

The PLLIP-SIS Annual Business Meeting
July 15, 2018
Baltimore, Maryland

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m.

PLLIP Chair Elaine Egan welcomed all attendees and thanked Fastcase for their sponsorship of our lunch. Phil Rosenthal from Fastcase was on hand and presented some brief remarks.

The minutes for the July 2017 meeting were presented to approval. Jeff Burns moved to approve, Lucy Curci-Gonzalez seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Julie Pabarja, gave a brief Treasurer's Report. She confirmed the health of PLLIP's treasury, described our continued increase in grants in 2017-18, and said some funds were going towards the Elevation Task Force initiative in 2018-2019.

PLLIP Chair Elaine Egan gave brief remarks, acknowledging PLLIP Volunteers, announcing a 12% growth in PLLIP membership in the past year, and specifically asked for Summit volunteers. Elaine thanked outgoing Board members and introduced the new Board.

All of the recipients of PLLIP grants were acknowledged:

- Competitive Intelligence Foundations: Christine Sellers and Nuchine Nobari
- Leadership Academy: Jennifer Baker, Laurel Evens, Tanya Livshits, Allison Reeve
- Legal Marketing Association: Katy Agno
- AALL Annual Meeting Registration/Travel: Jill Kilgore and Morgan Stillo
- PLLIP Summit: Cameron Gowan, Liz Whittington, Jill Kilgore, Karen Oesterle, Katie Brown
- CONELL: Morgan Stillo

The PLLIP Awards were then announced by Elaine Egan and Saskia Mehlhorn,

- *Distinguished Librarian* – Steve Lastres
- *Innovative Professional of the Year* –Katherine Lowery
- *Best Blogger/Writer of the Year* –Harris County Law Library (Heather Homes accepted the award)
- *Advocate of the Year* –June Liebert
- *Emerging Leader* –Leanna Simon
- *Service to PLLIP* –Kevin Miles (Saskia accepted the award for Kevin who could not attend)
- *Vendor/Outside Champion* –Chuck Lowry

- *Hall of Fame* – Martha Goldman (Rhonda accepted on Martha’s behalf) and Cindy Spohr

PLLIP Committee Reports were presented next:

- **Small and Medium Law Firms:** Kathy Coon gave an invitation to all members who work in small and medium firms to join this group.
- **Communications:** Andrea Guldalian gave a report on PLLIP’s communications initiatives. Andrea asked members to reach out to the chapter level and ask chapters to share presentations with PLLIP.
- **Summit:** Alicia Pappas gave a report on the PLLIP Summit held the day before, and said they had about 260 attendees. She thanked our sponsors and reported that the summit had added a cocktail reception following the day of meetings. Alicia also thanked her Co-Chair, Christiania McKennerney
- **Awards:** Saskia Mehlhorn reported on the awards committee and asked member to consider nominating themselves or a colleague for an award next year.

The gavel was passed from Chair Elaine Egan to incoming Chair Diana Koppang, who presented some remarks - focusing on bringing up a new generation of volunteers, speakers, and writers. Diana asked that we “put out a call” reaching out to new members to be on a panel or otherwise participate in PLLIP.

Open forum: PLLIP members had a chance to stand and present questions to the group.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:58 pm.