

ALL-SIS EB Meeting

August 9, 2018

1. Meeting called to order.
2. June minutes will be circulated via email for review and approval*
3. Old business
 - a. Funding the cataloging liaison survey
<https://community.aallnet.org/communities/community-home/digestviewer/viewthread?GroupId=13&MessageKey=550d27ef-89df-4222-9462-16c012a6a89f&CommunityKey=9ed1a069-1850-4c58-8c14-fcc14f3c6700&tab=digestviewer&ReturnUrl=%2fcommunities%2fcommunity-home%2fdigestviewer%3fcommunitykey%3d9ed1a069-1850-4c58-8c14-fcc14f3c6700%26tab%3ddigestviewer>
 - i. Only got 169 responses
 - ii. Our bylaws don't address this type of survey (they only address bylaws changes) but Genevieve suggested following bylaws changes rules, which requires a majority; we are nowhere near that – we would need over 600 people to vote
 1. Caroline Osborne: moved to accept the survey/vote taken after the June meeting to fund OBS as an advisory vote in which ~95% of those who voted voted “yes”
 - a. Here is what was surveyed/voted on: 1. We, the membership of ALL-SIS, agree that funding the liaisons to the ALA cataloging boards is an important issue to academic law libraries and hereby give the ALL-SIS board permission to allocate \$750 for the fiscal year 2018-2019.
 - b. We, the membership of ALL-SIS, agree that funding the liaisons to the ALA cataloging boards is an important issue to academic law libraries and hereby give the ALL-SIS board permission to allocate no more than \$1,000 per fiscal year to fund these positions as needed and at the board's discretion.
 2. Amanda Runyon seconded the motion
 3. Everyone voted “yea;” No abstentions, no “nos”
 4. Motion passes
 - b. Endorsement of ALLStAR - draft language from Anna Lawless-Collins
 - i. Metrics are an incredibly useful tool in our current environment; they are indispensable as law libraries compare ourselves to our peers, benchmark our collections and services, and show our value to our stakeholders. In 2018, the ALL-SIS Statistics Committee voted to endorse ALLStAR as the official data collection platform of ALL-SIS for several reasons.
 1. Over 70% of academic law libraries already subscribe to ALLStAR. This widespread adoption indicates a strong need by academic law libraries to access law library data across universities in a centralized platform for external benchmarking and/or their own internal assessment.

ALLStAR is currently the only available platform that fulfills this function. Endorsement by ALL-SIS as its official data collection platform will hopefully increase participation in ALLStAR and result in higher quality and more robust data being available to all users in the platform, as essential data points will be entered each year by participating libraries. More thorough participation by academic libraries means more useful data for everyone.

2. ALLStAR has reliable technical and human infrastructure for growth and continued operation. It's built on Counting Opinions' LibPAS interface (which is also used by ACRL to support their ACRLMetrics initiative), has a well-established user base and support model, and is ADA compliant. ALLStAR is supported by NELLCO, has a dedicated project manager (Bob Dugan, an expert on library metrics), and an active Advisory Board of enthusiastic librarians from academic law libraries around the country.
 3. ALLStAR is currently working on an official annual ALLStAR survey that includes all the mandatory questions from national surveys (USNWR, ACRL, ARL) as well as a selection of additional questions that are most relevant to academic law libraries. This is a tremendous opportunity for academic law libraries to define for themselves what metrics are valuable and have access to a storehouse of consistent, useful data about academic law libraries over time.
 - ii. ALLStAR's current functionality and future directions align with the requirements that the ALL-SIS Statistics Committee identified for such a platform in discussions with the academic law library community. Widespread participation in ALLStAR will allow libraries to have a consistent baseline over time to compare to peers or use for internal assessment for both questions on mandatory national surveys (ARL, ACRL, IPEDS, USNWR, etc.) as well as other relevant data points libraries are interested in gathering. ALLStAR will continue to change and improve over time, but even now it provides a powerful tool for academic law libraries as we work to gather and compare data. ALL-SIS looks forward to partnering with the ALLStAR Advisory Board as we move forward towards further adoption and improvement of the platform.
 - c. Per Caroline Osborne: the language will go on ALLStAR website as they requested the endorsement; she will include it in her annual report, and Anna Lawless-Collins will include it in the letter from the ALL-SIS President
4. New business
- a. Goals for this year
 - i. Action plan based on strategic plan
 1. Look at the AALL action plan for structure ideas
 - ii. Collaboration with other SISes – ideas?
 1. Puerto Rico's law library lost the Puerto Rico statutes in Maria; suggestion to work with the SR-SIS to get copies down to them (Susan DeMaine possible head for this initiative)

2. Task the education committee with working with other SIS education committees to put programming together for the year (example: work with the TS-SIS on a project management program)
 3. Have our Legal Research & Sourcebook committee work with the corresponding RIPS committee
 4. Other ideas?
 - a. ALL-SIS scholarship committee working with RIPS, PEGA-SIS Beer & Edits committee webinar collaboration
- iii. Collaboration among committees
1. Advertise our members more like RIPS does; get folks to communicate with PR & Marketing
 2. Internal collaboration on educational opportunities
 3. Other ideas?
 - a. Teach the Teacher conference (RIPS) – possible financial support from ALL-SIS (travel grant, food)
 - b. Leadership management conference partnership – mentors?
 - c. Partner on special tracks (e.g., potential directors meeting, pre-conference workshop with three tracks: job talks, resumes, a third category)
 - d. Next steps: possible contacts to move this forward include the ALL-SIS programs committee, AMPC (if this is an official pre-conference workshop), roundtables at AALL (typically put on by committees)
 - e. Lisa Goodman will spearhead how to approach these ideas, particularly mid-management programming or partnering (perhaps) on director programming. Timeline: AALL 2020 if not 2019 in D.C.
 - f. Caroline Osborne will reach out to Kristina Niedringhaus regarding the RIPS Teach the Teacher workshop to explore partnerships
 - g. Everyone else will consider other partnership opportunities with leadership academy (beyond mentoring and travel grants) – maybe mentor support?
- iv. Evaluate our committee structure – Anna proposes to put together a committee on committees, possibly
1. Goal: send a formal proposal on new committees/task forces to the membership for a vote. The committee/task force would have a fairly narrow charge
 2. Per Amanda Runyon, survey results suggest there is some membership dissatisfaction with the number of committees, the fact that some have very long terms when perhaps a task force model would be better, and the number of people on committees
 3. Per Caroline Osborne: Prano Amjadi did this 2 or 3 years ago, and it is worth revisiting

4. Amanda Runyon will start this process
- v. Improve workflows/communication/knowledge retention
 1. Dropbox, Box
 2. New AALL system has doc storage but not internal editing.
 3. Caroline Osborne proposal: each year's ALL-SIS president can scrape from Box/Dropbox most meaningful docs and post to AALL
- vi. Other goals from the board
 1. No
- b. Planning for the 2019 Annual Meeting
 - i. ALL-SIS program? Lisa is the AMPC liaison; submissions to IdeaScale
 - ii. Changes to meetings
 1. Continue to have Middle Manager's Breakfast and Director's Breakfast
 2. Talk to committees about roundtables
 3. Combine reception with member's breakfast; hold at hotel rather than off-site
 - a. Do we still want a speaker for this if it's more of a reception?
 - b. Next steps: the local arrangements committee should choose either a breakfast with a speaker or a reception, likely a breakfast. If they do a reception, it's best to make it close (i.e., a two-minute walk) from the conference site
- c. Other new business?
 - i. No.

* June minutes were reviewed and approved via email.

Adjourned at 1:57

Respectfully submitted: Ingrid Mattson