

## **LPSS General Membership Meeting Minutes**

ALA Annual Conference, June 29, 2008, 9:30am-10:00am,  
Doubletree, Tuscany F, Anaheim  
Recorder: Mary Gilles

### **1. Introductions and Call to Order**

Kelly Janousek, LPSS Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:30am.

### **2. Announcements**

Kelly announced the LPSS schedule for the remainder of the conference and noted that the Conference Program has been combined with the Forum.

Kelly announced that the ACRL Council of Liaison application has been submitted.

Erik Estep, in-coming Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, solicited volunteers to serve on the 2010 Conference Program Planning Committee and the 2009 Nominating Committee.

Ann Marshall, in-coming Chair, announced that LPSS committees may hold 2009 Midwinter Conference meetings virtually, either before conference or during conference. If committee members are attending Midwinter in-person the committee chair could hold the meeting at conference with members attending in person. Committee chairs will participate in person or virtually. Virtual meetings must be announced publicly before the meeting occurs; minutes should be taken and submitted. The General Membership meeting will be an in-person meeting at Midwinter. Ann will inform all LPSS committee members about these plans. She asked for volunteers for a follow-up task force; Kelly volunteered.

Ann announced that ACRL's Action Plans are an opportunity to try something new. LPSS has been funded to have a booth at the 2009 American Political Science Association (APSA) conference in Toronto. LPSS may involve the Western European Studies Section and the American Society for Information Science in this effort.

Ann announced that in an effort to add robust content to the LPSS website she is asking each member to submit one to three guides, handouts, or items of interest that will be linked from the website.

### **3. Committee Reports**

*Executive Committee / Kelly Janousek, Chair*

Kelly reported that the Executive Committee is working on an LPSS master schedule for conferences, the LPSS wiki, holding an event at the 2009 ACRL Conference in Seattle, and moving from bylaws to operating guidelines.

*Membership Committee / Bruce Pencek, Chair*

Bruce reported that LPSS membership has dropped. He wants members to encourage colleagues to volunteer for LPSS. He recommended that the Chair write a "Thank You" letter to send to all participating members.

*Review and Planning Committee / Connie Stoner, Chair*

Kathi Fountain reported that the committee is reviewing how to provide LPSS continuity on the ACRL Membership Advisory Committee, moving from section bylaws to operating guidelines and the content of the LPSS wiki.

*Vendor/Publisher Review Committee / Graham Walden, Chair*

Barbara Morgan, in-coming Chair reported that the committee plans to publish two reviews in the fall and two in the spring and is exploring holding a discussion session at 2009 ALA Annual Conference involving two publishers.

*Conference Program Planning – Chicago, 2009 / Chad Kahl, Chair*

Chad reported that the program will deal with civic engagement in higher education and will feature Nancy Kranich, a former ALA President and long-time advocate and promoter of civic engagement.

*Library Instruction / Kathi Fountain, Chair*

Kathi reported that the Political Science Research Competency Guidelines should be approved by ACRL today. Rubrics will be developed for faculty and the committee will develop materials for the LPSS booth at the 2009 APSA conference. The guidelines will be added to the LPSS wiki so members can contribute examples.

*Publications Committee / Dennis Lambert, Chair*

Bruce reported that the committee will be pulling together materials for the LPSS booth at the 2009 APSA conference. He noted that the ACRL website does not point to LPSS pathfinders. The deadline for submissions for the fall issue of LPSS News is September 10, 2008. The target length for articles is 500 words.

*Nominating Committee*

Erik reported that the positions to be filled are Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, Secretary, and Member-at-large.

#### **4. Liaison Reports**

*American Association of Law Librarians (AALL) / Merle Slyhoff*

Merle reported the AALL is focusing on vendor relations and fair business practices for publishers. She noted that the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws recently decided to create a Study Committee on "Online Authentication of Legal Materials."

*GODORT / John Hernandez*

John reported that the pre-conference LPSS co-sponsored entitled "Got Elections! Informing the Public" was a success. He also announced the day and time of the GODORT conference program entitled "Going Local: Statistical Resources for Business."

#### **5. Attending Give-aways and Adjournment**

Kelly interspersed the drawings throughout the meeting which she adjourned at 10:05am.