ACRL-OR Board Meeting  
May 9, 2014, 12:00 – 3:00 pm  
BICC 429, Oregon Health & Science University, Portland

Present: Hannah Gascho Rempel, Elizabeth Brookbank (OUS), Arlene Weible, Yen Tran, Robin Champieux, Uta Hussong-Christian (minutes), Emily Miller-Francisco (GoTo), Tom Larsen, Janet Tapper

1. Welcome and Introductions (Hannah)

2. Changes to Agenda

   • No changes

3. Approval of Minutes

   • February 2014
   • Tom moved, Uta seconded, minutes unanimously approved

3. Nominating Committee Report (Hannah)

   • 3 candidates for Member-at-Large (2 slots); 2 candidates for Vice-President
   • Ballots due 5/22
   • ACTION: Nominating Committee send out email voting reminder

4. Legislative Committee Updates (Janet)

   • Legislative committee sent Abigail, Janet and Candice Watkins to DC (all very engaged in Oregon library legislative work)
   • Michele Burke working on setting up advocacy task force for school libraries that would take on setting up a website of resources, leadership training opportunities and sharing opportunities for advocacy in the CIP (continuing improvement plan) process that education districts have to implement
     o one aspect is demonstrating strong school library having a licensed school librarian would help meet goal
     o want direct meetings between superintendents and academic librarians/writing faculty to talk about what we’re not seeing in students coming in
   o ACTION: Arlene invite Jen Mauer from State Library as a guest at an upcoming Board meeting to help us formulate support letter (tentatively August meeting)
   • Discussion about whether ACRL-OR do more for library support staff (particularly academic support staff) as OLA SSD did not have conference last year and they’re having trouble getting people on SSD Board. No tangible outcomes of discussion.

6. Update on Private Colleges Replacement (Arlene)

   • Contacted Bill Kelm (not able to serve) and Annie Downy (Reed) who is happy to serve; planning to start at new Board year
   • ACTION: Hannah invite her to August meeting
   • ACTION: Arlene add her to Board listserv
• **ACTION: Robin** give her wiki access and update website with her name

7. **State Library report** (Arlene)
   • Statewide databases – Arlene worked with Greg Doyle with OrbisCascade Alliance to see about subsidizing Ebsco subscriptions (Academic Search Premier/Business Source Premier) for academics. Worked out a model that academics would see about an 8-10% savings for academic subscribers. Proposal going through approval process at State Library. If approved, savings apply in next fiscal year. State Library would give Alliance money to offset cost. Ongoing savings, not just one time. If there are questions about subs at specific institutions, talk to Greg (not Arlene)

8. **Professional development initiatives** (Uta)
   • Future of ACRL in-person webinars
     o We’ve had really low signups for previous and current “in-person” webinar offerings (2-8 RSVPs over 3 events in the last year). Rather than continue the in-person event, promote use of the archived webinar to the membership for “check-out” for more local use. We could also offer showings at Menucha. For localized use, one person at institution will need to be an ACRL-OR member.
     o **ACTION: Uta** draft promotional email for distribution list
     o **ACTION: Uta** add wiki page to capture webinar details
     o **ACTION: Uta** post to NW Central, FB page

   • First Google Video hangout scheduled for May 27th at noon - Data management with Amanda Whitmire, Data Specialist at OSU
     o **ACTION: Uta** put on NW Central
     o **ACTION: Uta** send to Sara Thompson for OLA FB & Twitter
     o **ACTION: Uta** post to ACRL-NW

9. **OLA 2014 Conference update** (Hannah)
   • Feedback for ACRL-sponsored sessions was good (all 4’s and above). Arlene provided broader overall OLA conference feedback that participants want to see sessions on “innovative” practices. As we go forward also think about academic programming that crosses over to public library audience. As we think about upcoming proposal period for 2015, think about conference participants who don’t go to national. Track the content we see nationally that would work well locally.
     o **ACTION: Uta** will prepare evals for sending
     o **ACTION: Hannah** (for Isaac) will send thank you letter to presenters for ACRL-OR sponsored sessions and include eval/comments
   • Reception feedback
     o About 30 people at one point; food could have been better – strange “spreads/dips”; room location was great (small reception are in main restaurant, not the entryway reception area)
     o Influx of people after OLA Board meeting so next time think about starting later

   • OLA 2015 FYI: Proposal for OLA conference due in September
10. ACRL-OR Award for Excellence subcommittee (Hannah)
   • Past Pres (Anne-Marie) plus 2 board members (Elizabeth and Tom volunteered)
   • ACTION: Robin online nomination form should be up by 3rd Monday of June;
   • ACTION: Anne-Marie/Elizabeth/Tom – nomination announcement sent out 4th Monday in June
   • ACTION: Anne-Marie/Elizabeth/Tom – process nominations in July

11. ALA Annual Attendee
   • ACTION: Tom Larsen volunteered to attend ACRL Chapters Council meeting at ALA
     o Info sharing meeting is the important meeting:
       http://connect.ala.org/node/223038
     o There is also a work session: http://connect.ala.org/node/223040

12. E-Learning Scholarship Applications (Hannah)
   • No longer funding per look at budget doc (Arlene had a copy)
   • ACTION: Hannah note on wiki that this is now inactive

13. Membership/communication initiatives
   • Social media presence (Robin)
     We have two main webpages - ACRL-OR blog (this serves as website as well) and the ACRL-OR page on OLA website (this page looks very outdated). Discussion centered on which page should be our primary presence. Most traffic comes via blog so decision was to simplify/clean up OLA page and basically point to blog as our primary communication tool. To freshen up the blog, we will endeavor to post more frequently (though not formally undertaking a posting schedule). Ideas included posts about conference speakers in advance of event, postings of current interest to academic library community. Decided to have standing board meeting agenda item to identify content for follow-up blog post (ACTION: Board President add to agenda). Immediate projects to spruce up the blog include items below.
     ACTION: Yen volunteered to help Robin to:
     o Rework blog to include some of the procedural/structural info currently on OLA page
     o Add info about upcoming speakers at Menucha (sneak peak to generate interest)
     o Add calendar to include items like continuing ed, upcoming deadlines for scholarships or nominations, etc.
     o Do analytics?
     o ACTION: Arlene will Jen Maurer to do guest post about school libraries and CIP and advocacy
   • As communication liaison, Robin will continue to post announcements to blog, listservs
14. **Menucha Planning** (All) – Oct. 23-24
   - Identified conference theme: *Professional Identify and Technology: Looking Forward*
   - Plan Discussion groups after first speaker
   - Have Lightening Talks tie into theme and let posters go broader (need to decide on broader theme – August meeting)
   - Conference lead up – use social media to have people identify (use hashtag, FB)
   - Neither speaker wants their fee so develop a plan to distribute $.
   - Deborah Hicks and Chris Bourg are keynote speakers
   - **ACTION:** Isaac in early June send out theme and Save the date message
   - **ACTION:** Uta and Yen – registration/housing (ask registrants about identity on registration form?)
   - **ACTION:** Janet Tapper – party planning
     Games and/or movies in basement (with buttons), Robin can make beer; bring crafts/bring button maker, extend time for mixer before launching games/crafts; snacks in only one location; Janet bring Tarot cards; continue ideas for party activities on Board listserv
   - Need organizer for poster session and/or lightning talks

15. **Other Business**
   - ACRL National Conference local arrangements
     - **ACTION:** who? Solicit volunteers (from membership?) for information booth (those familiar with Portland)

16. **Local Library Issues?** no further discussion

17. **Meeting Adjourned at 3:08pm**