ACRL-OR Board Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2016, 12:00 – 3:00 pm
Lewis & Clark College Library

Attendees: Uta Hussong-Christian - chairing (Oregon State), Stephanie Debner – minutes (MHCC), Arlene Weible (State Library), Jennifer Snoek-Brown (MHCC), Jennifer Cox (Art Institute of Portland), Kate Rubick (Lewis & Clark), Elizabeth Brookbank (WOU), Garrett Trott (Corban)

Via GoToMeeting: Bryan Miyagishima, Hannah Rempel, Amy Hofer (guest)

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Changes to Agenda
   ● None

3. Approval of February 2016 Minutes - Uta
   ● Elizabeth motioned to approve minutes as amended, regarding the budget report.
   ● Kate seconded.
   ● The motion passed unanimously.

4. Budget Report - Uta
   ● We are on track with the planned spend down. Some big expenses coming up: Menucha, scholarships, John’s legislative day expenses.

5. April OLA Board Meeting Report - Uta
   ● If you haven’t voted in OLA elections yet, voting closes on May 16.
   ● A lot of the April board meeting was conference-related and voting-related.
   ● Academic librarian nominee name for State Library Board: upon consultation with OLA, the Governor will appoint someone. It does need to be someone from a public institution, according to the bylaws.
     ○ Does ACRL want input on this in any way? Any people to approach or names to put forward? Should we be getting the word out about this?
     ○ It is a four-year commitment, with meetings every other month. Any travel and expenses are compensated.
     ○ Hannah advocated in favor of putting some names forward and suggested having librarians from community colleges, since a lot of legislation is moving that way.
     ○ Elaine Hirsch (Lewis & Clark) put her name forward for this. Other suggestions: Lori Wamsley (Lane CC), Mark Peterson (Klamath CC). Uta will also check in with John Schoppert and Michele Burke for other ideas.
     ○ Arlene pointed out that it is an open application process, and then the State will consult with OLA President on the candidates.
     ○ Advocate with MaryKay to ask about having this position opened up to librarians from nonprofit private institutions?
- The State Library would like to get the application process underway by the beginning of June. If you think of anyone by Tuesday, May 24, let Uta know. Meanwhile, there will be a blog post going up promoting this opportunity.

- Strategic Planning Update (Hannah): survey went out to the membership; focus groups also occurring right now.
  - Strategic Planning group has meeting on Monday, May 16 to start talking about emerging themes.
  - Hannah will keep ACRL Board in the loop on their progress. They have several meetings scheduled throughout the summer to work on this.
  - There will be a draft of findings at June OLA Board meeting. Stephanie will attend in Uta’s stead.

6. Menucha – All

- Proposal for OER pre-conference (Amy Hofer), for Thursday morning.
  - Uta has talked with Menucha; we have complete access to facilities there after 8:30 a.m. that Thursday morning for no additional charge. We could have access for post-conference, but it would cost $16/person. Idea for logistical side: do pre-conference in Creevy, so Wright is free for conference set-up/logistics.
  - Goal to draw same audience that ACRL-OR/WA would draw. Would people be able to come to pre-conference without ACRL conference? Pre-conference + lunch (for a fee)? Might it bolster conference attendance overall (is there a maximum cap)?
  - Technology needs: would need internet access. Is this available in Creevy?
  - Possible time needed: 2 hours? Suggestion: 9-11:30 a.m. to allow time for people to get sorted out for Menucha registration before lunch.
  - There is a lot of flexibility, based on space and tech availability. Main purpose is to share information and keep the conversation going around OER.
  - There could be space within the conference to continue the conversation, if we have small group conversation breakout time.
  - Garrett suggested that we attach nominal registration fee to encourage people to show up for it. Uta said that we could handle this through messaging around conference signup; signing up for the pre-conference is something that could be turned off once we reached the maximum number that can fit in the room. Discussion around idea of charging money for OER pre-conference.
  - Planning the pre-conference: Amy, Chell, and Garrett (rep from the Board).
  - Amy: Have a blurb on the promotional/registration information. Open Oregon could contribute for morning coffee and snacks.
  - ACRL’s contribution: space, infrastructure, and a board member to participate. The “solution” part is not something that ACRL can/needs to facilitate.
  - Would people be able to stay on Wednesday night at Menucha to facilitate logistics? Uta will check with Menucha whether that is an option (and how much it would cost). Idea that ACRL would facilitate options, but participants would need to sign up for accommodations on their own.
  - Jennifer S-B motioned that we add the OER preconference to Menucha.
  - Garrett seconded.
  - The motion passed unanimously.
- Schedule: some things already set; other items to be decided (in terms of programming for those time slots).
  - Uta shared Google doc with conference schedule.
  - Get rid of the poster teasers.
  - Bryan asked about poster proposals. Typically, that call has been in late summer. Jennifer S-B suggested that we open the call for talks and posters at the same time as registration.
  - Short talks: 10 minutes. That gives us room for 7 talks (4 on Thursday, 3 on Friday).
  - Thursday Small group activity. Timing? Content? Modes? Book discussion, walking discussion, coloring/crafting discussion, people bring resources that spark their own creativity, OER discussion, Twitter discussion
  - Friday morning: last program item is small group discussion. Keep it as a more traditional small group discussion.
  - Conference reflections/wrap up (6 word stories, emoticon, graphic representations); mail yourself your takeaway/intended actions; word cloud (via post-its or note cards to physically gather – available throughout the conference; then create word cloud as post-conference blog post); What can ACRL-OR/WA do to continue the discussion?
  - Percolate on ideas for small group activities/discussion and wrap-up, to firm up at August board meeting.

