

2015 May Executive Board Meeting Agenda & Minutes

Thursday, May 7, 3 pm CST

Location: Conference Call Dial - (605) 475-4700

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Attendees: A. Symons, P. Coyl, A. de Campos Salles, R. Hansen, I. Abrams, M. Ciszek, and M. Townley

Guests: J. Amundsen

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Action: Callers present should introduce themselves.

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information: N/A

Minutes: The meeting was called to order at 3 pm CST.

2. Approval of Agenda

Action: Approve agenda for the May 2015 Executive Board meeting.

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information:

Minutes: The agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

Action: Approve minutes from April 2015 Executive Board meeting.

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information: <http://connect.ala.org/node/238759>

Minutes: The minutes were approved.

4. Treasurer's Report

Action: Update & Discussion

Item Facilitator: Dale McNeill

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information:

Revenue

Actual YTD \$21,664/\$14,752 budgeted

Dues YTD: \$6,868 actual/\$6,127 budgeted

Sales (seals): \$9,595

Meal Functions: \$520 –Cash donations from the MW social – we'll work with accounting to get this moved to the donations line.

Donations: \$2,863

Royalties: \$1,818 - Includes \$1,800 in Stonewall Digital Image royalties and the remainder are royalties from EBSCO

Expenses

Actual \$8,469/\$13,962 budgeted

The expenses that hit since the February report include:

Meal Functions: \$250 reimbursement for Ann for ACRL Social and \$121 reimbursement to Roland for items from MW social (remainder is other MW Social expenses as noted in previous report)

Endowment

According to the March 2015 report, the endowment has \$233,162 net balance.

Full March administration and endowment statements can be found here: <http://connect.ala.org/node/238744>

Minutes: Dale was unable to make the call. Revenues for March were over budget and expenditures were under budget.

5. June is GLBT Book Month

Action: Update

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons/Peter Coyl

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information:

Minutes: A working group of ALA staff and RT members have created a forward thinking "to do" list for June is GLBT Book Month. Some of what needs to be done can be done before ALA Annual. This is an ongoing project. The goal is to promote what we can in the next 7 weeks. The ALA Store sent out an eBlast highlighting the bookmarks and poster along with the Stonewall Award pins and seals.

In a similar vein, GLBTRT is working in collaboration with Lambda Literary to include our Rainbow booklist as part of their new "GLBT Writers in the School" program. There will be a press release when everything is finalized.

6. Request for Input on Interpretation to Library Bill of Rights

Action: Update

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information: <http://connect.ala.org/node/238746>

Deadline for comments is May 27th.

Minutes: Members indicated that they had not had time to read the documents and asked about the changes. Ann agreed to contact Doug Archer, Chair of IFC to get documents showing changes. These will be sent to the board. Comments from the Board are due to the Chair by May 22nd.

7. ALA Annual Conference San Francisco

Pride Parade Monitors needed:

ALA Conference services have sent a message to all who purchased tickets with a request to volunteer.

Minutes: It would seem that the message has not been sent yet, since several board members are ticket holders for the Pride Parade but have not received a message yet. We are still looking for 5+ monitors.

ALA Annual 2015 Social

Supporting Information: Invitations have gone out to Spectrum Scholars. Additional Guests: SFPL Staff, ALA Executive Board?

Minutes: There are no size and space concerns, largely due to the fact that the SFPL has some outside courtyard type space. There will be a short program held at the social, which will last no longer than 20 minutes. The first speaker, provided by SFPL, will talk about Harvey Milk. The second speaker will talk about Jose Sarria, a San Francisco activist who was the first openly gay candidate for office in the USA. Spectrum will also offer some welcome words – Holly Smith has agreed to speak on behalf of the Spectrum Scholars. It promises to be a fun and packed house event! ALA staff is coordinating catering with SFPL.

Executive Board Meeting Time/ Getting to Membership Meeting

Do we want to start the board meeting ½ hour early and end ½ hour early or do we want to cut the board meeting by ½ hour?

Minutes: Our executive board and membership meetings are NOT in the same hotel. We have tried but were unable to co-locate these meetings in the same building or same room. There are 3 blocks

between the two hotels. It was moved and seconded to end the meeting half an hour early to allow for travel time between locations.

