

## Link and Reference Rot: As Rotten as it Sounds?

By Sherry L. Leyson

When I hear the word rot I think of zombies (or perhaps for a more pleasant image, I will instead think of Brad Pitt battling zombies in World War Z). While not everyone is familiar with the term “link rot” it is a phrase mentioned in legal literature as early as 1996, when Howard Denmark noted, “a new term, ‘link rot,’ has been coined to describe the problem of links that lead the reader to defunct sites” (The Death of Law Reviews Has Been Predicted: What Might Be Lost When the Last Law Review Shuts Down?, 27 Seton Hall L. Rev. 1, 12). In the case of U.S. Supreme Court opinions, scholars note the appearance of Internet URLs in a 1996 opinion footnote (Denver Area Educ. Telecommunications Consortium, Inc. v. F.C.C., 518 U.S. 727, 777). When checking

the links in this opinion today, only one of the two works, demonstrating that the issue of links leading to dead, redirected, or completely different content is a persistent one.

On October 24, 2014, the Georgetown Law Library hosted a free online symposium: 404/File Note Found: Link Rot, Legal Citation and Projects to Preserve Precedent, that brought together professionals to discuss the most appropriate methods to preserve the seemingly-ephemeral information of the Internet upon which we rely in our court briefs, judicial opinions, and scholarship. I learned about the symposium from my colleague who attended, Collection Management Librarian Rachel Decker, who was impressed with the program.

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## From the President


By Victoria Williamson

On the morning of November 1st, I saw a rainbow as I was driving. At first I saw only the lower half of the arch, but as I got closer to my destination I saw the entire arch. It was a beautiful rainbow with vivid colors, and it spanned the whole sky. I had to stop myself from taking a picture while driving, as many others were doing. When I finally reached my destination and took a picture, it was then that I realized there was a second rainbow arching over the first. It was subtle, but it also spanned the whole sky. It was a magnificent sight. As I stood there in awe, admiring the rainbows and taking photos, I did not care that I was getting wet when it started to rain. A moment like this reminds me that I am grateful for so many things.

With Thanksgiving in mind, I will take this time to thank all of you for the words of encouragement and support you sent my way when I transitioned into the role of SCALL

President. I am grateful to belong to an organization that is rich with experienced leaders who care deeply about its members. The tremendous amount of guidance and support I have received in just these past three months speaks volumes of their commitment and dedication to SCALL. I will also take this opportunity to thank the committee chairs who affirmed their commitment to serve, and the past presidents who have been generous with their time and sage advice. Thanks also to the members who reached out to me and expressed their interest in taking on an active role in our organization. I am energized by this outpouring of support and positive energy. For those who are interested in volunteering but are still considering whether this is the right time to get involved, I'd say don't think about it, just do it! I promise it'll be a good investment of your time.

Because of the excellent work of our Programs Committee Co-Chairs, Elyse Meyers and Sarah Joshi, our fall meeting was a huge



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success, and it was great to see so many of you there. Our guest speaker, USC law professor



Edward Kleinbard, explained the complex topic of corporate tax inversion in a way that was easily understandable and infused with wit and humor. I look forward to seeing even more members at our Holiday Party, which will be on Tuesday, December 9th at Umami Burger on Hollywood Boulevard in Los Angeles. Don't miss out on the fun, food, and great company, so be sure to sign-up by December 3rd.

The Board has approved the budget for this

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fiscal year. While we are doing well financially, the Board agreed to take a fiscally conservative approach to setting our budget. I am pleased to report that the Board budgeted for a redesign of the SCALL website. Suzie Shatarevyan and her team have begun the preliminary work on this project.

I am delighted to report that the Board appointed Laura Cadra as Vice President for the 2014-2015 term. Please join me in thanking her for accepting this appointment. Congratulations Laura and welcome aboard! Our Nominations Committee has started working on a slate of candidates for the VP/President-

Elect for 2015-2016 Term. Our Bylaws Committee is investigating whether to recommend changes to the bylaws regarding unexpected vacancies in the executive board, especially the president.

