

**Public Minutes of the
Law Librarian's Society of Washington, D.C.
Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 11, 2010
Baker Botts, LLP, 1299 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.**

Board Members

In Attendance:

Frances Brillantine, Immediate Past President
Christine Ciambella, Vice President
Cameron Gowan, President
Jennifer McMahan, Board Member
Shannon O'Connell, Recording Secretary
Ed O'Rourke, Treasurer
Emily Phillips, Assistant Treasurer
Tricia Peavler, Board Member
Judy Weiss, Board Member

Absent:

Matt Braun, Corresponding Secretary

Proceedings

Call to Order

C. Gowan called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

The April minutes were approved via email prior to the meeting.

Official Reports

Treasurer: Please see the Official Minutes for details.

Committee Reports

Membership: The Society currently has 621 active members, with 32 memberships pending. The Board approved six new members. The Spring New Member Breakfast was held on April 29th at Bryan Cave.

Arrangements: The Society's 2009-2010 Closing Event will be held at 5:30 p.m. on May 26th at Pepper Hamilton.

Mentoring: The committee plans to host a speed dating event.

Website: Emily Carr, of the Law Library of Congress, will serve as the Society's new webmaster. Len Davidson will serve as a consulting member of the Website Committee. F. Brillantine will assist with website training.

Elections: The 2010 election is complete. Winners will be announced this week.

Law Library Lights: The Summer issue will come out in June.

ILL: The SIS's next meeting will be held on May 12th at the Brookings Institution. The June meeting will be on the 16th at C-SPAN.

Legislative: The SIS's next meeting will be held on May 26th at Troutman Sanders. The lunch meeting will feature a talk by Rick McKinney: "Federal Administrative law: a Brief Overview."

Foreign/International: On May 6th, the SIS will hosted a talk by Jason Hawkins of GW's Jacob Burns Law Library called "Good Research is its Own Award: Researching International Commercial Arbitration." The meeting was well-attended.

History & Archives: C. Ciambella will go to Georgetown on May 24th to sort through the remainder of the Society's boxes and discard anything that does not need to be saved.

Joint Spring Workshop: The 2010 JSW was a success, with about 105 people participating.

Scholarships: Six scholarships were awarded.

Laid-Off-Librarians: T. Peavler will check in with Jennifer Dollar to find out the status of the Focus Group.

Federal: The SIS will host a luncheon for its members on May 27th at the Department of Justice.

Old Business

Policy manual update: C. Gowan will pass the work on the Policy Manual on to C. Ciambella.

LLSDC Giving Opportunities letter: M. Braun will compose a letter to members describing giving opportunities. The letter will be published in the President's newsletter as well as in *Lights*.

Awards for LLSDC members: C. Gowan asked for Board members to nominate any member they feel deserves recognition. Nominations should be made before May 26th so awards can be distributed at the Closing Event.

New Business

List-Serv and copyright: Concern was expressed about list-serv requests for articles from licensed databases. C. Gowan will contact requesters off-list to inform them of the copyright violation such requests pose.

Year End Reports: Year-end reports are due

Transition: The Society will now use Gmail accounts for email. The President, Treasurer, Webmaster, and Membership committee will all have new Gmail addresses. In the 2010-2011 year, C. Ciambella hopes to move to more use of electronic formats. The Society's new P.O. box is now in use.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Board will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 8th, location TBD.

Adjournment

C. Gowan moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 a.m. Motion approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shannon O'Connell