

Minutes of the OBS-SIS Executive Board Meeting (Outgoing)
Saturday, July 21, 2012, Boston, PA

Present: Corinne Jacox, Kathy Faust, Karen Nuckolls, Betty Roeske, Barbara Szalkowski

OBS Chair Betty Roeske called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report:

Secretary/Treasurer Barbara Szalkowski provided a printed Financial report and a printed Secretary/Treasurer report (amended to these minutes). The OBS account balance as of March 31, 2012 is \$7,485.38. The total 2011 Annual Meeting expenses were \$2,643.72. *(The original report given was as of 12/31/2011, but a subsequent 3/31/2012 statement was issued in June, and as there were no transactions covered by the 3/31/2012 statement, the date was amended.)*

Members-at-Large Reports:

Member-at-Large Karen Nuckolls reported on the revised **OBS brochure**, and on setting up the **OBS Activities Area Table**. She ordered 500 new flashlight keychains to supplement the few dozen left over from last year's meeting, and Member-at-Large Marjorie Crawford purchased the candy for the table. There will be a drawing for a \$25 Amazon gift card again this year. (A printed report follows.)

Vice-Chair's Report/2013 Education Committee Report:

Chair Betty Roeske reported for Vice-Chair Christina Tarr, speaking about the new annual meeting program model for 2013. With the limitation to only 10 Committee meetings for each SIS, OBS may want to consider combining the Outgoing and Incoming Board meetings.

2012 Education Committee Report:

Chair Betty Roeske reported for Education Committee Chair Christina Tarr that OBS had 3 sponsored programs accepted by AMPC:

- A-3:** Guerrilla Usability Testing
- D-1:** The Innovative Interfaces/SkyRiver vs. OCLC lawsuit: Who wins? Who Loses?
- K-5:** Modeling Subject Authority Data: FRSAD Overview and Implementation Examples

In addition, OBS self-sponsored a number of programs. The first was Janet Hedin's and Brian Striman's "Who Wants to Be an Acronymaire? The New Game Show for Law Librarians" on Sunday afternoon. This program was changed from a "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?" format to a "Jeopardy!" format. The second is the Hot Topic presentation by OBS VIP Marshall Breeding ("Are E-books the Future") on Monday morning. Some of the OBS Roundtables were billed as programs, which boosted interest and attendance: Local Systems Roundtable, "What Does the Next Generation System Look Like?" and OCLC Users Roundtable, both on Monday afternoon; and User Groups on RDA on Tuesday morning.

CONNELL:

Betty represented OBS at the CONELL Marketplace. She handed out the new OBS brochures as well as some of the flashlight keychains with the OBS name on them that were ordered as promotional

giveaways for the OBS Activities table. She said approximately 35 new librarians stopped by the OBS table and picked up materials.

Committee Reports

Local Systems: No report received.

Nominations: No report received.

OBS/TS Joint Research Grant: Chair Hollie White submitted a printed report (attached).

OCLC: Chair Karen Selden submitted a printed report (attached).

Web Advisory: No report received.

Awards

Betty reported that she had the plaque for Pat Sayre-McCoy and the gifts for the outgoing Board members.

Discussion Topics

Signs: Betty Roeske reported that she weeded out approximately 7 outdated signs from the OBS collection.

Archiving OBS Candidate Biographies and Statements: Barbara Szalkowski reported she got permission from most of the candidates from the 2010 and 2011 elections to publish their statements and will send those for the 2012 elections. Webmaster Tim Knight created the Candidate Statement Archive on the OBS website.

Other Topics

The Velvet Chainsaw Consultant (VCC) report on the annual meeting: Betty reported that the SIS Council Chair said that AALL is not planning on implementing all of the changes recommended by the report.

Strategic Plan. Betty Roeske met with Christina Tarr, Katrina Piechnik, and Ellen McGrath met to discuss updating the OBS Strategic Plan. Christina will be asking for recommendations/insights/examples and will form a Committee.

Betty requested reports on the breakfasts provided for the 7:00am meetings on Monday and Tuesday.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Barbara Szalkowski, Secretary/Treasurer, 2011-2013
July 27, 2012

OBS-SIS Financial Report
June 30, 2012
Submitted by: Barbara Szalkowski

Beginning balance (5/31/2011): **\$7,451.57**

Ending balance (12/31/2011): **\$7,485.38**

2010 Annual Meeting Expenses:

3 Nights of Housing for 2010 OBS VIP Janet Swan Hill \$ 754.56
Half of 2010 ALA Meeting Expenses for AALL MARBI \$ 269.35
Representative George Prager (Shared with TS-SIS)

TOTAL: **\$ 1,203.91**

2011 Annual Meeting Expenses:

New Event Signs for Display at AALL Annual Meetings \$ 106.92
4 @ \$26.73 each
OBS Activities Table supplies (candy, flashlights, \$25 gift card drawing) \$ 415.97
Shipping Activities Table Supplies to/from Philadelphia \$ 49.21
Food, Beverage & Room Rental for Alphabet Soup Reception \$ 861.06
At Maggiano's (OBS portion, shared equally with CS, RIPS & TS)
Convention Center Room Charge for OCLC Update 7/26/2011 \$ 95.00
A/V charges for OCLC Update program held 7/26/2011 \$ 298.08
Convention Center Room Charge for OBS Hot Topic program: \$ 102.06
Public-Technical-Systems Connection by Steven Bell, 7/25/2011
A/V charges for OBS Hot Topic program: Public-Technical-Systems \$ 74.52
Connection by Steven Bell, 7/25/2011
A/V charges for OBS Program: Emerging Technologies and the \$ 596.16
Library Manager (Richard Jost, coordinator) 7/24/2011
Honoraria for outgoing Board members \$ 146.80

