

RIPS-SIS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

DATE: November 3, 2025

TO: ALL-SIS Members

FROM: RIPS-SIS Executive Board

RE: November Board Meeting

In Attendance: Sara, Emily, Theresa, Olivia, Julia

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of the minutes for last month's meeting

- Motion to approve the minutes
- Minutes approved

2. RIPS Blog Status as a Committee

- We may make this announcement at the next bi-annual business meeting coming up
- Perhaps we could also float the idea that there could be a blog post about this change

3. DEI Board Position

- Sara email the Chair and Vice Chair of the DEI Committee documents and background related to the DEI Board position last month
- DEI Committee met a couple weeks ago and a sub-group of the committee will work on creating a document of their thoughts on the DEI Board position. They are meeting later this week.

4. Committee News & Updates

- **Teach-In Kit Task Force** - Met last week and set out action items and criteria for how to assess which platform they want to select to move and merge the source book and teach in kit with consistent metadata. The next step is discussing technical elements with Chris Siwa and individuals will do some research on possible platforms.
- **Teach-In Kit Committee** - Had first meeting in October and wanted to better tailor their call and have their source book have a different approach.
- **Scholarship Committee** - No updates, but there's a blog post coming out from them.
- **Research Skills & Instruction** - Had their second meeting, working on ideas for subcommittee

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projects.

- **PR Committee-** Done for this semester, but trying to figure out ways to get folks to submit member highlights, so they are thinking of changing to submitting your colleagues accomplishments.
- **Program Committee** - Ended up with 6 submissions and did blind review (every program had at least 3 reviewers) and selected two programs to sponsor for AALL.
- **Patron Services** - Working on setting up their next meeting soon and start working on the circulation toolkit.
- **Nominations** - Having their first meeting in November.
- **Grants Committee** - No update yet.
- **DEI Committee** - Split into two sub-groups, one sharing thoughts on DEI Board position, one planning the smaller DEI trainings, such as PEGA SIS, So You Wanna type of programs
- **Mentorship and Outreach-** Taryn will share the ALL-SIS survey results with us. AALL shared the RIPS membership list, which was shared with the Mentorship and Outreach chairs.
- **RIPS Blog updates:**
 - Since September 1, 2025, there have been over 6000 visits to the RIPS Blog (according to Wordpress stats)
 - Since September 1, 2025, we've maintained consistent posting of 2 to 3 blog posts a week
 - Since September 1, 2025, all regular blog contributors have published at least one blog post and we published two guest blogger posts by:
 - Kelsey Renz
 - Heather Agnew (RIPS Scholarship Committee contribution)

5. Mid-year check-in will likely be scheduled for late January

- Email will be sent out soon about scheduling the mid-year check-in