

# AALL Committee Activities and Action Plan

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**Committee Name:** Annual Meeting Program Committee

**Major Activities  
for 2016-2017:**

**AMPC MEMBER SELECTION:** AMPC members were selected with the goal of diversifying content area teams (CATs) with regard to type of library, number of years of service, background, and library experience. Some AMPC members were assigned as the liaison to SISs and chapters. In this role, the liaison communicated with the SIS or chapter at relevant points during the program proposal process and beyond.

**ANNUAL MEETING 2016:** 2017 AMPC members met with the chair and Celeste Smith for an overview of the AMPC process and timeline on July 16, 2016 in Chicago, IL at the 2016 annual meeting. AMPC members Kristina Alayan, Malukah Hall, and Christine Iaconeta designed an AMPC poster for the annual meeting. Approximately 25 AMPC members volunteered to staff the AMPC poster for 12 half-hour shifts. During the poster sessions, committee members gratefully received a number of procedural and substantive suggestions for the AMPC from AALL members.

**MUST-HAVE PROGRAMMING:** In order to identify must-have programming topics, IdeaScale was launched in late July and remained open through August 19 to capture member suggestions for must-have programming. CATs used the information to boil down the list of suggestions to 5 must-have program topics. Must-have programs lists were shared with the membership on the program proposal website, which opened in September and closed in early October.

**CAT PROGRAM PROPOSAL REVIEW:** AMPC received and reviewed approximately 164 program proposals (141 60-minute program proposals; 14 deep dive proposals; 9 workshop proposals). Team Leaders met in Chicago on November 11 and 12, 2016, to make program selections. The yield was approximately 59 60-minute proposals, 5 deep dives, 3 workshops, and 3 hot topic sessions. The Team Leaders were able to diversify the offerings so that there is something for everyone in just about every program slot. Hot Topic programming and Discussion Dens (formerly coffee talks) will also be offered again this year.

**PROGRAM LIAISONS:** Each member of the AMPC is assigned to be the liaison for at least one accepted program or workshop. An introduction to liaison responsibilities was held in webinar format on January 20, 2017.

**THANK YOU:** The AMPC is a time-consuming commitment taken on by many volunteers. Many thanks to each committee member for all of their time, dedication, and patience.

**Proposed Activities  
for 2017-2018:**

Next year's committee will need to be prepared for inquiries about the new SIS guaranteed program policy. It is explained on the proposal website, but it remains the most common question received. Next year's committee may want to pay special attention to the selection of AMPC members with respect to teaching and/or training experience. These are helpful skills when in the liaison role. In addition, it was very helpful to retain a handful of AMPC members from the prior year. In particular, asking two Team Leaders to serve in that role for a second year benefited the AMPC in many ways. Crowd sourcing on IdeaScale is a fantastic way to get input from a large portion of the membership. Providing relevant substantive programming largely hinges upon member contributions to IdeaScale. Any extra efforts to get the word out about the platform will bolster the success of the next AMPC in providing relevant programming for the AALL membership.