Our 43rd Annual Institute plans are well underway, and thanks to the work of the Institute subcommittee chairs, we are moving forward. Registration for members and exhibitors is available on the SCALL website. (Thank you Amber Kennedy Madole and Caitlin Hunter for your excellent work in setting this up.) It certainly isn't too early to register and book your room in the Mission Inn. I am pleased to inform you that we re-

ceived confirmation that AALL immediate Past President Steve Anderson will be attending our Institute. Also, complimentary tours of the Riverside Historic Courthouse will be offered to our members who arrive early, just be sure to sign up early since space is limited.

By the time this message reaches you, you may be totally wrapped-up in the merriment and festive celebration that this time of year brings. I wish each one of you and your loved ones a lovely and joyful holiday season.

*Victoria Williamson is the Director of the Riverside County Law Library*



## 2014 SCALL Holiday Party

Date: Tuesday, December 9, 2014  
Time: 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Umami Burger Los Feliz  
4655 Hollywood Boulevard  
Los Angeles, CA 90027  
(323) 669-3922  
<http://www.umamiburger.com/>  
Vegetarian options will be available



A 6-minute walk from the Metro Red Line Vermont/Sunset stop!  
Street parking available on Hollywood Boulevard and surrounding streets.

Cost: \$35.00 / \$20.00 students

**R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, December 3**

Send your RSVP form and check (payable to SCALL) to:  
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### SANDALL Institute

Join SANDALL at the University of San Diego for a one-day conference on digital authentication on January 9, 2015. Several states, including California, have enacted the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act. Learn about best practices, authentication technologies, and advocacy efforts from state officials, government experts, and law librarians. For more information, click [here](#).

### SLA-SCC Annual Holiday Party

Date: Thursday, December 11, 2014

Time: 6:30-9:30 pm

Location: Skirball Cultural Center  
2701 N Sepulveda Blvd, Los Angeles, California 90049

(310)-440-4500

[www.skirball.org](http://www.skirball.org)

Parking is FREE

Get your tickets now at the SLA-SCC [website](#).

# How DiSC Can Help You and Your Library

By Sandy Li

This year, I attended an AALL webinar titled “Leadership Influence: Become a Strong Leader,” where I learned about a personality assessment tool called DiSC. Each letter in the DiSC acronym stands for the different types of behaviors people exhibit: dominance, influence, steadiness, and conscientiousness. We’re a combination of all four but we tend to show stronger traits in some versus others and these combinations vary depending on the situation. After taking a questionnaire, which can be found from online sites or from books discussing DiSC, you can determine what traits describe you the most.

Here are some of the traits that are exhibited within the DISC framework:

- Dominance – Goal-oriented, sets high standards, and enjoys competition.
- Influence – Considered a “people person,” is optimistic, and enjoys working in groups.
- Steadiness – Wants to make things easier for others, is a good listener, and enjoys helping people.
- Conscientiousness – Concerned about doing what’s right, detail-oriented, and likes adhering to rules.

(The 4-Dimensional Manager: DiSC Strategies for Managing Different People in the Best Ways by Julie Straw)

Now, you may be wondering, “why should I care about DiSC?” Taking a personality assessment tool not only helps you learn about yourself but also enables you to better understand your coworkers. For example, if you are a strong D, where high Ds are known to be direct and decisive, and you come across someone who is a strong S, who tends to be sympathetic and wants to create stable environments, the two of you may encounter conflict. The high D personality might demand a quick answer, while the person who is a strong S might see this approach as too aggressive. However, if you are aware that you are a high D, you can adapt your approach and instead of being so direct with the high S

personality, you can introduce the topic and invite discussion.

I know that for myself, taking the DiSC questionnaire helped me to understand why I found certain interactions to be difficult or uncomfortable. For example, at home I tend to identify more with the S trait, so if a neighbor came by and was more direct with me like a high D personality, I would perceive that person as being confrontational. But now, knowing how I am at home, I have a better understanding of my neighbor and can react to her differently and more sympathetically. According to Julie Straw who wrote *The 4-Dimensional Manager: DiSC Strategies for Managing Different People in the Best Ways*, “[a]dapting doesn’t mean changing who you or others are. It means responding to the needs of a particular situation—when you choose to.”

DiSC can also be helpful in understanding and improving your organization. If, for instance, you are aware you are a high C and you are getting frustrated that there are few standards in place at your library, being aware of yourself may help you focus your energies

on changing the library rather than on your frustrations. Also, if you understand that you are a high I, you might be willing to take on tasks that not only match you but would help the library as well. For example, if you are a high I and you need to reach out to your patrons to get them to attend an event at your library, you might enjoy calling your patrons or telling them in person about the event.

