

OBS-SIS 2017
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
(Outgoing and Incoming)

July 6th at 1 pm via Telephone Conference
Minutes submitted by Melanie Cornell

Meeting was called to order by Jennifer Noga, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, at 1:01 p.m. EST.

In Attendance

Jennifer Noga, Jackie Magagnosc, Karen Selden, Kevin Carey, Melanie Cornell, Patty Alvayay, and Jason LeMay.

Minutes

The 2016 annual In/Out Executive board meeting minutes were approved with a minor amendment to change the meeting start and finish times from “pm” to “am”. The minutes for the June 8, 2017 phone conference meeting were drafted and shared but are still being revised, and will be due for approval at an upcoming Executive Board meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer Report

Melanie Cornell

The OBS-SIS net meeting expenses for 2016 were \$2506.04. The 2016-17 membership fees to date totaled to \$2195.00. We started this year with a balance of \$5483.68. Over the year we spent \$4891.04 and received \$3570.00, ending with \$4162.64 as of June 21st. Our 2017 election ran April 24 to May 5 using AALL’s voting software. 25% of members voted, and the results were shared on May 5th.

- Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Jackie Magagnosc (Cornell Law Library)
- Member-at-Large: Jason LeMay (Emory University School of Law)
- Secretary-Treasurer: Kevin Carey (Moritz Law Library)

Outgoing Secretary-Treasurer, Melanie Cornell, will be absent from the 2017 OBS-SIS Business Meeting, so will give the Treasurer Report information to incoming Secretary-Treasurer, Kevin Carey, to share on her behalf.

Members-at-Large Reports

Patty Alvayay (2016-2018)

There was insufficient money for the Alphabet Soup reception, so we’re doing Dine-Arounds. ALMA group setup is going well.

Jackie Magagnosc (2015-2017)

Jackie is working on a poster for display area. She requested approval to spend \$8.00/linear ft. for 4 linear feet (\$32.00 total) to print the poster. Approval was granted. A poster set up for printing will allow us to easily rebrand in the future. The poster theme this year is “We Are OBS.” Jackie put up a Google Sheet to get people to sign up to stand with the poster. Information was supplied to Barbara Ginzburg to ship the OBS buttons to the 2017 annual meeting. Other OBS supplies may have gone missing or were disposed of in last year’s cleanup, as it seems all we have left now are the buttons.

Vice-Chair Report

Jennifer Noga

Jennifer completed the membership survey (there were 59 responses) and will supply some resulting information to TS-SIS via Michael Maben. Ideas were sent to the Education Committee. Appointments to committees were as follows:

- Local Systems Committee Chair: Keiko Okuhara
- OBS/TS FROG Committee Chair: Gypsy Moody
 - There are also 2 new OBS reps on the committee: Lisa Watson and Rachel Decker
- OCLC Committee Chair: Emily Dust Nimsakont
- OBS TSL Board Representative: Larissa Sullivant

Committee Reports

Most Committee Reports were covered during the June 8, 2017 Executive Board phone conference/meeting, so are not repeated here.

Kevin Carey reported that Local Systems reached out to some other groups to extend information and posted on listservs invitations to attend the Round Table discussions.

Jason LeMay reported that beverages will be toned down at the OCLC Update, compared to last year, as beverages are even more expensive in Austin than in Chicago.

The OBS Education Committee will be at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday during AALL 2017. Please forward any ideas to anyone on the committee.

New Business

Jennifer Noga provided an update regarding the issue of TS Reps. Lauren of TS-SIS was sent information to be put on the agenda of the ALL Executive Board Meeting in July that SIS's be able to appoint those representatives, including a motion that they be renamed "Liaisons." Ways SIS's can contribute to funding will be brought up at the SIS council meeting.

Attention was drawn to the fact that AALL is an outlier regarding providing funding for reps to attend ALA. Other organizations give no substantial assistance. There was some discussion regarding potential wiggle room – for example, might AALL consider waiving AALL registration for TS reps. to effectively free some of their resources for them to better afford their expenses at ALA?

Last minute planning for Austin

A list of OBS meetings/programs for 2017 will be posted at the web site. Jackie will include a subset from this list with the OBS poster, covering events happening after the poster is first available.

A request was made for approval to pay for the VIP's dinner at the Dine-Arounds. Approval was granted.

At CONELL OBS typically has provided flyers, puzzles/games, candy, a box for business cards (sometimes a drawing for 1 free membership), and OBS buttons. This year we will also provide an extraction of OBS-related information from pages 8-9 of the June 2017 (Volume 42, No. 4) issue of TSLI.

2017-2018 Priorities

Jennifer Noga, Chair-Elect, plans to use the 2016-17 survey as an instrument for leading OBS over 2017-18. For example, the most popular response to the survey question "Why did you join OBS-SIS?" was "To stay up to date on library systems/platforms." The survey showed that 70% of respondents were in libraries considering changing systems. What resources can we supply to members regarding systems? The survey results also indicated that members would like more communication with members and that there is overlap between TS and OBS. There was discussion of potentially providing easy access to relevant information such as to Law Library Systems Directory (AALL Publications Series) and Marshall Breeding's Library Systems Reports and associated search tools.

Membership Recruitment

There seem to be approximately 194 members, representing a downward trend. Members are retiring. We need to get new people in, such as from CONELL. There was discussion of specifically targeting groups such as Systems Librarians and Electronic Resource

Librarians, as well as establishing a committee to monitor AALL welcomes to new members, possibly with a specific goal such as to add 10 new members per year.

2018 OBS VIP/Programming Ideas

Does anyone have ideas for VIP for next year (Baltimore area?). AALL will cover registration costs of 2 VIPs (non-members). AALL ideas can be submitted to AMPC at <http://aall-ampc.ideascale.com>.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 2:16 p.m. EST.