

# 2018 February Executive Board Meeting Minutes

**Saturday, February 10, 2018, 8:30 am MST (Local Time in Denver CO)**

Capitol Peak A (Floor 38<sup>th</sup>)

Grand Hyatt, Denver CO

## **1. Chair, Jen Maguire-Wright called the meeting to order at 8:30 am**

Executive Board members present: Jen Maguire-Wright, Ana Elisa de Campos Salles, Matt Ciszek, Deb Sica, Sherry Machones, Cat Walker, Lisa Johnston, Sukrit Goswami, Ann Symons, Liz De Coster. Trevor Dawes (ALA Executive Board Liaison), Briana Jarnagin (ODLOS staff liaison), Sanhita SinhaRoy (American Libraries Liaison). GLBTRT Emerging Leaders in attendance: Stephen Krueger, Katherine Van Arsdale, Jessica Thorlakson, Allison DeVito & Javier Garibay. Peter Hepburn the ALA Presidential candidate was also in attendance for a brief period of time.

## **2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

The agenda for the February 2018 Executive Board Meeting was amended by adding the following items on to the agenda:

1. Introductions (In the beginning)
2. Discussion on the web procedures and the google site (at the end)
3. Update on the Round Table Coordinating Assembly)

Deb moved the motion to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Matt. Motion carried unanimously.

Sherry made the motion to approve January 2018 Executive Board and January membership minutes, seconded by Matt. The minutes were approved unanimously.

## **3. Introductions** were made amongst the attendees.

## **4. ALA Executive Board's Liaison Report**

Trevor Dawes shared ALA Executive Board's news/updates with GLBTRT Executive Board:

Launched ALA Policy Core

12 members very actively

Mary is appointed as the Executive Director of ALA

There will be a membership wide voting on the requirement of MLS or not for the Executive Director's position

Pre-registration for Denver was 7K.

Overall ALA membership level increased

Update from Yesterday's ALA Executive Board meeting:

- Congress funding

- Senate proposed increase in funding for libraries

- Our advocacy efforts are not done, because there is a chance for funding cut

- Sustainability report will be available at ALA annual

- Environmental, financial & social

Washington DC office

Currently 23.4 funds are in SR funds

After his update Trevor opened the forum for questions.

Q. Jen asked about the press release on IFLA

Trevor will update the GLBTRT Executive Board after ALA Executive Board's meeting on Monday.

Jen briefed the EB on what's going on regarding IFLA. Trevor invited everyone to attend ALA EB meeting as these meetings are open to public.

Ann Symons stated that GLBTRT should be mentioned in any communication or press release regarding this issue.

GLBTRT membership has increased. We have 4 GLBTRT members on the Council.

Q. Where do we stand on the name change?

We will be officially doing "some kind" of name change at our 50 years anniversary in 2020.

Alan requested that IFC needs to know that IFLA has been a concern. Jen will send a draft statement for IFC to Alan. Jen asked the ALA EB to consider more gender neutral bathrooms at future conferences. It was discussed that we need to keep bringing up this issue until ....

(Trevor left at 8:51 am)

## 5. ODLOS Report

Briana Jarnagin updated the EB with ODLOS activities:

- Kristin is now assistant director of .....

- Spectrum Scholarship

- Spectrum raised \$ ... 10 K was from an anonymous donor.

- Started working with 6<sup>th</sup> round of ...

We are bringing them out in PHL PLA

#### **6. Treasurer's Report and Budget**

Liz will provided her monthly update on the Round Table's finances. *(See attached)*

#### **7. Next Year (2018-2019) Budget**

Action: Discussion on next year budget

Item Facilitator: Liz DeCoster

Vote: No

Supporting Information: Liz will have BARC breakdown for the Executive Board to discuss next year budget.

#### **8. GLBTRT Councilor Report**

Ann K. Symons reported that she ran into ALA parliamentarian Eli XXX

A resolution to the roadblock on diversity in leadership

We want to let them know that diversity include LGBT individuals.

Ann informed that there was discussion on the Voting procedure and process on MLIS requirement for the ALA Executive Director position

Ann informed the GLBT-RT on the Council Forums

Forums should not replace debates in council forums

This is a place to discuss larger issues

Forums are informational meetings of ...

We would like Ann to bring to forum, the "diversity" resolution.

IFLA

<http://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/council/documents/2018>

#### **9. Emerging Leaders**

Ana Elisa de Campos Salles gave an update regarding the work staff at the ALA archive has been doing on our behalf.

They (The new emerging leaders?) met for the first time yesterday?

Chair, Jen welcomed the new emerging leaders. Each emerging leader then introduced themselves to the board.

Ann mentioned that they have access to lots of documents in archives.

SRRT documents are online at ALA website. These documents go back 50 years. Some goes back only until 2008. Mat informed the board that before PDF versions we had print versions, those documents are now digitized, and are available.

There was discussion on GLBTRT's turning 50, Deb mentioned that there are other groups that are turning 50 as well in 2020.

The emerging leaders were informed that there is a listserv available for them to use.

#### **10. Report from Peter Hepburn**

Peter Hepburn (ALA candidate for President) introduced himself to GLBTRT. He talked about how he can be a supporter of GLBTRT if he is elected as the President. He requested information on our priorities

#### **11. Google Site**

We need to start updating content on google site

Ameillia can start putting them up

Jen stressed that we all need to participate in it.

Ana Elisa suggested bullet points on what Directors at Large do.

It is very flexible and great position to work at. You can follow your passion.

We should look at our procedure manual as well.

Web committee started the google site. It should be consolidated

Deb expressed that we would like to have a functioning ALA connect

Jen – LLAMA is their pilot for ALA connect, and mentioned that we can look these up.

April 26 is the date of the full roll out. On march 26, the Connect will be unavailable until its new rollout. There is no way to communicate via connect until then, but we can use the listservs.

It was discussed that the new connect will have some limitations. It can't be private. It will be available to the committee or to everyone. No other option.

Default setting will be private, but we can request otherwise. We would like to have the content on the book committees private.

Please note down the groups you are part of in the current/old connect, because they might not migrate to the new connect and you will have to manually add them over there.

New connect will have images of varying sizes.

Jen? Deb? All the committees are full. We have XX number of standing committees. We have two cycles of calls for volunteers, and two cycles for appointing members on the committees.

We have 3 official book committees:

1. Over the rainbow
2. Check 2:16:10 for the names of the awards and the committees
- 3.

Regular committees can be virtual except EB

Book committees, midwinter attendance is required, and the chairs have to be at ALA Annual.

Currently we are allowing "Over the Rainbow", and "Rainbow" booklist ...

**12. Executive Session: Information on Awards Nominations**

Jen Maguire-Wright led the discussion of the non-book awards.

**13. Announcements/Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.