

**Online Bibliographic Services Special Interest Section  
2012 Annual Business Meeting  
Sunday July 22, 2012  
Boston, MA**

Chair Betty Roeske called the meeting to order at 12 Noon.

**Officers' Reports**

Secretary-Treasurer Barbara Szalkowski gave the elections and treasurer's report. Barbara summarized the written report (attached at the end of these minutes) that was distributed to members at the meeting. An online election was held March 1-15, 2012 using AALL's electronic voting software. 83 votes were cast from a pool of 296 eligible voters (a 28% return rate). The following were elected for the 2012-2013 term:

Vice Chair/Chair-Elect – Katrina Piechnik, Jenkins Law Library  
Member-at-Large – Corinne Jacox, Creighton University

As of March 31, 2012, the balance of the OBS account stood at \$7,485.38.

The minutes of the 2011 Business Meeting were approved as published in *TSSL* Vol. 36, no. 1 (September 2011).

Member-at-Large Karen Nuckolls (2010-2012) reported that the OBS brochure was updated to remove mention of the *TSSL* editor, and reported on the OBS activities table. The flashlight keychains purchased this year have a small piece of cardboard between the bulb and the battery that has to be removed before the flashlight will work. Marjorie Crawford will take the box of activities table items home after the meeting.

Member-at-Large Marjorie Crawford, Member-at-Large (2011-2013), reported on the Joint Reception, which took place on Saturday evening at an outdoor patio near the Pool and Fitness Center at the Sheraton, and was very well-attended. The event ran out of beverage tickets and cake before the end of the reception, and people were still talking while the tables were being removed.

Vice Chair/Chair-Elect Christina Tarr reported that she received 23 responses to the annual member survey. She also reported on the new structure for the AALL meeting in Seattle in 2013: SIS's are each limited to 10 Committee meetings and 1 SIS-sponsored program. There will also be no guaranteed program from each SIS from AMPC. Chris will post links to the AALL response to the Velvet Chainsaw Consultants (VCC) report and to the SIS responses on the OBS website.

Marjorie Crawford, representative to AMPC for 2013, reported that AMPC is hoping to have more programs that are collaborative, more team-learning as opposed to traditional lecture-format. There is a blog on AALLNET for the 2013 AMPC Education Program where members are encouraged to make comments, suggestions, etc.

Betty Roeske noted that the Guerrilla Usability Testing program only had approximately 10 empty chairs and people were taking notes. OBS supported 3 AMPC programs and 1 OBS program.

Betty Roeske represented OBS in the CONELL activities area. Approximately 35 people stopped by the OBS table, which provided copies of the OBS brochure and flashlight keychains.

## **TSLL Report**

Editor Virginia Bryant provided a written report. She noted that all 4 issues of Volume 37 were completed on time. Associate Editor Cindy May worked with Michele Thomas, who will take over as Associate Editor after the September conference issue. Virginia thanked Layout & Design Editor, Julie Stauffer and Web Manager Martin Wisneski for all of their excellent work. She noted that the TechScans blog has something new posted every week. New columnists included Karen Nuckolls, Collection Development; Mary Lippold, Management; Karen Selden, OCLC; Erin Harper joined Allison Rainey for the Private Law Libraries column; and Ashley Moye joined Robert Bratton for the Description and Access column. Currently all the columns are filled, but articles are always accepted. The HeinOnline contract will now be ongoing, as *TSLL* has completed the initial 3-year period. Contact Michelle Thomas if interested in the Editor-in-Chief job.

## **Committee Reports**

Chair Marjorie Crawford reported for the Local Systems Committee. Marshall Breeding will be speaking at the Roundtable program, "What Does the Next Generation System Look Like" at 1:15pm on Monday July 23. There will also be a User Groups program on RDA on Tuesday at 10:15am on Tuesday July 24.

Chair Pat Sayre McCoy reported for the Nominations Committee. The other Committee members were Chalmer Chatto of University of Miami, Pam Deemer of Emory University and Brian Striman of University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Pat reported that the Committee was able to secure four excellent candidates for the two position elections right away.

Chair Hollie White submitted a written report (found at the end of these minutes) for the Joint Research Grants Committee. The online application form for the website is pending. No one applied for the grant this year.

Chair Karen Selden reported for the OCLC Committee and her written report can be found at the end of these minutes. The OCLC Committee program will be Monday July 23 at 2:45pm, with Glenn Patton of OCLC speaking. Karen reported that with the AALLNET upgrade, you have to be an AALL member to post, so Glenn is sending his messages to Karen to post for him. The OCLC Committee now has its own community discussion list. Karen is also writing the *TSLL* OCLC column.

Chair Tim Knight reported for the Web Advisory Committee. Up to now work on the website has been more reactive than proactive. Tim has been in touch with members of the Board about refreshing/updating the whole site. There will be a new AALL platform sometime after the Annual Meeting/in the next few months. Tim hopes to be able to provide online forms on the new platform.

## **Chair's Remarks**

Outgoing Chair Betty Roeske said that the year had been eventful. She thanked Pat Sayre McCoy for sending a diplomatically-worded OBS response to the Velvet Chainsaw Consultants (VCC) report and presented Pat with a certificate and gift for her efforts. Betty also recognized outgoing Board members Kathy Faust and Karen Nuckolls for their service and presented them with tokens of appreciation. Betty then passed the OBS leadership cap to incoming chair Christina Tarr. Betty solicited pins from all the past OBS chairs to put on the hat, and the following responded with a pin: Jack Bissett, Washington & Lee; Georgia Briscoe, University of Colorado; Susan Goldner, University of Arkansas at Little Rock; Ismael Gullon, Emory University; Richard Jost, University of Washington; Mary Jane Kelsey, Yale Law School

(an explanation of the Yale Law School shield was printed from the Yale website and follows this report); Michael Maben, Indiana University; Pat Sayre McCoy, University of Chicago; Ellen McGrath, University of Buffalo; Betty Roeske, Katten Muchin Rosenman; Brian Striman, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Sally Wambold, University of Richmond. Betty asks that each future Chair add their own distinctive pin.

New Chair Christina Tarr announced the Committee Chairs for 2012-2013: Local Systems, Marjorie Crawford; Nominations, Kathy Faust; Joint Research Grant, Hollie White – Melanie Solon will continue as a member of this Committee and Merri Hartse will be a new member; OCLC, Karen Selden; Web Advisory, Tim Knight; *TSL* Representatives, Marilyn Nicely, Victoria Sukhol; MARBI Representative, Pat Sayre McCoy; SAC Representative, Ellen McGrath; Education, Christina Tarr.

The OBS Education Committee will meet Tuesday July 24 at 7:00am. The AMPC Open Forum will be 12 noon Monday July 23.

Christina is also looking for suggestions on the OBS VIP for the Annual Meeting in Seattle in 2013. Joseph James, MLIS professor in Spokane, WA, was suggested since he is close by and has written for *Library Journal* on technology issues.

Christina also announced that it is time to renew the OBS Strategic Plan. Chris and Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect Katrina Piechnik had a preliminary meeting and Katrina will serve as Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee. They are seeking more volunteers. Chris hopes to have a draft ready to present to the OBS membership at the Seattle meeting in 2013.

Chris adjourned the meeting at 1:10pm.

Respectfully submitted  
Barbara Szalkowski  
August 14, 2012