TOTAL: **\$ 2,643.72**

2011 Annual Meeting Expense Offsets:

Innovative Interfaces, Inc.'s contributions for 2011 Alphabet Soup \$ 878.50
Reception (received Sept. 2011)

TOTAL 2011 ANNUAL MEETING EXPENSES: **\$ 1,765.22**

Income (6/1/11 to //12):

2011-2012 Dues (292 members @ \$10.00 each, \$ 2,925.00
1 unemployed member @ \$5.00 each)

Actual 2012 Expenses Not Yet Recorded:

500 Flashlight Keychain Giveaways for OBS Activities Table \$ 494.03

Shipping Supplies for OBS Activities Table to Boston	\$ 26.78
Honoraria	\$ 80.34

TOTAL: \$ 601.15

Estimated 2012 Expenses Not Yet Recorded:

Candy, shipping, misc.	approx. \$ 50.00
Possible TS/OBS Research Grant	approx. \$ 500.00
OBS-sponsored or co-sponsored non-AMPC programs (Depends upon A/V & room reservation costs of the venue; there will be some coffee and food expenses for early morning meetings.)	unknown

OBS-SIS Member-at-Large Report

As the senior Member-at-Large, I was responsible for making sure that our OBS brochure was revised (editor reference removed), and that the Activities table would be properly set up. To this end, I ordered keychain flashlights from ePromos (as was done last year) and has these sent to the proper warehouse outside of Boston for the exhibit area.

I also sent the "box of goodies" from last year on to the same destination. Since both were correctly labeled, I have checked and they were both delivered to the right address.

My successor, Marjorie Crawford, handled the purchase of candy and will take the box back with her for next year, as she drove to the conference. I also want to congratulate Marjorie on being selected as our rep to AMPC for 2013.

Karen Nuckolls

2011-2012 Joint Research Grant Committee Report

This year the Joint Research Grant Committee decided to expand its web presence by developing its own AALL Community page and attempting to implement a new online grant application submission form. The Joint Research Grant Community page was created in Fall 2011 and includes a blog to which many JRG committee members contributed. Members from both TS and OBS have joined this community.

Work to create an online grant application submission form began with the committee consulting both the OBS and TS Web editors. After that, AALL headquarters was approached to help with the project. AALL Headquarters IT staff refused to assist in the project and placed the project in the hands of the OBS Web editor. A few mock-ups were presented and refined. By early 2012, it was discovered that full implementation of an online web form would not be possible by the Spring 2012 grant deadline. This project will have to be delayed for another year with possible implementation by Spring 2013.

The Joint Research Grant was advertised in local chapter newsletters, on the TS and OBS email lists, the Technical Services Newsletter, and multiple times in the AALL President's E-Newsletter. Again despite these advertising efforts and the new online presence, there were no applicants for this year's grant. Promotion and work for the Fall JRG deadline will continue this summer into the fall.

The committee has developed a survey that will help determine why people are not applying for the grant. The survey will be sent to a University-based Institutional Review Board for approval and distributed to TS and OBS member in the upcoming year.

The Joint Research Grant Committee members continue to see the value of the TS/OBS Joint Research Grant as well as the research it attempts to support.

Hollie White

**OBS-SIS OCLC Committee
2011-2012 Annual Report**

The OCLC Committee is open to any OBS-SIS member interested in news from and about OCLC and its products and services. There is no formal committee work involved with joining this group, so it's an easy and informative group to join.

The OCLC Committee experienced a year of change in 2011-2012. Former Chair Yuxin Li completed his service as Chair at the close of the 2011 Annual Meeting, and Karen Selden was appointed to take his place.

OCLC programming at the Annual Meetings also changed. Traditionally, the OCLC Update and Roundtable sessions were held at separate times during the AALL Annual Meetings, and not always consecutively. During the 2011 Philadelphia Annual Meeting, the Update and Roundtable were combined into one 90-minute session. Because this combined format was well-received by the presenter and the audience, we will continue to use it in the future. The new combined program, named the **OCLC Users Roundtable**, is now considered an official, OBS-sponsored program. The annual roundtable program will consist of an OCLC representative presenting an overview and update about new, enhanced, and future products and services offered by OCLC. Following the OCLC representative's presentation, the bulk of the program time will be allotted to audience members to ask questions and to share comments, ideas, and concerns about OCLC products, services, and best practices with the speaker and other OCLC users in the audience.

With the update of the aallnet e-mail system in the fall of 2011, a new OBS OCLC Committee discussion list was established. The list is available via the AALL website's Member Communities section, and if you need assistance subscribing to the discussion list, please contact the Chair. Currently there are 29 members on the list, and the Chair plans to continue publicizing it to reach as many interested OBS members as possible.

Speaking of e-mail lists, the one constant for the Committee in 2011-2012 is our faithful OCLC liaison, Glenn Patton, who continues to send appropriate OCLC news and updates to the Chair for posting on the OBS OCLC Committee discussion list, as well as the general OBS discussion list. The downside of the new aallnet e-mail system is that non-AALL members (such as Glenn Patton) are prohibited from posting directly to the lists, but asking the Chair to post on his behalf has worked well.

The former and current Chairs also authored the quarterly OCLC columns that appeared in each issue of Volume 37 of **Technical Services Law Librarian**. These columns included a summary the 2011 OCLC Update and Roundtable held at the Annual Meeting in Philadelphia and appropriate OCLC news and updates from Glenn Patton and other sources.

The OBS OCLC Committee Chair looks forward to another year of keeping OBS members informed about OCLC products and services. Please let the Chair know what issues, concerns, or ideas you would like to have explored or investigated. The Committee and Chair are here to serve the OBS membership, so please forward your comments and suggestions.

Karen Selden
(William A. Wise Law Library, University of Colorado Law School)