ALL-SIS EB Meeting

February 12, 2018

1. Meeting called to order.

2. Motion to approve January minutes: approved.

3. Treasurer’s update:
   a. No additional financial information from AALL, which is as expected.
   b. The Awards committee has chosen three recipients for this year’s Leadership Academy grant; Genevieve has been in touch with them and Paula Davidson to make the grant disbursements.

4. Strategic Plan.
   a. The Board unanimously approved the plan by email after last month’s meeting.
   b. Distribution plan: Amanda will send PDF of final document to webmaster Ellen Augustiniak for posting on the website, and to I-Wei Wang for the Newsletter. We can then distribute link via the Social Media committee and the MyCommunities listserv.

5. Website Migration.
   a. The migration is happening now. Our SIS will now be in the new SIS space that AALL is creating on AALLNET.
   b. Anna spoke with Chris Siwa as to whether there would be a shared workspace-type capability for collaborating on documents. He confirms that there will not be such a space, so we’ll need to continue using third-party solutions.

   a. Follow up from our last meeting. Caroline has a call scheduled with Nicole Dyzslewski and Meg Kribble for 2/28 to share concerns about messaging and transparency.
   b. In the last special committee meeting, Prano mentioned our concerns that AALL is not representing our needs, and that was reflected in other people’s comments as well.
   c. The LLNE have also considered weighing in on this issue. AALL’s top-down management style has been off-putting; people are interested in seeing more about the financial decisions are being made, more communication about rationales.

7. The special task force examining AALL’s funding of law librarian representation at ALA’s cataloging committees has been collecting testimonials about the importance of law librarian participation. A meeting is scheduled for this week and they plan to have a draft report soon.
   a. The task force surveyed other professional library associations, and only one other one is paying for its reps (ATLA, the American Theological Library Association). Other specialty groups (music libraries; medical libraries) are not subsidizing their reps to attend ALA for committee work.

8. Annual Meeting:
   a. We received $5,000 for the All-Members Breakfast from LexisNexis. We are still hoping to receive sponsorship for the Middle-Managers’ Breakfast. Caroline has sent our preliminary menu choices to AALL.
   b. We are still waiting to hear from Local Arrangements on speakers/programming for the breakfasts and menu choices for the reception.

9. Elections: The nominations committee has assembled a slate of candidates for the Secretary/Treasurer and Chair-Elect positions; Genevieve has reached out to each candidate to
collect their candidate statements and bios. The election must begin by April 1 and conclude by April 25. As April 1 is a Sunday this year, the plan is to open the election on March 26 and run it through April 25. Genevieve will initiate the election process with AALL on Feb. 26, as they require 30-days advance notice.

10. Anna will begin filling committees for next year soon. Caroline is sharing the survey templates and rosters. ALL-SIS has a Survey Monkey account that we’ve used in past years for this purpose.

11. The Research & Scholarship committee asked for advice on how to formalize their consideration of research grant applications.
   a. They might want to reach out to the chair of the Awards Committee and/or the AALL awards and juries coordinators. Whatever process they choose should be written down and ideally shared on the new website for the benefit of future committees and applicants.

12. Our next meeting will likely happen in the latter half of March.

13. Adjourned