

2018 September Executive Board Meeting Agenda

Friday, September 28, 2018, 12:00 pm EST

Members Present: Ann Symons, Jen Maguire-Wright, Cat Walker, Lisa Johnston, Ann Moore, Ana Elisa de Campos Salles, David Isaak, Megan Drake, Casey McCoy-Simmons

1. Call to Order

Ana Elisa called the meeting to order at 12 o'clock

2. Approval of Agenda & Minutes

The **agenda** for the September 2018 Executive Board Meeting was approved.

There were no minutes to approve.

3. Treasurer's Report and Budget

No updates on the Treasurer's Report and Budget. Ann Symons asked for clarification if endowment funds were restricted to Stonewall Book Awards. There is no ALA requirement to spend down endowment. Megan shared that Liz said we were getting to a point we needed to start spending that interest money.

- Stonewall expenses coming from operating budget because it is financially robust. Shift non-endowed funding to operating budget. Spend more for Stonewall (plaques, green room snacks, supporting authors to attend awards, etc.) from the endowed funds restricted to book awards.
- Ana Elisa will reach out to Briana to find out any restrictions or requirements for annual endowment spending.

4. GLBTRT Councilor Report

Ann Symons reported that ALA Councilors voted by mail in August to rescind meeting room interpretation passed in Council 3 at Annual. Reverted back to 1991 meeting room version. Will talk about substantive issues when we get the report from the committee putting together a new interpretation that was circled widely for comments.

5. GLBTRT Awards

Start soliciting for the 3 big awards (non-book) – live and ready to go

- Megan Drake will draft email to promote award and ask for nominations
- Board help to share widely via listservs and social media

6. GLBTRT Name Change Update

Megan and Ana Elisa reached out to people in ALA about official procedure to get name changed and learned that it would only be an information item at Council. RT membership is the only real vote.

- David Isaak suggested holding another vote on top 5 to pick one as a real alternative for the ballot.
 - Include a deeper explanation
 - Cat Walker requested to conduct another survey for members and add LGBTQ or LGBT as an option
- Megan Drake to verify the steps and deadline to get on the Spring 2019 ballot

- Whatever name is chosen (new or same) will be the name of the Gala
 - Nothing printed yet and if we knew in 2019 we'd be fine
 - If name change waits until 2020, there is no time to promote with new name – deadlines past for things like American Libraries
- Vote: Effort to get name change in 2019 ballot (after final round of 4-5 choices barometer test to membership with explanation of process. Choose one -- Ana Elisa check with Briana.)
 - No opposition

7. Procedure Manual Update

Tabled. Information item if someone has extra time / downtime, work on sections of the procedural manual. Share drafts on board listserv and when done send to Amelia Vander Heide.

8. Update on GLBTRT Social in Seattle, MW 2019

Ann Symons discussing things with Nancy – have had no contact from Nancy after reaching out multiple times. Ann continue to reach out to see if she is working on it (Nancy said she was last they spoke).

9. GLBTRT 50th anniversary golden jubilee Ad-hoc Committee Charge

Agenda items 9 & 10 combined. David requested feedback from Exec Board about event ideas (“vision statements”). The Committee is working on planning two events: a free social for all to attend followed by the Gala, which will be a ticketed dinner event. Discussions have started about how to make the Gala accessible by offering tickets at various price points.

- Official charge put together by committee:
 - Designs and plans the social events for the ALA Annual 2020 meeting -- a ticketed 50th Anniversary Gala and free GLBTRT social meet-up -- including securing a location, recruiting speakers, developing program, and planning the menu. Will coordinate with other RT groups who will take the lead on specific aspects of the 50th Anniversary including fundraising (Fund Raising Committee), social media promotion (News Committee), printed Gala program (Resources Committee), and oral history collection/exhibits (Emerging Leader Project Teams).
 - Additions or Corrections: Include Advocacy to help with donors, partners, and to remove “social media”
 - Vote: Ana Elisa 2nd, motion passes (Lisa joined the call for vote)

10. GLBTRT 50th anniversary Ad-hoc committee Vision Statement

Combined with item 9.

11. GLBTRT 50th anniversary T-shirt Fundraiser

Cut due to time.

12. Emerging Leaders Project Proposal Review

Ana Elisa sent out proposal this morning. Need edits and feedback ASAP. Due October 5. Can still tack on 4th year of ELs for specific Gala project or create an ad hoc committee.

13. Executive Session: Vote to Sponsor Emerging Leaders

The board deliberated on an Emerging Leader to sponsor from possible GLBTRT member candidates and selected their first choice, first alternate, and second alternate.

14. Attending conference: Requirement for book committee members?

Ana Elisa will reach out to OTR and Rainbow Book List chairs for feedback on next year's committees being completely virtual. New language to require technology skills/software/etc. will need to be added.

15. Announcements/Adjournment

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM.