

TS-SIS Executive Board Meeting: Minutes

February 27, 2018 at 11:30 A.M. Pacific

Present: Lauren Seney (Chair), Sharon Bradley, Kevin Carey, Carol Collins, Suzanne R. Graham, Trina Holloway, Diana Jaque, Gypsy Moody, Wendy Moore, Emily D. Nimsakont, Keiko Okuhara, Pat Roncevich, and Marijah Sroczynski.

1. Welcome

Lauren Seney, Chair, thanked everyone for calling in and called the meeting to order at 11:32 A.M. Pacific.

2. Website updates

Lauren let us know that we have a new website. While it doesn't look very different from the old site, we no longer have direct access to make edits. Martin Wisneski still is considered the webmaster and he should be contacted first regarding changes, but he will need to send all changes to Chris Siwa at AALL headquarters for implementation.

Lauren asks all committee chairs to check their web pages and see what is still current. It would be good to do this now so that Martin Wisneski does not receive all edits in July.

Marijah Sroczynski suggested sending the TS-SIS list a link to the new web site.

3. Committee Updates

Lauren asked committee chairs for any updates on their committees.

Keiko Okuhara offered a brief update of Cataloging and Classification. She proposed that the acronym of the VRAG (Vendor-Supplied Records Advisory Working Group) be changed to VRWG to differentiate the group from a newly created advisory group, MPSAG (Metadata Policy and Standard Advisory Group). However, she decided to keep the acronym of the groups as VRAG, since some members opposed to her proposal.

Kevin Carey let us know that he is optimistic about a candidate for the Chapman Award.

Suzanne Graham sent the 2017 Handbook to Martin Wisneski and then onto Chris Siwa at headquarters. It is taking a while longer to have it get online as it will be in PDF format. Suzanne Graham's committee met last week. Her committee members will be calling all committee chairs and board members regarding any changes necessary for the 2018 version of the handbook. Suzanne also let us know that there will not be any proposed bylaws amendments on the ballot.

4. Old Business

a. Member Survey

Wendy Moore wants to have this year's member survey be similar to past surveys for purposes of comparison. Remember, that there will no longer be a volunteer aspect to the survey.

b. Election

Lauren reminded us that one of the candidates has withdrawn due to their taking a job outside law librarianship. After an email sent to the TS-SIS list, a second person has agreed to run. Remember that for this election, Diana Jaque will set up the election, but Lauren will be running the election as Diana is a candidate. The dates of the election will be Tuesday, April 10th through Thursday, April 26th.

c. Re-structuring TS

i. Questions about the changes that were approved in January?

Lauren commented that there was pushback from the minutes of the January meeting concerning the re-organization of TS-SIS. Most feedback concerned the names selected and less so the structural changes. The biggest objection is to the name change of the Cataloging and Classification Committee to Description. One idea is to step back and not have the board name the new committees. Instead, the groups themselves should decide the new name. Various board members weighed in, including the Cataloging and Classification Chair, Keiko Okuhara, and all agreed that we should let the groups decide what they would like to be called and then for the groups to inform the board.

Keiko Okuhara introduced a motion to suspend renaming of two new groups and use a voting mechanism within existing committees to rename them, to keep names the same, and to write in. Carol Collins seconded the motion and hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Keiko Okuhara and Gypsy Moody will work together on a member survey for Cataloging and Classification members to determine their new name.

In addition, Marijah Sroczynski, Pat Roncevich, and Sharon Bradley will work with Gypsy Moody on a survey to determine the new name for this other set of entities.

Both surveys should be completed prior to the March 27th meeting of the board.

Moving forward, we will need to think about how new groups are created.

ii. Changing the name of Standing Committees to Forums?

Lauren asked that we hold off on changing the names of Standing Committees to Forums. This would require a bylaws change.

5. New Business

a. Planning for TS Business Meeting (virtual)

Looking ahead to the TS Business Meeting, Lauren reminded us that there is a platform we can use for free through AALL. If we have any bylaws changes at that time, we should be able to advance them at the virtual meeting.

In response to Lauren's inquiry about anything else that has come up, Suzanne Graham spoke for a few moments about Jean Pajerek's webinar-based liaison report. There were more than twenty attendees. Lauren added that concerning the liaisons, the Ad Hoc AALL Committee has sent their recommendations to the AALL Budget and Finance Committee. Once the report is publicly available, Lauren will send a link to the membership.

6. Adjourn

Sharon Bradley motioned to adjourn the meeting and Wendy Moore seconded the motion. Hearing no opposition, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 P.M. Pacific.

Respectfully submitted by Diana Jaque

2017/18 TS-SIS Secretary/Treasurer