

## **ACRL-OR Board Meeting Minutes**

August 12, 2016, 12:00 – 3:00 pm  
Mt. Hood Community College

**Attendees:** Uta Hussong-Christian - chairing (Oregon State), Stephanie Debner – minutes (MHCC), Jennifer Snoek-Brown (MHCC), Kate Rubick (Lewis & Clark), Bryan Miyagishima (LBCC), Hannah Rempel (OSU), Garrett Trott (Corban), Serenity Ibsen (PNCA), Steve Silver (Northwest Christian)

Via GoToMeeting: Arlene Weible (State Library), Aja Bettencourt-McCarthy (OIT), Jen Klaudinyi (PCC), Molly Gunderson (PSU)

### **1. Welcome and Introductions**

- Introduce new members

### **2. Changes to Agenda**

- None

### **3. Approval of May 2016 Minutes - Uta**

- Garrett motioned to approve minutes as written.
- Kate seconded.
- The motion passed unanimously.

### **4. Budget Report - Uta**

- Shirley has started creating a regular profit and loss report for us.
- Uta also created a separate Menucha budget document that she handed out. Note that the projections leave ACRL with a negative balance for the event. This, plus the drawdown strategy, means that the board will need to start looking carefully at what we are doing.
- There are possible increases for food cost at Menucha this year, up to \$250. Uta is waiting for confirmation on this.
- Uta explained the current drawdown strategy for new members of the board.

### **5. OLA Board Meeting Reports – Stephanie/Uta/Hannah**

- June Board Meeting (Stephanie)
  - OLA Conference Report: Liisa Sjoblom claimed that the Riverhouse reimbursed everyone who was displaced with one night's stay. The conference did quite well, bringing in much more than anticipated, and attendance was also high.
  - A good part of the meeting was spent working with the consultants on the strategic plan, with a focus on the mission, vision, and unique role of OLA. The consultants left with direction to make some tweaks to these areas, and use them to move forward with a more fully articulated strategic plan.
  - The board approved the proposal put forward for the leadership development scholarship (see OLA website for the full proposal). There will be a separate group/task force appointed to take on the fundraising component of this program; the Leadership committee was tasked with developing a proposal for existing funds only.
- OLA Strategic Planning Retreat Meeting Update (Uta)

- Upcoming OLA conference: Wednesday through Saturday, to allow OASL members to participate. Large author event at Salem PL on Friday night with Maggie Stiefvater. Theme of the conference is Thriving Together.
- ACRL-OR will need to provide a representative to the Conference Program Committee. Commitment is August to January. Please let Uta know by end of August if you are interested in being on this committee.
- The strategic plan is not quite finalized, but when it is, will go out to all members.
  - The plan's four main themes are:
    - Enhance and expand OLA professional development opportunities and programs
    - Improve the means and effectiveness of OLA communication
    - Strengthen OLA's leadership and advocacy role across Oregon
    - Increase engagement in OLA and enrich the membership experience
  - The Top 5 initiatives to undertake (to support the themes) are:
    - Website refresh (over the coming year)
    - Eastern/rural Oregon outreach
    - Advocacy
    - Pass on institutional knowledge
  - Develop and target outreach
- Robin Rolfe, the outgoing OASL chair, talked to Uta and Stephanie about connecting the ACRL board with OASL board members, with an eye to talk about the K-20 continuum and ACRL/OASL collaboration. Possible opportunities include sending ACRL members to the OASL fall conference, funding OASL/ACRL collaboration, and collaborations for the OLA spring conference (2017) and OASL fall conference (2017).
- Update from the OLA/OASL Integration Task Force (Hannah)
  - They are going to sunset as a task force. Encourage people to think of programming that might be a good fit for Saturday.
  - Uta mentioned that a potential area of collaboration is working with OASL on the grade-level standards that they just got LSTA funding for.

