PLLIP-SIS Executive Board Meeting  
August 10, 2016  
Minutes

The meeting began at 2:07 p.m. CST. The following were in attendance:

Cameron Gowan, Chair  
Elaine Egan, Vice Chair/Chair-Elect  
Scott Bailey, Past Chair  
Laurel Evans, Treasurer  
Liz Whittington, Board Member  
Michelle Tolley, Board Member  
Mary Ann Wacker, Secretary  
Jeremy Sullivan  
Denise Pagh  
Leanna Simon

Elaine moved to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2016 executive board meeting, Leanna seconded, and the minutes were approved by the Board attendees.

Treasurer’s report – Laurel confirmed the fiscal health of the treasury. She also mentioned that she does not have an updated total after the AALL meeting, but hopes to have this shortly.

New Business:

• **Scholarships and grants:** Leanna Simon reported that Abby Walters of Maslon LLP is the recipient of the ILTACON grant. Leanna also mentioned other grants that will be available in the coming year: two Business Skills Clinic grants; one Leadership Academy grant; four Summit grants (for registration fee); one CONELL grant; and two annual meeting registrations with travel. She estimates the Committee will spend $5100. The recipients for those grants will be announced later.

• **PLLIP Summit/AALL Track:** Discussion on the options of the Summit as it is now or changing it in the future. Tabled and will continue discussion.

• **Educational Opportunities:** Cameron wants to focus on increasing the educational opportunities offered by PLLIP. There will be six of webinars over the next year organized by Jim Senter and Jennifer Berman, Chairs of the Education Committee. There are two separate education committees now, Education and Education – AMPC Proposals Committee (Chairs: Julie Pabarja and Lucy Curci-Gonzalez). Having the AMPC piece as separate will help guide the committees to propose meeting ideas by October 3rd. The Board has been assigned members to be liaisons for each Committee to encourage them in their work and AMPC proposals. Leanna is working on awarding Grants for the benefit of members.

• **Membership Outreach:** Cameron would like to reach out to local schools to increase membership. Alana Bevan is Chair of this committee. Discussion to create a membership survey and questions about the Summit would be included.
**PLLIP Committees:** Elaine said that she spoke to Andrea Guldalian, chair of the Communications Committee. Cameron suggested Andrea pick three top priorities and Elaine said she would pass this information along. Cameron mentioned we got 40 extra volunteers this year and so “engagement” would be a good overall theme. Possible themes/focus topics are Elevation Task Force and AI/Robots/Drones in private firms. Scott said he would like to encourage the Elevation Task Force to dovetail with the initiatives of all committees to be “outward facing.” Cameron said that working with a PR firm to promote PLLIP would be possible, Scot to follow up with Board/Headquarters. Cameron mentioned that if the Board has any issues with the Committees to let her know – the committees should be engaged. Laurel thought that it would be a good idea to add the board liaisons to the Committee list on the PLLIP web site.

**PLLIP Awards:** Scott and Laurel will revamp and broaden the awards criteria by December, so people other than PLLIP members will be eligible. Also, they will create special awards for people outside of PLLIP.

Scott gave a shout out to Cameron for coming up with the idea of adding the vendor profiles to the Newsletter.

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m. CST.