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OVERVIEW

The Computing Services SIS (CS-SIS) had a great year in 2016-17. The Board met regularly and kept everything humming, members worked diligently on committees to provide great resources to our members, and we provided an excellent slate of small-group and large-group activities for the Annual Meeting. At the end of April 2017, CS has 398 members, 8 committees, and 47 active members on those committees.

ANNUAL MEETING

CS had a banner Annual Meeting!

ROUND TABLES

The Board decided to expand the opportunities members have to connect with each other, so instead of just one Round table event, we sponsored three. Each were well attended, so we'll likely continue this in the future. The Recruitment and Involvement Committee coordinated:

Sunday, 7/16/17 12:45 pm: Collaboration: Librarians Sharing Their Coding Knowledge (facilitated by Thomas Drueke)

Sunday, 7/16/17 5:15 pm: Utilizing Instructional Technology in the Classrooms (facilitated by Debbie Ginsberg)

Monday, 7/17/17 3:30 pm: Digitization Initiatives and Building Institutional Repositories (facilitated by Nick Szydowski)

POSTER

AALL has moved from a 'table' to a 'poster' experience in the Exhibit Hall. This year, the Outreach committee did a fabulous job of creating a great poster experience. They created a poster that we can re-use for years to come but is flexible enough to add new material to. They asked members to contribute photos of themselves for visual interest and fun, and created a selfie space for members to "See Yourself in CS." The Recruitment and Involvement Committee was chaired by Mark Popielarski and the poster was created by Tawnya Plumb.

PROGRAMS



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In addition to the Roundtables, CS members organized another great Cool Tools Café educational program. We lost funding for the Alphabet Soup Reception this year, but the SIS's involved put together some dine-arounds for members to meet up. And as always, Karaoke with Ken was a major hit! CS members are always heavily involved in the programming at large for AALL. This year, CS members presented in 24 different programs at the Annual Meeting.

BUSINESS MEETING

We had great attendance at the CS Breakfast and Business Meeting with forty-three members and sponsors attending. We all enjoyed breakfast and a short business meeting followed by the passing of the Beanie.

AWARDS AND GRANTS COMMITTEE

Vicki Szymczak, Library Director & Associate Professor of Law at the University of Hawaii, was the 2017 recipient of the CS-SIS Kenneth J. Hirsh Distinguished Service Award.

The Kenneth J. Hirsh Distinguished Service Award honors a CS-SIS member who has made outstanding contributions to the SIS, to AALL, and who is well regarded for their service to the profession. The inaugural award recipient was Ken Hirsh, in whose honor the award is named.

Vicki has been an active member of both CS-SIS and AALL. She has served on the CS board as both President (2008-2009) and Secretary/Treasurer (2003-2007). In AALL, Vicki currently serves on the Copyright Committee. Vicki regularly presents and moderates programs about topics relevant to CS members at the AALL Annual meeting. In all she does, Vicki is known as an enthusiastic and generous member of our community.

CS also awarded four Annual Meeting Grants.

Three for experienced librarians:

- Elizabeth Outler, Head of Technical Services, Barry University School of Law Library
- Deborah Ginsberg, Educational Technology Librarian, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law
- Hadi Amjadi, Systems Librarian, Golden Gate University

One for students & new librarians:



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- Jonathan Germann, Digital Services Librarian, Georgia State University College of Law Library

The Grants & Awards Committee was chaired by Jean Willis.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

This year, the CS Education Committee worked to make some of CS's signature content available to AALL as a whole. They created a YouTube channel for CS, recorded presentations of the tools presented in our Cool Tools Café. The videos were sent out over the course of the year to keep members interested in fresh content. The Education Committee was chaired by Kristopher Turner.

BLOG COMMITTEE

After much planning on how to make it run, the Blog Committee has the CS blog up and going! Find new blog content at <http://blog.cssis.org/>.

OFFICERS

The following served as officers for the year: Chair: Cindy Bassett, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Jessica de Perio Wittman, Secretary/Treasurer: Kara Young, Members-At-Large: Patrick Butler and Alex Berrio Matamoros, and Immediate Past-Chair: Kincaid C. Brown. Incoming officers for the next year will include Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Tawnya Plumb, Secretary/Treasurer: Jonathan Germann, and Member-At-Large: Mari Cheney.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Bassett, CS Chair, 2016-17