Report for Midwinter Meeting 2015

Name of Committee: **Scholarships & Study Grants Committee**

Committee Chair: Min Chou

Committee Members Present: Lynne O. King, Andrea R. Malone, Caitlin Moen, Tim Zou, Jené Brown (Intern), Annie Gaines (Intern), Kimberly Redd (Staff Liaison), Lorelle Swader (Staff Liaison)

Committee Members Absent: Michael Hughes, Amitra Madray, Gail Schlachter (Executive Board Liaison)

Others Present: Kim Olsen-Clark (Guest), Marie Pospichal (Guest)

Accomplishments [at this meeting], a concise account:

- The chair reported that jury members and chairs for the ALA scholarships (Century; Clift & Hoy; Drewes, Hornback, & Leisner; Mary V. Gaver, Peter Lyman Memorial/SAGE) were recruited and appointed. The chair expressed deep appreciation to Kimberly Redd and Lynne King (immediately past chair) for their support and help to the successful accomplishment of the work.
- The chair announced that the donor supported grant proposal for NMRT professional development was approved by the Committee, online through the ALA Connect.
- The Committee discussed and approved a proposal for a new donor supported grant for AASL.
- Lorelle Swader reported on the Campaign for Giving Tuesday activities that raised money for general endowments and scholarships.
- Kim Redd provided an overview of scholarship jury selection and training process to the Committee.
- The Committee discussed the ALA Strategic Planning process in advocacy, information policy, and professional and leadership development. The Committee brainstormed on these questions: What does success look like? How do we get there? How do we contribute?

Planned activities for upcoming year, a concise account:

- The chair will work with Kimberly Redd on the progress of scholarship juries.
- The Committee will continue to discuss the ALA Strategic Planning focusing on professional and leadership development.

Other comments/information you believe will help the Association in its work:

Committee members’ level of participation is to be commended:

- Annie and Tim volunteered to serve on scholarship juries; Jené volunteered to set up Doodle poll for scheduling future conference call; Jené volunteered to set up the Doodle poll; Andrea Malone and Annie Gaines took minutes and notes for meetings and discussions – just to name a few.
• All committee members participated in the online discussion and deliberation on NMRT grant proposal, sharing knowledge and related information.
• Quorum was established at midwinter committee meeting and the attendees could approve action items.
• Lorelle Swader and Kim Redd are always there to provide all the support needed.

Submitted by: _____Min Chou____________________

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