

**ACRL Literatures in English Section
Publications Committee**
ALA Annual Conference
Washington, DC
Monday, June 28, 2010
8 a.m. – 10 a.m.

MINUTES

Announcements from LES Executive Committee Meeting I

- ACRL is considering raising membership rates. The change would take effect no sooner than 2012. It has been many years since the last fee increase.
- The ACRL Board granted LES a stipend to fund a liaison to the MLA. LES will appoint a selection committee comprised of LES and WESS members, and develop a simple application process (cover letter and CV), with the condition that applicants be members of MLA and LES OR WESS.
- The LES Strategic Plan was approved, with very minor emendations.
- The ad-hoc committee on virtual participation will meet for the first time to discuss the various possibilities and make recommendations back to LES.

Reports:

LES-L mailing list (Amanda Rust)

Membership on the list has grown from 435 members at midwinter to 454 currently. The missing archives have been restored by ACRL. Any member can now see listserv archives going back to the day he or she subscribed.

Website (Chris Ruotolo)

Adam Burling forwarded the announcement of the LES redesign to the other ACRL sections – a nice plug for us. ALA is actively looking for a new CMS to replace Collage. Drupal is being considered, but nothing is certain yet.

LES Bibliography

Julie Buchsbaum, Laura Braunstein, and Karen Tatarka have volunteered to work on migrating the bibliography into Zotero.

***Biblio-Notes* newsletter (Laura Taddeo/Carrie Wajda)**

Pubs thanked Laura for her years as editor of *Biblio-Notes*, and welcomed Carrie into the editor's role. *Biblio-Notes* is transitioning to an all-electronic publication. The submission deadlines will

remain the same. Face-to-face meetings with the ACRL editor, Dawn Mueller, have now been replaced by email or virtual meetings.

LES Blog (Tim Hackman)

13 different authors have contributed to the blog so far; besides Tim, Arianne Hartsell-Gundy, Liorah Golomb, and Steven Harris are the biggest contributors. There were 27 posts since last year, for a total of 61 all together. The ULS blog has similar activity levels. Comment activity on the blog is low. Categories for posts have included Tech Tips, conference news and updates, profiles of new members, individual research, etc. We could use LES-L to solicit contributions. Members might be particularly responsive to calls to talk about their own research. Spam on the blog is significant, but the WordPress software does a good job of catching it.

LES Wiki (Aline Soules)

Vince Graziano has rotated off of the Pubs Committee, leaving Aline as the remaining administrator. The Membership Committee has decided to migrate the LES directory off of the wiki and back onto the website. The Membership Chair will take on maintenance of the directory, and will provide updates once a month. Pubs will experiment with different ways to display the information on the website.