GLBRT PreConference: # of attendees to date is:

John Amundsen will provide # on Thursday.

Minutes: We currently have 18 people registered, meaning we are 7 people from the minimum. We expect to meet the minimum by early June. David Levithan has just been confirmed as a panelist. John Amundsen is going to place notices about the preconference, June is GLBT Book Month, and the GLBT pavilion in the May 28th digital issue of Cognotes. An email was sent to the listserv promoting the preconference.

New Board Orientation – Friday afternoon/Do we want to continue this?

Minutes: All who attended last year's new board orientation found it very helpful. Ideally, the chair, past chair, treasurer, and secretary should attend, in addition to all newly elected board members. However, everyone on the board is welcome to attend. Our new board orientation will be held at 2 pm on Friday, June 26th. The location is to be determined.

Tugg Films

Supporting Information:

Dear GLBTRT Board,

I'm writing in hopes of forging a connection at ALA Annual. I work for Tugg, a web-platform that enables individuals, groups, and organizations to setup personalized film screenings in theaters, libraries and community venues across the country. We recently started working with two longtime distributors of LGBT films, [Breaking Glass Pictures](#), and [Wolfe VIdéo](#). We work closely with the filmmakers to help them connect with the right community.

A couple distributors responsible for these films are going to be in attendance at ALA in order to represent their films, and I'm looking for opportunities for them to engage with various groups within ALA. I'm wondering if there are any events or activities at ALA that they could be included in or even participate in, such as a panel discussions Tugg

would even be willing to sponsor a screening of one of the films for the GLBTRT members. We are really open to anything! I'm also a member of the Video Round Table (VRT) so it would be nice to collaborate on something like this.

I would love to hear your thoughts! Kind Regards,

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Minutes: Given that time and ALA's advance planning is an issue with the Annual schedule set at this point, working with Tugg will be considered after Annual Conference.

8. GLBTRT Award Proposal

Action: Information

Item Facilitator: Peter Coyl

Vote: Yes

Supporting Information: <http://connect.ala.org/node/238747>

Minutes: The full proposal is on Connect. The goal is to establish a new award given annually, but by the RT. The donors have asked to remain anonymous until the board approves the proposal. It was moved and seconded to establish this new award. The award proposal will be sent to the Board before being submitted to the ALA Awards Committee for their consideration.

9. ALA/GLBTRT Response to Supreme Court Gay Marriage Decision June 2015

Action: Discussion

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons/Peter Coyl

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information: The Supreme Court ruling on Gay Marriage will likely be handed down in late June. What will our response be? Do we want ALA to have a press release ready [two] as it is likely that it will be during conference? Tie to libraries: Open to all?

Minutes: Ingrid and Roland agreed to work on draft statements of two responses (one for gay marriage passing and one for gay marriage failing). These draft statements will be provided in time for conference call in June. Our statements will be ready for release if the Supreme Court's ruling is announced during conference.

10. 2016 Emerging Leader Program

Action: Information

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: Yes

Supporting Information: Affirm that we are sponsoring one GLBTRT Emerging Leader for 2016 program; Do we want to put in a project proposal? Deadline:

Minutes: It was moved and seconded to affirm the sponsorship of a 2016 Emerging Leader and to appropriate \$1,500 as the RT's sponsorship. The Board also discussed submitting an EL proposal focused on June is GLBT Book.

11. Appropriate Cataloging for This Day in June/Response to RT Member Jess Alexander

Action: Information

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote:

Supporting Information: Request to Pursue a New Dewey Number for This Day in June <http://connect.ala.org/node/238745>

Minutes: After discussion, the board took no action on this issue, reiterating local libraries make their own cataloging and classification decisions.

12. Advocacy Committee: Charge

Action: Information

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information:

Minutes: Not all our members were able to be present, so this item was tabled until the June meeting. Ana Elisa volunteered to draft a charge.

13. Announcements:

Action: Information

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Supporting Information:

GLBTRT Conference call for June will be:

Thursday June 18 at 4 PM CDT

Minutes: None.

14. Adjournment

Action: Information

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Supporting Information:

Minutes: The call was adjourned at 4 pm CST.