## **6. Legislative Report – Uta for John**

- Working on increasing funding for Ready to Read initiative, but not moving forward due to Initiative 65 re: preventing high school dropouts.
- Another initiative (28) re: corporate tax, with the idea that it is going to education. Garrett pointed out that the money is earmarked to the general fund, not specifically for education.
- Committee doesn't support Initiative 65 (Oregonians for High School Success), which requires funding for drop-out prevention and career and college readiness but doesn't include new funding to do so.
- HECC funding awarded to create OERs for top 15 transfer classes in state, given to 2- and 4-year colleges.
- Legislative days: Carla Hayden new Librarian of Congress; "illegal aliens" not removed as LC subject heading; Senate rejected proposed \$1.1mil LSTA cuts and increased LSTA funding by almost \$1.1 million.

## **7. Annual Report Updates – Uta**

- ACRL-OR annual report for OLA
- ACRL-OR annual report for ACRL National

- **Action: Uta** will send out the report for ACRL National to the membership. The reports live on the wiki, but perhaps should also live on the website for broader access. Uta will touch base with **Aja** about this.

## 8. Scholarship Committee Updates – Hannah/Kate/Annie

- K12/Academic collaboration scholarship had no applicants; there will be a new cycle for this in the fall. Hannah noted that if there continues to be lack of interest in this scholarship, the board might want to put its efforts elsewhere.
  - Bryan noted that the shift to having Saturday programming for OASL members is a cultural shift, and it may take a few years for OASL members to take advantage of funding that would help with a collaborative project (that would be presented as a Saturday session?).
  - Garrett said that the connection between ACRL and OASL may need to be developed. Suggestions to re-brand scholarship with K-20 language; co-sponsor with OASL (and they could contribute funds, too); joint announcements (so they're not just coming from us)
  - Arlene noted that the number of school librarians in Oregon is small.
- Professional Development scholarship for this cycle awarded to Darci Adolf from Oregon Coast Community College. There will be a blog post about this soon. Hannah commented that she thought that this was a better use of our money, rather than getting webinars that people may or may not attend.
- Fall Conference Scholarship. Previous years, two scholarships offered: “regular” and paraprofessional scholarship. This year, we have attempted to streamline this to have one application for both options.
  - Kate explained some of the new features of the application form, including the optional travel stipend and the ratings system for evaluating applications.
  - Jennifer SB asked if applicants could “stack” points if they were eligible in multiple categories. If so, this should be clarified.
  - Bryan asked if we were willing to add another category for PT librarians. The group consensus was that this would be good to add, and assign it a point value of one.
  - Do we need to add language about live/work in Oregon to qualify? That language can be brought over from a previous form.
  - Travel stipend: change language to “travel reimbursement”; add language about needing to provide documentation about mileage travelled for reimbursement.
  - **Action: Kate** will update the form with suggested edits/clarifications, and send out to the group for review. Form will go live as of August 19.
  - Should we be limiting the number of scholarships awarded this year? \$1260 available for scholarships this year, as both speakers donated their honoraria. We should try to award all of this money for conference attendance this year.

## 9. Award for Excellence – Uta

- Our recipient for 2016 is Open Oregon, in the person of Amy Hofer.
- The nomination for her is very strong: she’s been to every corner of the state, visited nearly every community college, advocated with CC library directors, and given testimony at the State Legislature.
- Garrett moved that we approve Open Oregon for this award.
- Bryan seconded.
- The motion passed unanimously.

- **Actions:** **Arlene** will order the plaque. **Uta** will notify Amy Hofer, as the award comes with a conference registration.
- It was suggested to also mention other parties who help make this possible: Steve Smith at LBCC; OCCDLA; PCC. Uta will ask Amy H. who should be included in this list.

#### 10. ACRL-OR blog new features – Uta

- We had a request in mid-spring to post a job opening on the ACRL-OR blog. We do not currently do that, or have a spot for it. Is that something we should do? The general feeling was no, that there are better resources and information streams available.
- Jennifer SB suggested that we could link to the State Library job line in a sidebar on the blog, and perhaps doing a blog post about how people can sign up to receive alerts. Arlene mentioned that people can filter job postings by library type and welcomed any suggestions for improvements to the State Library job line.

