Government Relations Committee

Meeting Minutes

November 27, 2018 11 am (CST)

Via Conference Call

Members present: Kevin Baggett, Amy Bush, Dani Cook, Jeremy Darrington, Bethany McGowan, Joyce Ogburn, Marie Seymour-Green, Duncan Stewart, Kevin Walker, Kara Malenfant (Staff Liaison)

# Approval of draft minutes from September 14, 2018

# Annual Meeting Request

The committee discussed whether or not to meet face to face at the ALA Annual Meeting. Usually, the committee’s work is completed before the summer, but just in case the committee would like to meet a room and time will be reserved.

# Legislative Agenda – pre-work

The committee went through the 2018 Legislative Agenda and decided which issues should be carried forward into 2019 either as a watch list item or a main agenda item. These issues will be monitored by an assigned committee member who will give an update on that topic in the January meeting.

 Issue Continuations:

1. Federal Funding- Kevin B
2. Net Neutrality- Kevin B
3. DACA- Amy
4. FASTR- Joyce
5. Education Department issues (financial aid)- Bethany
6. Open Government Data- Jeremy
7. FDLP funding- Kevin W

New Issue:

1. For-profit colleges- Duncan

New potential issues will be solicited from ALA and ACRL committees within the next few calendar months. New issues may emerge when the new Congress takes its seat in January and the committee will vigilantly keep an eye on these potentials.

Meeting adjourned 11:37am

Minutes submitted by Kevin Baggett