

**PLL-SIS Executive Board Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**October 14, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 p.m. The following were in attendance:

Cheryl Niemeier, Chair  
Scott Bailey, Chair-Elect  
Emily Florio, Treasurer  
Marcia Burris, Board Member  
Saskia Mehlhorn, Board Member  
Nancy Rine, Secretary

Cheryl moved to approve the minutes of the September 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, Saskia seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

Emily provided the Treasurer's Report. She reported that we still do not have the official statement from AALL. The estimated balance is \$35,948.29 and excludes AALL conference costs, with the exception of the independent PLL program expenses. The other new expense was the renewal of the Constant Contact PLL subscription.

**Old Business**

- **Strategy Session** - the group discussed the logistics and anticipated outcomes for the planned session with Jennifer Brand, scheduled for October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Cheryl stressed that a key outcome would be progress on the name change process, including concrete steps for the best way to present the initiative to the membership, incorporate it into the by-law process, and secure AALL Executive Board approval. Marcia said that it would be helpful to spend time considering how best to accommodate the different roles and varied perspectives of the membership.
- **New AALL Members Column** - Cheryl and Spectrum Editor Catherine Lemmer will schedule a conference call with SIS Chairs to brainstorm ideas for generating volunteers and contributions.
- **AALL Spectrum Blog** – Cheryl reported that several PLL members responded and no action is needed by the Board. Emily confirmed that anyone can create/edit posts and she suggested that items posted on other blogs, such as On Firmer Ground, be posted on the Spectrum blog as well.

**New Business**

- **Committee/Group Reports**
  - Saskia provided an update on the Corporate Group. She reported that Trisha Petitt is posting a message to the PLL-SIS listserv to query those who aren't members of the Corporate Group about the kinds of continuing education programs that would be of interest.
  - Emily reported that the Intellectual Property Group has submitted two strong program proposals and are considering other ideas for webinars. Starting a discussion with Pro Quest Dialog is also on their agenda.
  - Emily reported that the Membership Committee is reaching out to other AALL committees and groups to see who already does outreach to students and if it's possible to combine efforts.
  - Cheryl reported that the Communication Committee has sent out two surveys, one of which is about the PLL website. The Committee is also actively soliciting articles for the newsletter.

- **PLL Education Programs**

Cheryl provided updates on the following programs:

- Collection Development in the Age of Virtual Law Libraries (Steve Lastres) – September 30<sup>th</sup> - There were 107 attendees. The evaluations were good, the majority of attendees was appreciative and found the content to be relevant.
  - CI Essentials (Mark Gediman) – November 13<sup>th</sup> – The program is on schedule and Cheryl is working with Mark on the communications.
  - Future programs – Cheryl suggested a number of topics for future programs including: another Tweetup , use of eliminating CALR chargebacks, use of consultants, business research resources, training, and research monitoring software. She noted that eBooks was frequently mentioned as a topic of interest in the September 30<sup>th</sup> program evaluations and should be considered in the Spring. Scott suggested that it would be helpful to offer a program that is objective and vendor neutral, focusing more on what firms are actually doing with eBooks. Cheryl will share this idea with the Education Committee.
- **PLL Annual Meeting Program Proposals** – Cheryl reported that the PLL sponsored program will be *So You Want to Be a Web Services Librarian?* Submitted by Linda-Jean Schneider. A total of 10 programs were submitted to the PLL AMPC Committee and all were submitted to AALL AMPC. If any/all are not accepted then Cheryl will reach out to the coordinators to ask if they are interested in turning their programs into webinars.
  - **AALL Salary Survey** – Cheryl reminded the Board that we've been invited to provide input on PLL job titles for the AALL Salary Survey. She distributed the job titles and descriptions prior to the meeting and asked the group to review. Saskia volunteered to collect the suggested revisions and circulate to the Board prior to the November meeting. Recommendations will be sent to Karen Skinner, Chair of AALL Economic Status of Law Librarians Committee, preferably by the end of November though we may have until the end of the year.
  - **By-law Changes** – Cheryl reported that recent changes to the AALL Handbook now require an additional step in the name change initiative. The name change will still be put to a PLL by-law vote, but if it is approved it will then need to be approved by the AALL Executive Board.
  - **October PLL e-Newsletter**
    - Cheryl will ask Jean to do the next Around the Blogosphere column and she asked for volunteers for future columns.
    - Member spotlight - Cheryl reported that the October newsletter will include a Communications Committee member's interview with a librarian from Jenkins Law Library.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm.