

TO: Core Board of Directors

TOPIC: President-Elect Report

REPORT: July 1, 2023-December 31, 2023

SUBMITTED: January 16, 2024

SUMMARY

The first six months of my term have been busy as I transitioned onto the Core Board, coming up to speed on Board initiatives, wrapping up some changes to Core Section committee structure and refining a couple of section proposals, focusing on ALA and Core Appointments, on-boarding, and Board duties.

On-Boarding

- Attended initial on-boarding meeting with President Wendy Tressler and Julie Reese while at ALA Annual and then two-part Board Retreat and On-Boarding in July.
- Transitioned duties as past chair of Metadata and Collections Section Leadership Team to the new past chair and chair.
 - Assisted with the transition of one Core M&C Section committee to an interest group.
 - Provided support for the M&C Section's proposal that Core endorse the Joint Statement on the Metadata Rights of Libraries

Board Duties

- Attended ALA Annual June 2023 including key ALA and Core events: ALA Executive Board Meeting, Joint Budget Meetings, Core 101 and Meet & Greet, John Cotton Dana Awards Ceremony, Core President's Program and Core Board Meeting.
- Attended weekly Core Leadership Standing meetings and monthly Section Chairs meetings.
- Served as Chair of the Core Appointments Committee, Board liaison to the 2024 Forum Planning Committee and the Preservation Section Leadership Team, and member of the Core Strategic Plan Implementation Group.
- Working with Board member Rachel Flemming, revised the "Guidelines for participation in Core activities and Committees for Vendors, Publishers and their Employees" into two documents: Publisher/Vendor Relationship Policy and Corporate Sponsorship Guidelines

Appointments

- Represented Core on the ALA appointments committee including the review of ALA volunteer applications and providing recommendations for prospective committee appointments.
- Made appointments as needed for a variety of open positions and recommended Core representatives for ALA level committee vacancies.

- Began the 2024-2025 appointment process.

Upcoming Activities

- Continue the appointments process include attending the January 26 Volunteer Fair, assisting Core Division and Section Level Leadership Chairs with filling volunteer appointments for the 2024-2025 term, facilitating the Appointments Committee meetings, and making all needed appointments by June 2024.
- Continue working with the 2024 Core Forum Planning Committee to identify any local support needed for forum.
- Assist the Preservation Section Leadership Team with reviewing their membership, focusing on high priority initiatives, and clearly identifying section leadership and succession.
- Ensure all Division and Section Leadership Teams have identified co-chairs/chairs and vice-chairs and staggered membership across appointment terms.
- Continue working with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Awards and Scholarships Coordination Committee to gather feedback on any needed changes in charge and structure.
- Continue to attend Monthly Section Leader Meetings and President's Weekly Standing meetings.
- Attend ALA Annual June 2024 including key Core offerings such as: Building Tour, Core 101, Board Meeting, Core President's Program, and ALA President's Luncheon
- Plan on-boarding meetings with new President-Elect to cover appointments process and on-boarding for the Board of Directors and Committee Chair Onboarding meetings.
- Attend Core Forum in November 2024 in Minneapolis, MN.

Respectfully submitted,
Angie Ohler