



LEGAL INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY SPECIAL INTEREST SECTION

LEGAL INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY SIS ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

ANNUAL MEETING

The Legal Innovation and Technology SIS (LIT-SIS) business meeting will be held virtually after the AALL Annual Meeting on August 5th, 2022. LIT-SIS award winners will be recognized during the virtual LIT-SIS Annual Meeting. Our Annual Meeting Program Planning Committee, led by Rebecca Fordon, submitted a proposal for our annual Cool Tools programming, which was accepted by the AMPC and will be held on Sunday, July 17th. Other activities at the in-person annual meeting will include representation at the CONELL marketplace, a poster in the exhibit hall, and a members-only microbrew tour.

DIGITIZATION AND EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Chair: Maggie Kiel-Morse

The DET Committee met twice and participated in a joint meeting with the Education Committee. The Committee edited the DET material on the website, including writing/posting the committee charge. In addition, we gathered the information for the DET Archive, including previous DET-SIS sponsored programs at the AALL Annual Meeting.

The Committee Charge: The Digitization & Educational Technology Committee is charged with maintaining a place for gathering and sharing information about the preservation of materials through digitization, and promoting/supporting the use of educational technology and audiovisual production/presentation.

Looking to the future: we will continue to collaborate with the Education Committee to plan joint programs for 2022-2023 on the following topics: 1) How-To Tips & Techniques for Creating Audio & Video Content with an emphasis on accessibility/captioning features; 2) Managing hybrid learning/meetings (brief presentation and then roundtable with tips, troubleshooting, addressing various budgets). We will also continue to add material to the DET Archive.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chair: Laura Ray

The LIT Education Committee was formed in September 2021 and is charged to create educational opportunities for members outside the AALL Annual Meeting on topics such as new technologies,



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technology use in libraries, and adaptive technologies. We met to create lists of potential program topics and program formats and collaborations and eventually the Board approved two programs: “How-To Tips & Techniques for Creating Audio & Video Content” and “Managing Hybrid Learning/Meetings.” Contact has been made with the RIPS Online Training Committee Chair (Melissa Strickland) about a potential collaboration but we have not yet been able to arrange a meeting for substantive discussion.

Going forward, we have plans to host both Board-approved programs on Zoom and would like to recruit at least one additional volunteer to work on each program.

GRANTS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

Chair: Marin Dell

The Grants and Awards Committee recognized the contributions to LIT-SIS of Kincaid Brown with the 2022 Kenneth J. Hirsh Distinguished Service Award. Having received no applications for the AALL LIT-SIS Grant for Students and New Librarians category, two experienced LIT-SIS members were awarded the LIT-SIS AALL Grant for Experienced Librarians. The two LIT-SIS members are Chi Song and Darla Jackson, who each received a grant of \$1500 to attend the meeting in Denver. There were no applications for the ABA TechShow Travel Grant and no grants were awarded this year.

JOBS DESCRIPTION DATABASE COMMITTEE

Chair: Julie Tedjeske Crane

We held several meetings to discuss the setup of the database. We are still in the process of adding a backlog of descriptions to the database and developing a set of procedures moving forward. We hope to have a working database within the next few months. The current version of the database can be found here: <https://csjddb.classcaster.net/>.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Chair: Kincaid Brown

I would like to thank the Committee of Chris Collins, Iantha Haight, Darla Jackson, and Tawnya Plumb for the successful completion of our work, thus far. We successfully were able to collect enough nominations for a full slate of candidates for the open positions in the LIT-SIS election. After the LIT-SIS election was held, Brian Huffman was elected Vice-Chair and Dinah Minkoff was elected Member-at-Large.



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RECRUITMENT AND INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE

Chair: Brian Huffman

The LIT Recruitment & Involvement committee consisted of Brian Huffman (Chair), Susan Boland, Ken Hirsh, and Daniel Bell. The committee hosted a virtual coffee on March 18, 2022. Twenty-three were in attendance. We had new and seasoned members attending. A door prize was presented to Nichelle Perry. The committee selected swag for the annual conference (bottle opener/light key chain) and hosted a contest for the new banner we need after our name change. A schedule was created so someone will be present at the exhibit hall poster board during the annual conference. Our new banner and swag will promote the section. Thanks to all who volunteered a shift (or two). Mari Cheney assisted in locating volunteers to represent LIT-SIS at CONELL. Their efforts are greatly appreciated.

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chair: Sarah Gotschall

The 2021-2022 LIT-SIS Strategic Planning Committee members were Sarah Gotschall (chair), Kincaid Brown, Marin Dell, Casey Hatton, Maggie Kiel-Morse, Tawyna Plumb, Laura Ray, and Michael Robak. After researching different approaches to strategic planning and implementation, the committee updated the strategic plan for 2022 - 2024 which was submitted to the LIT-SIS Board for approval. In addition, we updated the committee procedures manual to assist future committee work.

OFFICERS

The 2021-22 Executive Board included Chair: Mari Cheney; Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Will Monroe; Secretary/Treasurer: Chelsey McKimmy; Members-at-Large: Kenton Brice and Tanya Thomas; and Immediate-Past Chair: Amanda Watson.

The 2022-23 Executive Board will be Chair: Will Monroe; Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Brian Huffman; Secretary/Treasurer: Chelsey McKimmy; Members-at-Large: Tanya Thomas and Dinah Minkoff; and Immediate-Past Chair: Mari Cheney.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mari Cheney, LIT-SIS Chair, 2021-22