

GODORT Steering Committee
Tuesday, March 26, 2019
3:00 PM ET/2:00 PM CT/1:00 PM MT/12:00 PM PT
Virtual Meeting

Hallie Pritchett, Chair
Julia Frankosky, Secretary

Introductions and Announcements

Present: Hallie Pritchett, Samantha Hager, Julia Frankosky, Sarah Erikson, Will Stringfellow, Vicki Tate, Emily Rogers, Katie Cuyler, Gwen Sinclair, Bill Sudduth, Shari Laster, Aimee Quinn, Andrea Craley, Andrea Morrison, Brett Cloyd, Kay Cassell, Rachel Dobkin, Rebecca Hyde, Rick Mikulski, Susanne Caro, Kris Kasianovitz

Treasurer's Report

Rebecca Hyde provided an update on the budget.

Old Business

Ad Hoc Committee on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Update (Shari Laster): The group has not convened since asking GODORT membership for feedback, so there is no new update.

Technology Committee Proposal Discussion:

- Rachel Dobkin is concerned that we are not immediately including content creators in this proposal. Rachel would like Steering to first establish what our ultimate goal/vision is for the website and our overall web presence.
- Hallie Pritchett: because of the Drupal interface and ALA's preference to have a limited number of people to have editing permissions, we need to establish this small committee to ensure we comply with ALA and allow for our content to be updated in a timely and appropriate manner. Individual committees would still be responsible for creating the content on their own pages, then sending that content to this committee for posting. At this time, the focus of this committee will be on the technological aspects of web presence management.
- Sarah Erikson: Since ALA prefers that few people have the ability to edit our webpages, why does this work need to be done by a committee and not just a website administrator?
- Hallie: updating these pages is far too much work for just one person and it is best to build a system that allows for multiple (2-3) people to update the site to ensure it is accomplished in a timely manner. Relying solely on 1 person to update all the pages

could leave us in a situation where that person is overwhelmed and content is not kept up-to-date.

- Andrea Morrison: historically, the Publications Committee oversaw the content of the website but it became too much for that committee. We might want to add to the proposal that the overall content of the website is the responsibility of the officers of Steering to ensure that all the content, even that not within the scope of specific committees, is assigned to someone.
- Rebecca Hyde: social media needs to be updated often (weekly or more, ideally) and that content needs to be regularly created and posted.
- Hallie: content for social media would still have to be created by other committees (like Membership) and not this committee, as this committee would strictly be responsible for posting whatever is created and ensuring permissions are updated.
- Sarah: social media is more complicated than the website and not set up in the same manner. Because of this, social media should be excluded from this proposal.
- Hallie: clarification about who is responsible for social media does need to be addressed. The goal of this proposal is to get this committee in place with the expectations that we will need to expand on details as time goes on. There are other issues to be considered as we move forward; this is just a starting point for how we will manage our web presence to ensure that the main access-point for GODORT is updated with useful, timely content for current and prospective members.
- Shari Laster recommended that this conversation continue over email before a vote is called.

Proposal to rename IDTF and SLDTF as Interest Groups (Hallie Pritchett): Hallie provided a written proposal to Steering via email prior to this meeting. The purpose of the dissolution of these two task forces and the creation of two interest groups in their place is because the term 'task force' is confusing to conference attendees and can make their meetings seem private and exclusive.

- Shari recommended that we consider these two task forces separately. IDTF does have ongoing projects and priorities and this change should not happen without discussing this proposed change with the group during their meeting at Annual. The chair of IDTF might also want to still be a member of Steering and if this group is changed to an interest group, the chair would no longer be a member of Steering. As the current chair of IDTF, Jim Church, was not able to attend this meeting, further discussion regarding IDTF will be tabled.
- The change of SLDTF to an interest group was discussed in person during their meeting at Midwinter and the opinion of those in the meeting was that it would be best if this group became an interest group. The role of chair for this task force has been particularly hard to fill in the past and this group is currently without a chair. Members of Steering believe it would be easier to find a chair for this group as an interest group as it would not require participation on Steering and the interest group aspect would allow the group to exist as more of a discussion group.

- Susanne Caro moved to dissolve the State and Local Documents Task Force. Andrea Morrison seconded.
 - 10 voted in favor, with one abstention. State and Local Documents Task Force was dissolved.
- Susanne Caro moved to create the State and Local Documents Interest Group. Aimee Quinn seconded.
 - 12 voted in favor, no abstentions. The State and Local Documents Interest Group was created.

Potential GODORT Liaisons. Tabled and will be discussed via email.

Continue Discussion of the Future of the Midwinter Meeting. Tabled.

New Business

Rachel Dobkin's email from March 26 regarding the role of Steering will be added to the agenda for the April meeting.

Susanne Caro will be sending out calls for committee members in the next month or so.

Emily Rogers, chair of Awards, asked if GODORT intends to sponsor an Emerging Leader. Steering members agreed that we should continue to sponsor an Emerging Leader.

Vicki Tate will be sending out requests to update certain chapters in the PPM to the appropriate chairs.

Gwen Sinclair moved to adjourn; Aimee Quinn seconded.