

Minutes of the OBS-SIS Annual Business Meeting  
Sunday, July 16, 2017, Austin, TX

**Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions:**

OBS-SIS Chair Marjorie Crawford called the official meeting to order at 6:17 p.m.

Introductions: Marjorie Crawford, Rutgers University (outgoing Chair); Kevin Carey, Ohio State University (incoming Secretary/Treasurer); Karen Selden, University of Colorado (immediate Past Chair); Jackie Magagnosc, Cornell Law Library (outgoing Member-at-Large and incoming Vice Chair/Chair-Elect); Jennifer Noga, Wake Forest University (current Vice Chair and incoming Chair).

Audience introductions: Pat Sayre-McCoy, University of Chicago; Jason LeMay, Emory University (incoming Member-at-Large); Michael Maben, Indiana University; Meiling Li, Los Angeles County Law Library; Marijah Sroczynski, Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy; Gypsy Moody, Belmont University; Corinne Jaycox, Creighton University; Heather Buckwalter, Creighton University; Barbara Szalkowski, South Texas College of Law Houston.

**Approval of 2016 Business Meeting minutes:**

Marjorie Crawford called for a motion to approve the 2016 Business Meeting minutes. Pat Sayre-McCoy so moved, Jason LeMay seconded, motion passed.

**Officer Reports:**

Treasurer/Secretary – Melanie Cornell (not present) :

Kevin reported that the OBS-SIS net meeting expenses for 2016 were \$2,506.04. The 2016-17 membership fees to date totaled to \$2,195.00. We started this year with a balance of \$5,483.68. Over the year we spent \$4,891.04 and received \$3,570.00, ending with \$4,162.64 as of June 21st. Our 2017 election ran April 24 to May 5 using AALL's voting software. 25% of members voted, the results were shared on May 5th. Congratulations to our newly elected positions: 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).

Members-at-Large –Jackie Magagnosc (2015-2017), (Patty Alvayay (2016-2018) not present) :

Jackie reported that the first-year Member-at-Large is charged with being our representative to the Alphabet Soup reception, but this year Innovative declined to fund, so Patty heroically organized last night's Dine-Around at a distance, and her sense is that they were extremely successful; thought it was a really lovely opportunity to get people together on smaller scale and do that networking thing that we're supposed to do, and a lot of newer members came.

Second-year Member-at-Large had especially to do with the posters, and getting the posters up, and people have signed up to stand with it during the exhibit hall breaks, so that's good.

Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect—Jennifer Noga:

Jennifer reported that her main initiative for this last year was the OBS survey, and that we got a lot of really good information out of that survey, and we do that every other year, alternating off with TS and their survey. So we would have liked to have more responses, but we got about 50 people, which was pretty good, not a bad survey response rate actually. We got a lot of good feedback to go off of for next year, and planning for the section for next year, and we also got a lot of good ideas for programming, and we talked about a lot of those ideas this morning at the Education meeting, and so we have a number of really good things in the works for programming for the upcoming year. So that was a really great thing to have that information directly from the members about what they want to see in terms of professional development.

Then in the latter half of the year, Jennifer was primarily focused on getting commitments for committees, and so we have a number of people who are stepping into new chairs of committees positions: Keiko Okuhara, chair of the Local Systems Committee; Gypsy Moody, chair of the OBS/TS Frog Committee; also two new reps on that

committee, Lisa Watson and Rachel Decker; Emily Dust Nimsakont, chair of the OCLC Committee; Larissa Sullivant, TSSL board representative.

Chair – Marjorie E. Crawford:

Marjorie reported on one OBS initiative for discussion at the business meeting. Since the AALL board decided to cut funding for the three cataloging reps, which presents a problem to TS and OBS, we worked all year but we still don't have a resolution that we are happy with, and I think it is important for the AALL board to hear one voice from us as to how we think we should go forward. Marjorie opened the floor to listen to the membership.

