



TS-SIS Executive Board Meeting Monday, November 16, 2015

2:00 - 3:00 p.m. EST

### **Agenda**

Meeting Called to order at 2:02 EST

#### **1. Attendance & Welcome (2 min.)**

Hollie White (Chair), Ajaye Bloomstone, Suzanne Graham, Ismael Gullon, John Hostage, Diana Jaque, Sarah Lin, Ashley Brooks Moye, Eric Parker, Pat Roncevich, Chis Tarr.

#### **2. Discussion: Changing the SIS Name? (8 min.)**

H. White discussed impetus for potential TS-SIS name came from Bylaws Committee discussion at annual conference. Should the SIS change name to more descriptive and up-to-date? C. Tarr discussed using the model used by the Private Law Librarians PIILP for their revised name change (member driven, more inclusive). Members were asked for input on names and name change. This was seen as garnering more buy-in by members, instead of a top down decision. S. Lin discussed how PIILP had members vote on changing and then allowed them to vote for name.

A discussion entailed regarding the latest email from AALL regarding the proposed name change of the National organization. A suggestion was brought up about polling TS-SIS members to determine the mood of the TS-SIS members and to get some suitable new names for TS-SIS. H. White commented that the suggestion to change the name of TS had been discussed informally and was on agenda for November Executive Board Meeting Agenda prior to email from Kate Hagan on Nov. 12, 2015 regarding the name change for National (AALL).

A vote was called by Chair whether to pursue discussion with members regarding the TS-SIS name change now or wait until spring and after rebranding issues at the National lever (AALL) have been determined. A suggestion was made that going forward any bylaw changes should reference "The Association" instead of AALL, American Association of Law Librarian, or ALI. The Board unanimously voted to table the SIS name change discussion until spring 2016.

#### **3. Annual Meeting Matrix Update/ Potential Marla Schwartz Reception/Dinner Event (28 min.)**

Executive Board volunteer sub-committee held meeting regarding matrix. H. White sent completed matrix to headquarters and reported that TS well ahead of the pack. The matrix can now be shared with TS Committees.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1kRhhsnjTJgT1TUiQL4jv1YLeDwvdel1rKVcl0gX2VQ/edit#gid=0>

There will be no separate incoming/outgoing TS meeting, this will occur at the end of the business meeting. Times submitted were requested by the various committees. H. White acknowledged that

there are some conflicts (Management Issues & Heads of Cataloging), and that specific requests to avoid conflicts brought to her attentions (Vendor Supply and Management Issues) were honored. Preservation doesn't need to meet so slot can be used for Hot Topics, VIP talk or other options. 2016 conference will have a max of 6 simultaneous programs instead of previous 8.

Marla Schwartz – discussion ensued regarding possibilities, a reception ticketed event on or off site. If ticketed \$5 toward event, \$5 toward grant and checks can be accepted. TS needs to pay for food and room and net between \$500-800. Event would not count toward the 10 time slots, should be close enough to conference center to walk or do cab, 6:30 beginning. Discussion included having people outside of TS attend, incorporating the auction into event, enabling old and new members to interact and mingle. A poll of the membership was held, A. Brooks Moye stated that responders were most excited about face time and wanted some event that honors Marla Schwartz.

A question arose regarding awards and recognition at business meeting. H. White reported that the Chapman is presented at the Business Meeting, the other award winners are introduced and have a picture taken.

The question of money exchange was discussed. No money can be accepted at conference center ALL-SIS reception was a ticketed event and were part of registration. Individuals can make donations, auction items are seen as donations instead of outright sale. There are still questions about how to run the auction online. H. White discussed the need to continue to innovate and change in how we operate and to try new things. Any suggestions or ideas are always welcomed by Executive Board.

Discussion regarding beverage/food at early meetings. There were some differing opinions, some board members felt the price exorbitant and unnecessary, other reported that member expect and appreciate this perk. Discussed whether just do beverage not food. A suggestion was made to inform members of the costs and let them voice their opinion whether they feel this is a good use of dues money.

#### **5. FROG: changing ex-officio member to a “member at large” (5 min.)**

C. Tarr reported on committee member issue with renamed Funding Research Opportunity Grant. A joint committee grant with OBS, the committee historically had a chair, 2 reps from each SIS and an “ex officio” member. It was never clear what “officio” the “ex officio” member came from. It seems to have been a spot for an expert or an extra member. The Committee is requesting a change in the name of this member to avoid confusion, proposing “member-at-large”. As there have never been officers how to fill the “ex officio” seat now that it has been vacated. Committee prefers uneven number of members, but unsure how to appoint 5<sup>th</sup> member. C. Tarr requested a change in the name to avoid confusion. Other questions arose. Would this 5<sup>th</sup> member need to be a member of both TS and OBS, or can it be open to anyone? Does it need to be updated in handbook and bylaws? S. Graham reported that we have required all committee members to be TS members, but we have not required working group members to join TS. FROG is already an exception since it is a joint TS-OBS group. Should seat be filled by past chair?

It was reported that it has been a decade since given any of this money was awarded. A suggestion that having this seat be filled by member outside of TS and OBS might help with diversity as currently

members of TS and OBS are predominantly academics. H. White reported that efforts have been put forth to diversify the makeup of the group with minimal success.

Question was posed, how long the 5<sup>th</sup> member (ambassador, representative at-large) should serve – a 2 year term was suggested. It was agreed the fewer restrictions for the position the better to leave it open to whatever expertise the chair would like.

A request was made to C. Tarr to take back to FROG that Board voted to remove the mention of TS, OBS and only require that this member of the FROG Committee be an AALL member. Also the Board voted that the position should be called representative-at-large to distinguish it from the Members-at-large on the Executive Board. Approval was made by Executive Board to confirm these changes, and the resultant changes in the TS and OBS handbooks, with the OBS Board as well as on in OBS site. <http://www.aallnet.org/sections/obs/documents/procedures-manual/jrg.html>

#### **6. New Business (3 min.)**

P. Roncevich asked about the practice of the Chair sending out announcement to minute meetings once they have been posted. H. White was not planning this practice but approved the practice by the Secretary/Treasurer. She also encouraged other members to use the TS-SIS Communities list for members to promote publications and to report on awards and other recognition bestowed upon members and colleagues.

#### **6. Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was called by J. Hostage, C. Tarr seconded, meeting adjourned at 2:58 EST.

Submitted by Pat Roncevich, TS-SIS Secretary/Treasurer

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