As a manager, understanding DiSC can help you identify your employees’ strengths and weaknesses. Having this information enables you to target ways to build on those strengths and help those around you achieve their goals. Additionally, in your day-to-day communications, you can more effectively communicate with your employees and improve the relationship you have with them.

Regardless of whether you are a manager, DiSC is a useful tool for people in all walks of life. By having a better understanding of yourself and others, you create a more productive, healthier environment at work and at home.

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## Membership News

*Welcome, new members!*

**Tamara Carson**, Law Library Specialist at Chapman University Law Library

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# Library FrightFest: Library Marketing Meets Law School Community Building

By Jodi Kruger & Jessica Strefling

On October 29, the Harnish Law Library at the Pepperdine University School of Law held its second annual Library FrightFest. FrightFest, part library table day, part Halloween party, was born out of the desire to more effectively market library resources and to better integrate the library with law school events. A lot goes on in the Library during FrightFest, starting with donuts in the library. Librarians staff tables providing information on various library resources and services, and students earn raffle tickets for each table they visit. Lunch and other treats are served, and of course costumes are encouraged. Although FrightFest is only two years old, this is a tradition the Library looks forward to hosting for years to come.

The idea for FrightFest was sparked by an AALL listserv thread discussing table days and other efforts to publicize library resources. Assistant Director for Reference Services, Jodi Kruger, found this thread in her ongoing effort to find avenues to promote library resources and services, and to raise its profile within the law school.

Jodi and Assistant Director for Public Services, Jessica Strefling, discussed the idea of a library table day, and together they fleshed out a proposal for an “infotainment” day, with tables staffed by librarians promoting various resources and services, treats, and a raffle. Originally they wanted to hold this event during second or third week of classes, but after presenting the concept to Katie Kerr, the Assistant Dean of the Law Library, she suggested Halloween instead. She also suggested the Library host the Student Bar Association’s annual costume contest as part of the festivities. This would both attract more students to the event and illustrate the role of the Library as a key partner in the law school community.

With this, FrightFest was off and running. The first FrightFest was held on Thursday, October 31, 2013, from 12:00 - 4:00, and the

second was held on Wednesday, October 29, 2014, from 10:00 - 2:00. Events and activities included:

- **Tables promoting various resources and services.** While librarians staff most of the tables, our technology support (IS) division also has a table. Resources and services promoted by the librarians include: (1) various public services such as the availability of phone and computer chargers, loaner laptops, discount movie tickets, study rooms, the library gym (yes, there is a gym in the Library), etc.; (2) how to use the Library catalog and ILL services; (3) services for faculty research assistants and law journal students; (4) legal and non-legal databases; (5) the Library’s research guide collection; (6) research methodologies; and (7) the availability of reference librarians by email, text, and live online chat.
- **Raffle.** As students visit each station and listen to the “spiel,” they earn raffle tickets. The grand prize was a Kindle Fire in 2013, and an iPad Mini in 2014. Additional prizes include, movie tickets, University fitness classes, reserved carrels, print credit, and library mugs.
- **Treats! Treats! Treats!** Students are offered a steady stream of treats throughout the day. There are Krispy Kreme donuts for breakfast and McDonalds sandwiches for lunch. Each table offers candy, cookies, or a small toy so that students can actually trick-or-treat their way through the event. FrightFest concludes with “Library Happy Hour,” a snack and soft-drink student reception the Library holds weekly.
- **Costumes.** Costumes are encouraged at FrightFest, and the librarians and IS staff typically all dress according to a theme. In 2013, the librarians and IS staff dressed as characters from the

movie Wreck It Ralph, and in 2014, the costume theme was Despicable Me. Beginning in 2013, the SBA held its costume contest in the Library during FrightFest, which was a big hit with the students.

FrightFest allows the Library to assess what services students are using and what services they would like us to add. At one station, students take a brief survey. The students appreciate being solicited for feedback, and the Library has already implemented some of the suggestions raised in response to the survey. Students have noticed this responsiveness, and the overall consensus from the survey ... they really, really like the Library!

