

2016 ALA Annual Program Planning Committee (Orlando, FL)  
Will Hansen, Committee chair  
ALA Annual Meeting - San Francisco  
Sunday, June 28, 2015, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Hilton San Francisco Union Square, Union Square 08

### **1. Call to order, designation of recorder, and introductions**

Chair Will Hansen calls meeting to order and takes minutes himself. Present: Will Hansen (Chair), Newberry Library; Colleen Barrett (Committee member), Transylvania University; Melanie Griffin (Committee member), University of South Florida; John Overholt, Harvard University.

### **2. Approval of Midwinter meeting minutes**

Minutes from the ALA Midwinter meeting approved by the committee members.

### **3. Discussion and decision on proposed themes**

- a. The State of the Art: E-Books in Special Collections: This theme was quickly rejected based on informal discussions among the committee members prior to the meeting.
- b. Curating Towards Utopia: Preserving and Promoting Attempts at a Better World: The committee discussed the logistical difficulties involved with speakers that had been approached, including representatives of the Occupy Wall Street movement's People's Library. The committee, including member Kyle Triplett, had informally discussed at the RBMS Conference shifting this theme to focus more specifically on the #BlackLivesMatter movement. Based on feedback from a number of RBMS members and the likelihood of availability of quality speakers, the committee decided to focus on this theme, with the working title "**#BlackLivesMatter: Documenting a Digital Protest Movement.**" Will is going to work on a short description to use when approaching potential speakers.

### **4. Discussion of potential speakers**

A number of potential speakers were discussed, with the possibility of approaching the topic from many different perspectives in mind. These could include:

- A representative of an institution working on digital archives for this movement (possibilities including Washington University in St. Louis or the University of Florida);
- A representative of the Internet Archive, which presented a poster at RBMS on documenting the Ferguson, MO protests (possibilities including Sylvie Rollason-Cass and Jefferson Bailey);
- An archivist, librarian, and/or academic interested in the theoretical issues of the movement and its preservation in (or outside of) institutions (possibilities including Jarrett Drake, Bergis Jules, Ed Summers, and others);
- An activist involved with the movement and interested in preserving its legacy (Melanie to look into potential activists in Florida).

### **5. Discussion of potential ACRL partners**

The group agreed that there are many potential partners for this topic. The group plans to contact:

- ALCTS Digital Preservation Interest Group (contact TBD);
- ALA Black Caucus (contact TBD);
- ALA Diversity Council (contact Alanna Aiko-Moore).

Colleen will reach out to the Diversity Council. Will will find contacts for the other two groups and contact them.

### **6. Other business**

No other business being identified, the meeting was adjourned.