

# Bylaws Minutes 2009 Annual

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Bylaws and Organization Committee  
Palmer House Hilton, Spire Parlor  
July 10, 2009  
4:10-5:30

Convenor: Valerie Glenn

Recorder: Valerie Glenn

Present: Valerie Glenn, Barbara Miller, Kevin Reynolds, John Stevenson (ex-officio)

Absent: Aimee Quinn

The Chair opened the meeting at 4:10 pm. Minutes from the Midwinter Meeting were approved by acclamation.

Changes to Chapter 9, Task Forces, Federal Documents Task Force were approved.

The majority of the meeting was spent discussing various issues surrounding the updating of the PPM. Some of the questions raised during the meeting will need to be answered by Steering. Others may be answered by the Strategic Plan and the Ad Hoc Committee on Communications (if it is approved).

Much discussion surrounded the group of web managers and the web presence. For instance, the FDTF section of the PPM mentions an Ad Hoc Committee on the GODORT Web Presence (undated in the PPM, but active ~Annual 1997). How do this former committee's recommendations apply to the current web presence? Should the current unofficial web managers group be a formal GODORT committee (it currently has no official role)? How does this group fit in with the communication plan? What do we do about GODORT-affiliated sites that do not reside on ALA servers? (And how is all of this archived?)

Decisions made:

The group agreed that there should be a consistent structure for the Task Force information and the Standing Committee chapters. For example, the FDTF section of the Task Force chapter includes a section entitled "Resources of Interest to the Community," where websites, etc., are mentioned. The Committee feels that if a Task Force or Committee has resources such as these, they should be included in an identically named section.

The Committee agreed that sample correspondence should be pulled out of the individual chapters of the PPM and placed in an Appendix.

Action Items:

The Chair will ask Steering to approve a policy change that will allow the PPM to be updated twice each year, after the Midwinter Meeting and the Annual Conference, instead of once each year.

The Chair should ask the incoming GODORT Chair to charge the incoming Steering Committee members with

reviewing their chapter of the PPM within their first month of service.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 pm.

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