GODORT Legislation Committee conference call, May 24, 2017, 2:00pm Eastern Time

Present: Hallie Pritchett (Chair) Ambrogino Giusti, Simon Healey, Kate Tallman, Frank Lester, Marie Concannon (minute taker)

Hallie has contacted the Washington ALA office and asked who our new contact is, and if someone from their office could talk to us about advocacy at the upcoming ALA Annual meeting in Chicago. Their new lobbyist is Gavin Baker, and he will be in touch with Hallie next week. He will be at the Legislation Committee meeting on Sunday of ALA Annual.

Schedule for ALA Annual is posted on the GODORT wiki. Question about whether our meeting at ALA Annual (the Sunday Leg Comm meeting) can be virtual... Samantha says yes, it is possible and she can handle the technical parts. She’ll bring her laptop. Committee members who will be at ALA Annual: Simon, Marie, Hallie, Frank, Kate.

Last time, we had talked about putting out a survey. Hallie asks: Do we want to do a quick-and-dirty short survey with perhaps 5 questions? Or do we want to do something more in-depth, with brainstorming questions and present results at the 2018 ALA annual meeting? Committee members are in favor of doing the short survey now. Hallie says we could probably get the survey out in about a week, around May 31. Survey could run for two weeks, until around June 14. She says that gives enough lead time to present results at Annual. Hallie will make a Google Doc for us all to look at with sample questions or brainstorming items. She will get it out today and would like for us to look at it by Friday so she has a chance to get it released by May 31. All members approve.

Hallie will put the Shuler resolution on the GODORT wiki, as well as some past meeting minutes.

Regarding Preservation Working Group and the resolution to fund preservation of government information, Hallie gave an update on where it stands. There are two programs on preservation at ALA Annual. Kate is on the Monday afternoon panel and intends to highlight GPO’s good work with preservation stewards. She will be ready for any possible questions about it. GODORT may need to articulate their own position, should a question come up.

Hallie will talk to Shari about who will be the Chair of this committee for next year. Hallie and Kate are rotating off this committee in June after Annual. Hallie will also revisit the option of getting more members on this committee.

Meeting adjourned 2:39pm