

Minutes of the OBS-SIS Annual Business Meeting
Monday, July 20, 2015, Philadelphia, PA

OBS Chair Karen Selden called the official meeting to order at approximately 4:45 p.m.

Business Meeting minutes of July 2014 were approved.

Officer Reports:

Treasurer/Secretary – Melanie Cornell: OBS-SIS net meeting expenses for 2014 were \$3070.47. Membership fees received 2014-15 totaled to \$2345.00. We started 2014-15 with a balance of \$4924.66, spent \$3095.51, received \$3847.92, and ended with \$4827.07 as of June 30, 2015.

Members-at-Large – Jennifer Noga (2014-2015), Barbara Ginzburg (2014-2016): Jennifer thanked everyone who manned the 2015 OBS-SIS exhibit hall table and credited Katrina Piechnik and Jacki Magagnosc for its set-up. The TS/OBS/RIPS/CS-SIS Joint Reception was well attended.

Vice Chair – Marjorie Crawford: Marjorie worked with Patricia Sayre-McCoy and Jackie Magagnosc to create the joint OBS and TS BIBFRAME program proposal for the 2015 AALL Annual Meeting. The proposal was accepted and the program will be held as a “deep dive” program on Tuesday afternoon.

Chair – Karen Selden:

The OBS Education Committee for the 2015 AALL Annual Meeting in Philadelphia assisted with proposing seven programs and three of those proposals were accepted. Sunday afternoon’s *Google Analytics: Using the Software, Using the Data* was well received, and the audience for Monday morning’s *Striking a Balance in Your Library: TMI vs. TLI in the Catalog* was almost a full house. *BIBFRAME: How Did We Get Here and Where Are We Going?* (co-sponsored with TS-SIS) is scheduled as a deep-dive during the last 2 programming slots of the conference. In addition, the OBS Board agreed to self-sponsor and pay for an additional program during the OBS Local Systems Committee timeslot on Monday afternoon: *Migrating to Open Source: Koha and Kuali OLE in Law Libraries*. The OBS Education Committee also assisted OBS member Sarah Morris Lin with proposing a two-part User-Friendly Library Websites webinar for inclusion in AALL’s 2015 Monthly Educational Webinars series. Thanks to sponsorship from Wolters Kluwer Law & Business, these webinars were broadcast free of charge to AALL members in March and April 2015.

In the fall of 2014, the Task Force to Revise the Procedures and Guidelines of the OBS/TS Joint Research Grant submitted its final report to the OBS and TS Executive Boards. This report resulted in the creation of a new Guidelines document and a web-based application form. The contest to rename the grant ended in June 2015, resulting in the new grant name of FROG (Funding Research Opportunities Grant).

In March 2015, The Executive Board of AALL voted to discontinue funding several representative positions, effective in July 2015. Among them were the three TS-SIS representatives who also serve the needs and interests of many OBS members: CC:DA, MAC, and SAC. With a groundswell of support from many TS and OBS members, the OBS and TS-SIS Executive Boards asked the AALL Executive Board to reconsider this decision. It was gratifying to see the AALL Executive Board reconsider and ultimately reverse their decision. During this process, the AALL Executive Board learned a lot about the important work that OBS and TS-SIS members accomplish. Additionally, OBS and TS-SIS members learned that we cannot take for granted that our non-technical services colleagues understand and value our contributions to our libraries, to AALL, and to librarianship in general. TS and OBS members should build on our momentum by continuing to: nominate and support AALL Executive Board members; serve on professional committees; craft quality programming for the AALL Annual Meeting; and write for *TSLI*, *Law Library Journal*, *Spectrum*, and other professional publications.

Karen also thanked Katrina Piechnik, and Jackie Magagnosc for staffing the OBS table at the 2015 CONELL Marketplace.

Committee Reports:

TSLI – Michael Maben: The *TSLI* report was sent out and will be posted to the *TSLI* website. Four issues were published on time, and there were some changes to the columnists and editorial staff during the year. Barbara Szalkowski completed her 2-year appointment to the Editorial Board—she has been serving on the Board since I became the editor-in-chief and I appreciate her support. Caitlyn Lam will be the new OBS representative on the Board. There were a number of guest articles and special reports during the year, but the March issue was the main event during the year with the response to the attempt by AALL to eliminate our representatives to the different library groups.

Education Committee (2016 Chicago) – Marjorie Crawford, Chair: The theme for 2016 is “Make It New.” The Education Committee will meet immediately following this meeting in the room next door, so please attend the meeting or let Marjorie know if you have any programming ideas.

Local Systems Committee – Kevin Carey, Chair: Karen Selden reported for Committee Chair Kevin Carey. The *Migrating to Open Source* program just prior to the Business meeting was well-attended. The speakers were honest about the pros and cons of the software and migration process. Historically the Local Systems Committee has sponsored a local systems round table at the AALL Annual Meeting, but in recent years that meeting slot has been used for OBS programming. This year the Local Systems Committee had a request to organize an ALMA round table, which Kevin did. Because of demand for these sorts of roundtable opportunities, the OBS Board and Local Systems Committee will probably want to reinstate the Local Systems Roundtable meeting for the 2016 and future AALL Annual Meetings.

2014-2015 Nominating Committee – Betty Roeske, Chair: Karen Selden reported for Committee Chair Betty Roeske. The Committee came up with two candidates for each of the three offices, resulting in a very successful election.

OCLC Committee – Jackie Magagnosc, Chair (2013-2015), Jason LeMay, Chair (2015-2017): Glenn Patton retired effective January 2015. The new presenter (*OBS-SIS OCLC Update 2015*) was interested and came prepared with a list of questions to ask attendees. Jason LeMay is taking over as Chair.

Web Advisory – Tim Knight, Chair (not at meeting) continues to be very responsive and busy.

New Business:

2016 OBS VIP Ideas: AALL will be in Chicago in 2016; since ALA is headquartered in Chicago, maybe this will give someone an idea for a Chicago-area choice for OBS-SIS VIP 2016.

Membership Decline – Recruiting Ideas? Several years ago we had approximately 300 members, where now we have closer to 230 members. OBS-SIS has evolved over time. We need to help potential members know better what OBS-SIS is, including considering a new name that is more self-evident, such as: SARD (Systems and Resource Discovery) or OSDR (Online Systems & Resource Discovery).

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Melanie Cornell, Secretary/Treasurer, 2015-2016 July 20, 2015