

## SRRT Action Council & Membership Virtual Meeting

June 24, 2021

### Attending:

April Sheppard, Sherre Harrington, Jane Cothron, Al Kagan, Tom Twiss, Mark Hudson, Wendy Stephens, Mark Winston, Steven Phalen, Lajuan Pringle, Doreen Dixon, Amber Hayes (ODLOS), Monica Chapman (ODLOS liaison), Tara Brady, Mike Marlin, Lennis Sullivan, Julie Winkelstein, Diedre Conkling, Suzan Alteri, Mary Gazdik, Tara Murphy, Barbara Ford, Katharine Phenix, Wanda Huffaker, Ed Garcia, Gerardo Colmenar, Judy Czarnik, Tina Coleman, Carrie Cullen, Tina Gross, M. Alan Thomas II, Laura Koltutsky, Olivia Scully, Nicole Cooke, Simon Healey, Ashley Huser, Andrea Lemoins, Eric Gomez, Bernadine Abbott Hoduski, Lisa Eichholtz, Regina Beach-Bertin, Kevin Strowder, Charles Kratz, Sarah Brewer

### Agenda:

Note: We only have an hour, so please stay on topic.

Note: Due to time constraints: Instead of going around and having Action Council members introduce themselves, please put your office, AC membership, or task force representation next to your name in Zoom.

#### I. Approval of 2020-2021 SRRT Minutes/Notes: <https://www.ala.org/rt/srrt/minutes>

Sherre moved, Wendy Stephens 2nded. Approved.

#### II. 2021-2022 Action Council Officer Election (April Sheppard)

A. SRRT Coordinator-Elect: April Sheppard (Sherre, Julie nominated). Elected by acclamation.

B. Secretary: Jane Cothron (April Sheppard, Charles Kratz nominated, Sherre Harrington seconded). Elected by acclamation.

C. Treasurer: Charles Kratz. Elected by acclamation.

D. Nominations chair: Usually the Past-coordinator; Charles Kratz will continue since April Sheppard is the coordinator-elect.

E. Membership chair: Al Kagan. (April Sheppard nominated, Charles Kratz seconded.) Elected by acclamation.

F. Biblo Award.

1. Charles Kratz, Laura Koltutsky, and Katharine Phenix volunteered. Do volunteers need to be AC members? Charles Kratz will research the issue. Sherre Harrington will send out a request for volunteers after this meeting.

2. Here is the info for the Biblo award committee appointments. Selection of Jury to Administer the Award The grants committee will consist of three SRRT members, of which one will be designated coordinator. The SRRT Coordinator will make the appointments for three-year terms. There are no term limits. The committee members will preferably have sufficient experience in SRRT in order to better evaluate applications. The committee will work with the ALA staff liaison in helping with publicity and evaluation of procedures. The committee may also engage in fundraising.

III. Brief Executive Board Update (Ed Garcia) – Gave brief overview of Talking Points. Leaving Executive Board for COL. Will continue to be SRRT member and work with joint SRRT/COL meetings.

\*Thanks for being the SRRT representative on the Executive Board.

IV. Council Resolutions (Tara Brady)

A. Resolution on Code of Ethics: April Sheppard moved to endorse, Al Kagan & Mark Hudson 2nded. Vote to endorse. Can make statement of things SRRT would like improved, i.e. needs to be actionable, stronger language. 1 abstain, 1 against. Motion passed.

Nicole: I was on that task force to create this statement and there was some opposition to the use of “aggressive” language. Hence the way it’s written.

B. LOC subject heading resolutions: (from Violet Fox, Tina Gross, Jill Baron (Dartmouth); 2 versions proposed). LoC being conservative about “illegal aliens” subject headings - refuse to say anything. Time to say something now that new administration? Tina Gross: 2 separate resolutions, both ongoing; if LOC addresses the Illegal aliens subject heading then the first resolution will not go forward; the second will be pursued.) Neither resolution has been officially submitted. Would like SRRT endorsement and vote. (moved to endorse in principle, April Sheppard, 2nd Wendy Stephens) Motion passed.

C. IFC resolutions. Tara will support, no SRRT endorsement needed.

1. Resolution on free speech.

2. Resolution in support of open educational resources.

D. Resolutions on the future of Council. Tara has several options in mind.

==>ODLOS liaison to ethnic affiliates is Amber Hayes.

Tara Brady needs feedback on resolution by 5:00 Central time. AI: Committees of Council needs to be addressed in the resolution so that they remain Council committees, reporting to Council.

Charles Kratz: has Tara been in touch with the Round Table Coordinating Committee==>for support in Council.

V. Word from our incoming Coordinator (Sherre Harrington)

1. Thanks to April Sheppard as AC Coordinator over the past year.
2. July 8, 2nd Afternoon of Social Justice (programs on homelessness, activism in libraries, MLK event to be replayed; will be recorded and available in YouTube)
3. SRRT will continue virtual meetings. All communication moves to ALA Connect on June 28.

VI. Next meeting: July 8, 2021. 2nd Afternoon of Social Justice (programs on homelessness, activism in libraries, MLK event to be replayed; the programs will be recorded and available in YouTube)