



PARS Exec Meeting

ALA Midwinter, Seattle, WA

Monday, January 28

8:00am-11:00am

Committee Members Present:

Jacob Nadal (PARS Exec Chair)

Becky Ryder (PARS Exec Vice Chair/Chair-Elect)

Ann Marie Willer (PARS Exec Past Chair)

Stephanie Lamson (PARS Exec Member at Large)

Holly Robertson (PARS Exec Member at Large))

Hillary Seo (PARS Exec Member at Large)

David Lowe (PARS Exec Secretary)

Presenting to the Committee:

Carolynne Myall (ALCTS President)

Genevieve Owens (ALCTS President Elect)

Sarah Potvin (PARS Intellectual Access IG)

Martha Horan (PARS Rep to ALCTS Planning Cmte)

Jessica Phillips (ALCTS Programming)

Summary:

Committee business included:

the new ALCTS Strategic Plan and scheduling implications, digital capture guidelines, publications, plans for continuing the success of Preservation Week, and preservation statistics.

1. Meeting began at 8:34 am
2. Approved: agenda for the day as well as minutes (with one correction, [since made, with copy replaced on Connect--DBL]) from previous meeting at ALA Annual 2012.
3. Report from Sarah re: Intellectual Access IG:
 - Co-chair Shawn Averkamp will be rotating off
 - 15 attendees on Saturday
 - Featured speaker: Howard Besser covering:
 - Archiving media from the Occupy Wall Street movement
 - Outreach effort: “Activist Archivists”
 - Includes broad range of document types and media (photos, videos, signs)...
 - With complicated rights issues (public videotaping, wary organizers)
 - Interesting findings about metadata stripping upon upload to social media
 - In sum, a possible Program; will refer to P&P committee
4. Paperwork for Banks/Harris award to Randy Silverman being finalized
5. Report from ALCTS Board from Carolynne Myall (president of ALCTS) and Genevieve Owens (president-elect of ALCTS)
 - Part of Reinventing ALCTS are the Advocacy Resources Networks
 - Division committee chaired by Olivia Madison will:
 - Do an environmental scan from which to
 - ID policy topics then
 - Distribute to policy tables via ALCTS Advocacy Coordination Group
 - A task force is surveying across ALCTS (incl. PARS) to compile all standards in development
 - For cataloging and metadata, there is a special joint committee with LITA called Cataloging and Metadata Development, which also has a RUSA liaison
 - Final Report has been submitted, covering
 - LRTS and other publishing (papers, monographs)
 - Seeking help identifying authors and content
 - Related to ALCTS’ open access policy, ALA has signed an agreement with the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign to host
 - ALAConnect for active matters
 - Institutional Repository for static material
 - Need to encourage more interaction with the New Members Round Table
 - Need to connect with the public more, with Preservation Week a shining example; share ideas with Carolynne, emailing cmvall@ewu.edu
 - Question from Jake: How about PARS as a canary in a coal mine with social media and website work? Carolynne: Sure
 - For Midwinter, with the new scheduling, if you plan to have IG meetings, need to plan for space, etc.; committees need to decide how to get their work done, including appointments and their cycles
 - Need to iron out some issues with awards notifications

- Genevieve: One immediate item is that the key to success for appointments to ALCTS is the list of volunteers for service, so
 - please complete the volunteer form on the ALCTS site;
 - appointments are easiest to manage when committee interests are detailed,
 - like current work, interests (incl. to be learned), and skills
 - Please say yes even when you do not get your first choice
 - Apps are accepted on a rolling basis, but ideally by Feb. 15.
- 6. Report from Martha Horan, PARS Rep to ALCTS Planning
 - Charge is Strategic Plan, Measuring Success
 - Emphasis on participation and marketing to new members
- 7. The joint ALA/SAA Committee on Archives, Libraries, and Museums needs a liaison
 - Holly expressed interest because she needs to include archives and museums in the Preservation statistics effort
- 8. Report from Book & Paper IG
 - 30 attendees to hear 4 speakers
- 9. Report from Digital Conversion IG
 - 49 attendees to hear 2 speakers
- 10. Minimum Capture guidelines document
 - Collected comments until December (22 via Connect, others directly)
 - Ian will handle revisions
 - Next draft for Annual
- 11. On virtual meetings and presentations, Jake noted the need for clear guidance from Charles W. (technical solutions involve costs, for example)
- 12. A general need for improved communication within PARS as well
- 13. Report on ALCTS Continuing Ed
 - “No more RDA webinars.”
 - Spring schedule set; looking to fill fall
 - Some webinar fatigue detected
 - Prospects include: AIC cert., Sandy topics, outreach to town clerks, bedbugs
 - On vital records, October is Archives month
- 14. Holly’s report on the Pres. Statistics survey
 - PS&P will help with next steps
 - Looking for simple, bigger, quicker
 - Question of unit of measure in some cases: What to count?
 - Annie will present results at Annual
 - Slated for April 1 to June 7 [later extended to June 25—DBL]
 - Exec to review survey draft
 - Will have a workshop at Promoting Pres.
 - Survey established that people are continuing to collect the data, with interest in reporting
- 15. Report from Web Working Group

- Pres. Week as a driver, as major public presence event?
 - Jake will arrange con call with Becky, Annie, and ALA (Helen, Christine) to hash out a plan to approach web work
16. Report from Mary Miller on Program Planning and Publications
- Mary is chair and vice-chair is Jessica Phillips
 - PresEd directory updated
 - Looking at editing Wikipedia entry of PresEd, perhaps in collaboration with NEDCC; also “history of”
 - Other publications topics include:
 - Pres 101, following up with Jeanne as an ALCTS publication
 - High density storage
 - Digital preservation, as LITA collaboration
 - Program ideas include:
 - 5th year anniversary of Pres. Week, targeting public libraries
 - Exhibits: mounting, legal aspects of loan agreements, etc.
 - Duracloud & Chronopolis
 - Training staff in collections care
 - Digital Preservation
 - Metadata and DP with ephemera
 - Successful fundraising
 - ALCTS publications news:
 - Conservation Labs
 - Jeanne: Emergency Response
 - ANO name change ahead
 - Shared print archiving related to Paul Conway’s study of digital quality
 - From Fall 2012:
 - PR aspects of publishing
 - Venues for Tech Services publishing
 - Recommendations are drafted; PPP will review
17. Motion: to inform IGs and committees which could meet virtually that they are not required to meet in person, and if they do, members would need to be informed at midwinter.
- Moved, seconded, passed unanimously
18. Report from Jessica on Programs
- No further changes for 2014 (1 to 1.5 hours)
 - Seeking different formats: café, led discussions, single speakers
 - The future of the pre-conference is virtual
 - An expressed need for more consistent, deliberative topics, less spontaneity
 - Permission documentation for recordings must not be omitted
19. Meeting adjourned at 11:32am

Respectfully submitted,

David Lowe



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