ALA, ACRL, repository managers) on SC issues.

The committee thus, just recommends more focus to the work of the committee. Right now, as written, it appears too broad and too likely to replicate work being done more effectively by other groups and organizations. With a more specific, tailored focus, we think that this task force could make a tremendously useful contribution to ALL-SIS members.