#### 11. Menucha – All

- Registration update – Garrett/Arlene
  - Registration opened near the end of May. We have 22 people currently registered, with 8 signed up for the preconference. We normally have around 80 registrants, but capacity for up to about 100. Preconference is capped at 40.
  - Registration deadline is October 1.
- Need coordinator for Menucha swag, e.g., two years ago, small bag with multiple-type computer/device connector. Swag budget is not that large (\$500). **Serenity** volunteered for this job.
- Should we allow Menucha vendors/vendor donations? Uta got an email from ReadX inquiring about this. Given our budget reality, is this something we should consider?
  - No specific dollar amount has been mentioned. It could support the wine/cheese reception, or the evening party.
  - Steve mentioned that it has been getting harder to get donations/sponsorships for OLA. Garrett thought it was a little odd that we're being approached by a vendor that many of us don't use.
  - The board consensus was that we do not want to have vendor donations/sponsorships at this time.
  - **Action:** **Uta** will contact the ReadX folks and reiterate her previous statement, that they are welcome to attend, but we do not want other support.
- There are two time slots that are not solidified yet: (1) 1-hour slot on Thursday afternoon (3:25-4:30) and (2) Friday morning (x:xx – x:xx).
  - Ideas: “creativity café” as a way to reflect on first keynote and first set of short talks; provide some art materials for non-verbal processing of ideas; set up in multiple areas available to us; have prompts available; areas divided by activity type; big post-its for people to put ideas on and look for collaborators; provide ways for people to self-organize, after collecting ideas from people earlier; Thursday time is the “get started” time, and the Friday time is continuing that work or changing gears; areas set up by topic, then “all the tools” are available at each area (or available in a central area and people can grab them to take to their area)
  - Idea for wrap-up 30 minutes: send yourself notes about your takeaway for the conference (paper/envelopes/notecards); sent out with a time delay (end of December)
  - **Action:** **The board** will revisit this at the September meeting.
- Posters/short talks

- 11 total submissions right now. Space for seven short talks. Uta suggested that we extend the deadline for short talks and posters, but go ahead and approve good proposals now; additional slots would go for proposals submitted through the extension period.
- If we don't approve proposals now, perhaps a shorter extension period?
- **Actions:** For posters, accept the ones in now, and then look at new submissions as they come in; committee will let Uta/Stephanie know about poster presenters to be notified. For short talks, wait to decide until extension period over.
- Extension deadline: September 2. Committee will then have until September 9 to decide on short talks and notify Uta/Stephanie.

## 12. Collaborative IL Project Exploration update – Garrett

- Idea from colleague in Montana, about doing statewide IL effort. He talked more with Montana colleague; the first thing they are doing is creating a clearinghouse for IL materials and tutorials.
- Garrett also talked with ILAGO about this, as a natural venue for this work to occur in.
- Arlene mentioned the IL tools on OSLIS.
- Kate mentioned Josh Vassler; he makes videos for IL. Arlene suggested that this might be a good proposal for an LSTA grant, since it would have a statewide reach.
- Stephanie said that there may be mention of this in the Vision 2020 document, in terms of content or formats.
- Going forward: it is important that the audience for this is really clear.

## 13. State Library Update – Arlene

- Academic libraries position on State Library Board. They do have someone who applied (Lori Wamsley from Lane CC); appointment could happen in week of September 19.
- Status of Answerland statewide service: it is staying down, until it is relaunched on October 3. QuestionPoint trainings in late August (online); and in-person workshops during the week of September 12. Any questions? Ask Arlene.

## 14. Board Transition – All

- Uta thanked all outgoing board members and extended a welcome to all new board members.
- **Actions:** New board members will get on the board listserv after this meeting, as well as information about accessing the wiki, Google account, etc. **Jennifer SB** will help transition new members onto board tools. Outgoing board members will be removed from the listserv in the near future.

## 15. 2016-17 Meetings/Hosts – All

- September 16; host: Serenity (PNCA)
- October 27: members meeting at Menucha
- December 9; all-virtual meeting
- February 10; host: Uta (OSU)
- May 12; host: Garrett (Corban)
- August 11; Steve (NWCUC)

## 16. Adjournment: 3:06 p.m.