This topic was brought up at the SIS Council meeting on Saturday, by the outgoing chair of ALL-SIS, as something very important for all the SIS's to get behind and support these representatives and communicate to AALL how important they are, and everyone who was there agreed. TS-SIS and ALL-SIS are both very supportive and want to be proactive in making sure these reps can at least retain the positions, although to be designated as "liaisons" rather than "representatives." It was suggested that the SIS's could create an endowment to fund the liaisons, or possibly a special subcommittee between OBS and TS to further consider the matter.

### **Committee Reports:**

Education Committee – Marjorie Crawford, Chair:

Marjorie reported on the current Annual Meeting program for AALL: thanks to Barbara Szalkowski, we had a great start. The program today was independently sponsored by OBS, and this is all due to Barbara taking the initiative. We need to have more Barbaras in our midst, to step up and see what we can do, once we put our minds to moving ahead. We participated in CONELL: Jean represented us. So we're off to a great start to this annual meeting.

OBS/TS FROG (Research Grant) Committee – Representatives: (Virginia Bryant (2015-2017), not present), Gypsy Moody (2016-2018) :

Gypsy reported on FROG: we actually had an applicant for the first time in 13 years, and she brought a project which we considered and ended up funding her. We're very excited to see how much she can accomplish. Her name is Sarah Lin, and she's a firm librarian in San Francisco [Reed Smith].

Local Systems Committee – Kevin Carey, Chair

Kevin reported on the Local Systems Committee, which mostly focused as usual on the roundtable event today, and we followed up on some of the outcomes from last year, like the ALMA folks who were most interested in getting together, and tried to cast a bit of a wider net in the past weeks and months. We don't know how successful that necessarily was, but it was a reasonably lively discussion by people who are mostly on ALMA or moving to ALMA earlier today. We could consider condensing the format to a single table, as we tried to provide tables for several different user groups but ended up with 2-3 rows around one table. Follow-up question: is there possible interest in a Folio user group?

Nominating Committee – Scott Matheson, Chair (not present)

Marjorie thanked the committee for proposing a slate of candidates that we voted on who will be serving us at the end of this term. It was success, success, success.

OCLC Committee – Jason LeMay, Chair

Jason reported that the OCLC meeting is tomorrow morning at 7:30 a.m., with coffee, tea, orange juice.

OBS TSSL Editorial Board Representatives – (Caitlyn Lam (2015-2017), Sara E. Campbell (2016-2018), not present)

TSSL Report – Michael Maben

Michael reported that the *Tech Services Law Librarian* published 4 issues last year, all published on time. We had some columnist changes, and an associate editor change, and we've got people lined up to review programs for this meeting, and hope to publish those in the September issue. This next year will be Michael's last year, as the board already knows, so he will be working on lining up successors.

Web Advisory – Barbara Ginzburg (not present)

Marjorie thanked Barbara and the committee for moving OBS forward with the new AALL site.

**New Business:**

2017 OBS VIP:

Barbara Szalkowski reported that Scott Carlson was delighted to be here and is staying through Tuesday morning: he is getting his fill of what we are about here, and was pleased to meet everyone and getting a different perspective than he usually gets at ALA. Everyone was very receptive to him, so we got good exposure on both ends. There were 110 people at his morning program, so thanks to everyone for the support.

Other:

Marjorie Crawford presented thank-you cards to three outgoing board members, along with the traditional OBS Chair's hat to Jennifer. Jennifer thanked Marjorie for her dedication and commitment in serving two years as OBS-SIS Chair, for her leadership and for serving our members so well, in a difficult time. Jennifer presented a plaque as acknowledgement, along with a gift, and said that it was her privilege to be Vice Chair under Marjorie and learn from her.

Jennifer ran the drawing for a free OBS-SIS membership from the CONELL attendees. The winner was Elizabeth Manriquez. Jennifer will follow up with Elizabeth about the free membership, as well as contacting the other people about joining OBS.

**Adjournment:**

Jennifer Noga called for a motion to adjourn. Karen Selden so moved, Michael Maben (et al.) seconded, motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kevin Carey, OBS-SIS Secretary/Treasurer, 2017-2019.