

## Public Minutes of LLSDC Board Meeting October 14, 2008 at Jenner & Block

*In Attendance:* Dawn Bohls, Heather Bourk, Frances Brillantine, Cameron Gowan (via phone), Barbara Fisher, Shannon O'Connell, Tricia Peavler, Roger Skalbeck, Judy Weiss.

### I. Official Reports

*President:* The September minutes were approved.

*Treasurer's Report:* See Official Minutes for details.

### II. Committee Reports

*Membership:* New members of LLSDC were approved. 182 members are in the grace period for membership renewal. The grace period for membership renewal is being extended to prevent problems associated with renewing after expiration. The Membership Committee will identify and contact anyone who should be an associate member but attempts to register as a regular member. The Board will solicit feedback from the membership as to whether associate members should be allowed to join an SIS. The New Members Breakfast will be held on October 28th at Bryan Cave.

*Website:* The Webmaster has had fewer reports of problems using the new website. The Web Committee continues to migrate data from the old website and hopes to have made more progress before the next Board meeting in November.

*Arrangements:* The Holiday Party will be held on December 3rd at Pepper Hamilton. The event will be sponsored by West. Although started by the PLL SIS, the Holiday Party is now officially an Arrangements Committee event.

*Nominations:* the Committee's next meeting will be held on October 15th.

*Education:* The roundtable discussion on moving between types of law libraries held on September 25th was a success.

*Law Library Lights:* The Fall issue is on schedule to be release on October 22nd. The President informed the Editor about the arrangement with HeinOnline. The Editor anticipates distributing *Lights* via the website the same way the e-newsletter comes out.

*ILL:* The next meeting is on October 15th. The topic will be putting together an "ILL 101" resource.

*Legislative:* Held a meeting on October 2nd about training attorneys & staff on legislative research.

*Legal Research:* Program on October 28th: fall/first year associates training strategies.

*Foreign/International:* the SIS still does not have a chair. The President will put a notice on the listserv to solicit a volunteer.

*Joint Spring Workshop:* The Joint Spring Workshop will be held on April 2, 2009. The Committee hopes to have a draft of topics prepared by December or January.

*Academic:* The annual picnic was a success.

*PLL:* The SIS sponsored a bowling outing on October 9th. Officers are meeting on October 29th to discuss possible events. The SIS will host a copyright discussion on November 13th.

*Federal:* Agency Day was well attended, with about 30-40 librarians participating. On October 8th, the SIS sponsored a program on the history of the DHS Library. The next event is an AALL Portland Recap for Federal Librarians on October 30th.

*Mentoring:* Adeen Postar will chair the Committee. Ms. Postar has requested more guidance on the expectations for the Committee.

### **III. Open Items**

*GLP Union List:* Keith Gabel is working with Sima on a new contract. The new contract will be annual rather than biennial. Keith will present the new contract proposal at the November Board meeting. The next edition of the Union List will have new features including the ability to search holdings by proximity.

*Dues increase:* The last dues increase was on March 23, 2005. The Society's costs have decreased, due in large part to ending our use of a management company. The Board would like to generate revenue in another way, rather than by charging members more. Dues will not be increased at this time.

### **IV. Old Business**

*HeinOnline/Law Library Lights contract:* The Board approved the terms stipulated in Shannon Hein's email to the Vice President. HeinOnline will include all back and future issues of *Law Library Lights* in HeinOnline. Each issue of *Law Library Lights* will include a ½ page ad for Hein, free of charge. In the event that another vendor has paid for ad space in *Lights*, Hein's free advertising space would be reduced to ¼ page. Hein will provide access to members of LLSDC through the members only section of LLSDC's website. Hein will provide LLSDC with one digital copy of the *Law Library Lights* back file, if and when LLSDC chooses to make such a

request. The Vice President will inform Shannon Hein of the Board's acceptance of these terms.

*Opening Reception:* 81 people registered for the event and the Society generated a profit of \$205.00.

*Associate members joining an SIS:* The Membership Committee will identify and contact anyone who should be an associate member but attempts to register as a regular member. The Board will solicit feedback from the membership as to whether associate members should be allowed to join an SIS.

## **V. New Business**

*Jobline:* other chapters (VALL, LLAM) are not currently being charged for posting on Jobline. The Board agreed to continue this practice, seeing as the postings are minimal and are a service to LLSDC members

*Listserv event postings by other organizations:* There are no guidelines for listserv postings. The Board does not have a problem with the non-LLSDC events that have been posted and will not seek to prevent such postings in the future

*Reception at AALL 2009:* The Society will not sponsor a reception at AALL 2009.

*AALL chapter visit:* The Board agreed to schedule the AALL chapter visit to coincide with the LLSDC Town Hall meeting in March 2009.

*Holiday Party:* will be held on December 3rd at Pepper Hamilton.

## **VI. Next meeting**

The next meeting of the Board will be held at 9:00 a.m. on November 12th at McKee Nelson.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Shannon O'Connell

*Please note:* These are not the official minutes. Any Society member can obtain a copy of the official minutes by contacting the Recording Secretary.