

2016-09-27

SustainRT Board Meeting (conference call)

Attendance:

Rene Tanner
Jodi Shaw
Mary Beth Lock
Madeleine Charney
Lindsay Marlow
Rebekkah Smith Aldrich
Kate Hutchens

September 27, 2016 10 am Pacific/10 am Arizona/11 am Mountain/12 pm Central/1 pm Eastern
Call to order approx. 1:15pm Eastern

Review/Approve Meeting Minutes

- August meeting minutes amended via email as the group convened/waited for conference call to begin, then approved.
- Approved version posted to ALA Connect as of Oct. 17.

Standing Meeting Time – 2nd Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday of the month at 11 am?

- No convenient standing meeting time was found for 2016.
- Chair will propose additional monthly meeting times via online poll/email.

Budget Review

- Current budget stands at \$3,703, but after accounting for ALA Annual expenses subtract approximately \$500
- Full budget report (provided to Secretary by Treasurer via email after meeting):
 - Beginning net assets (Sep. 15) - \$1979
 - Revenues
 - Dues - \$1823 (ahead of projected \$1375 YTD and total \$1500 budgeted for FY16)
 - Donations and Honoraria - \$155
 - Total Revenues YTD - \$1978
 - Expenses
 - Bank S/C - \$56
 - Overhead - \$198
 - Total Expenses - \$254
 - Net revenue from operations YTD - \$1724
- Discussion of sticker acquisition, custom-printing SustainRT namebadge ribbons for reuse at repeated conferences, other reusability affordances like magnet attachment.
- For 2017 meetings, SustainRT will use “standard issue” ALA ribbons, including SustainRT logo.

ALA Annual

- SustainRT working jointly with SRRT to invite Bill McKibben.
- Board approves allocation of \$1000 of this year's SustainRT budget to support honorarium costs (only incurred if McKibben is contracted to speak).
- Fundraising options considered include SustainRT membership donations and vendor sponsorship.
- Chair calls for formation of a Fundraising subcommittee to support this effort.

Student Scholarships for ALA Annual

- Initial suggestion of amount per scholarship = \$300
- Discussion tabled, to be continued.

Membership and Outreach

- R. Smith Aldrich reports that they have a call setup among herself, Christina Gangwisch (chair of subcommittee), J. Shaw, and R. Tanner. Rebecca will report back to Board with meeting highlights.

Midwinter ALA Business Meeting

- Chair reports that the in-person business meeting at Midwinter 2017 (Atlanta) has been proposed to the schedulers for Saturday, 1:00-2:30pm
- When/whether that time slot will be approved by meeting schedulers not yet known.
Update: Early November
- SustainRT members are invited to attend SRRT Action Council meetings on Saturday morning and and Sunday 9.

Possible Program for Midwinter

- Symposium on the Future of Libraries: R. Aldrich Smith and Mary Beth Lock report that a proposal will be made
- Content likely to be some reconfiguration of ALA Annual 2016 presentation with Matthew Bollerman

ALA Governance

- R. Aldrich Smith reports that communications are opened with Mary Ghikas, Sr. Associate Executive Director for ALA's Member Programs and Services
- At Midwinter 2017, there is an opportunity with the "News you Can Use" sessions to brief attendees on NYLA's work and beyond, including information distributed in form similar to press releases
- R. Aldrich Smith and J. Shaw will have a conversation with ALA President-Elect Jim Neal inform him on SustainRT's work and agenda, with particular attention to [the Resolution](#).
- J. Shaw reports that there will be some coverage in American Libraries Magazine based on food issues.

Status Update NYLA Sustainability Initiative

- R. Aldrich Smith refers the Board to resources and team structure within nyla.org/sustainability/
To be launched at library journal directors' summit
- An application to IMLS is pending for a National Leadership Grant to support Libraries and Sustainability, specifically to create a certification for library leaders; R. Aldrich Smith requests one recruit from Board to join her on the advisory group for this grant.

The following agenda items were tabled - to be followed up on via email or at next meeting - due to a shortage of time:

12. Update on ODLOS Meeting
13. Conference Kit
14. Nomination Committee and Online Education
15. Invitation from Peter Hepburn to chat with him on next call