- We can get conference website up with the information we currently have about the schedule.
- Conference name brainstorming and discussion. Conference title: Embracing Creativity and Turning Inspiration into Reality.
- Uta will draft language for conference page/promotion/registration form and send it out to board.
- Uta will arrange a small group meeting with people working on posters and short talks to talk about timeline/call. Shoot for July 11 or so for formal call? Add “look for…” notes in call for registration. Or do call by mid-June with a deadline before the August board meeting? Do one form for posters and for short talks in Google Forms.
- Housing: gender-neutral housing? Yes.
- Credit card payments only; payment/registration deadline of October 1? Conference fee: keep the same as last time (member/non-member rate).
- Registration ready by end of next week.

7. Scholarship Committee Update – Hannah / Kate
- Need to be more explicit about applicants being an ACRL-OR member for the general professional development awards.
- School librarian connection award coming out soon. Kate, Hannah, and Annie will be meeting soon and putting out the call within the next week and a half or so. Uta and Arlene can ensure that call gets in front of OASL people.

8. Board Elections Update -- Stephanie
- 58 members voted as of May 11. Ballot information went out to 120 people.
- Uta will send out a reminder on Monday and also the Friday before the voting deadline.

9. State Library Update – Arlene
- In the middle of negotiating a contract for new Answerland software, which will be OCLC QuestionPoint.
- LSTA five-year plan (themes and directions for how to spend LSTA funds). Assessment of previous five-year plan this summer; this will inform development of next five-year plan
- LSTA Advisory Council: currently two academic positions on the board, and a third academic person on board, for any feedback people have: Serenity Ibsen (PNCA), Friday Valentine (LBCC), Blake Galbraith (EOU)

10. Legislative Update – Uta for John
- John went to the national legislative day with the Oregon delegation. Met with representatives’ staff members about lots of advocacy issues.
- OLA legislative committee: Schools have been adding librarians across the state, mostly in Portland and Beaverton. Beaverton School District part of Go Open initiative.
- Community colleges pursuing grants related to OER.

11. Award for Excellence Update – Uta
- Nomination period launched this week; goes through August.
- There will be a number of posts/reminders throughout the summer.

12. Collaborative IL Project Introduction -- Garrett
- Brought forward the idea from Montana, about doing information literacy on a broader scale (K-20), involving school, public, and academic libraries. It is just an idea now; they are meeting in early August in Montana.
- Kate suggested that Bob Schroeder might be a good person to talk to about this idea.
- Arlene said she’d look for other state initiatives like this; also, the State Library would love to support something like this (with LSTA funds), but there would need to be a concrete proposal.
- Idea to involve ILAGO, but to “home” it within OLA, because they have a broader reach.
- Is it a document that shows where these different skills are addressed/articulated, by different libraries?
- Garrett will follow up with Montana colleague and report back at August board meeting.

13. Next Meeting
- Friday, August 12 at Mt. Hood Community College (Stephanie hosting)

14. Adjournment: 3:06 p.m.