FrightFest also gives the Library a chance to reach out to students who are not “regulars” by simply inviting them to come to the Library for something fun. More than 125 students attended the event, and almost 600 raffle tickets were submitted, representing individual marketing interactions held during the event.

Faculty and staff have taken notice. Many come to FrightFest, including the Dean of Students, and they leave with a greater appreciation of the role of the Library to the law school community.

FrightFest has proven to be the Library’s most effective marketing strategy. The librarians get more face-time with the students and the opportunity to strut their stuff, demonstrating how Library resources are useful to the students in law school and beyond. Following FrightFest, students seem to find the librarians more approachable and to recognize the Library as a partner in their education.

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# Winning Time and Attention

By Cindy Guyer

Law students, summer associates, interns, and attorneys always seem to be in a rush. Even when they're standing still or sitting down, their attention is on their mobile devices. So we librarians are constantly competing for their attention and time – unfortunately we often lose this competition. What can we do to help us win? How do we get attendees at our trainings? How do we ensure they're learning? How do we make them remember us? Here are a few tips I've learned from my years as a reference and instructional librarian and also from other law librarians.

## Incentives and Takeaways

For many law schools, firms and courts, legal research instruction and trainings are optional. So librarians have a huge challenge even getting warm bodies to attend. How can we convince folks to pause and make instruction worth their time and effort? First, be clear about what you're teaching, why it's valuable to them, and how long it will take (preferably no more than 20-30 minutes). Of course they'll be interested, but you need a little extra something to get them in the door – incentives and takeaways.

At an AALL Annual Program meeting, one firm librarian was very open about using incentives to encourage summer associates to attend legal research trainings. These included gift cards and lunches. And they work – a win for librarians! If you don't have a budget for purchases, consider smaller incentives such as a batch of brownies for a training at 3 pm....the perfect time for a little sugar. Another option is to ask vendors to supply takeaways to give to the attendees of a training of their own product. It'll be your own version of the AALL annual meeting exhibit hall.

## Props

Let's face it, teaching legal research or a new database can be a little boring. How can we spice this up? Props! Take administrative law – one of the least exciting and possibly most confusing legal research topics. Last year, I came across a resource in the RIPS-SIS 21st National Research Teach-In Instructional

Resource Kit that suggested using props to get students familiar with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). I thought this was fabulous and thankfully my colleagues were willing to experiment with this idea. So we identified several CFR sections that show the variety and breadth of regulations, and then thought of props to accompany the sections. These are some of the props we've used:

- Wine Bottle – 27 C.F.R. § 4.32 Mandatory label information (the fun is emptying the bottle!)
- Toy Car – 23 C.F.R. § 1200.24 Distracted driving grants
- Antacids – 21 C.F.R. § 331.20 Determination of percent contribution of active ingredients
- Milk Carton – 7 C.F.R. § 215.1 Special Milk Program for Children under the Child Nutrition Act of 1966.

We used props for the first time last spring 2014 with our J.D. students and this past fall with our foreign LL.M. students. In my classes, the students were immediately intrigued and eager to work with the props. Yes, we won their attention! As one of my students



was packing up at the end of class, he commented, "Today was a fun class." Bonus points!

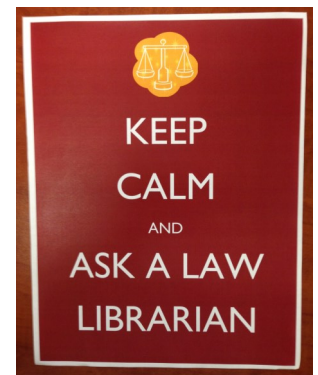
## Impressions

Oftentimes folks don't come to librarians unless they NEED us. It's not ideal, but it's reality. Therefore, we must ensure that they know where and how to find us, and also that we want to be found. Providing welcoming and helpful impressions are crucial to providing good customer service.

Consider creating bookmarks, magnets for the file cabinets, or coasters for coffee mugs with your library's contact information – phone, email, website or intranet URL, name(s) and

don't be shy to include a lovely photo of yourself. What you offer will depend on where you work and who you serve. The point is to offer something small but useful on a daily basis that will grab their attention towards remembering you and your library services.

Once folks arrive, make sure you provide a welcome mat – literally or figuratively. Have a welcome sign, decorate for an upcoming holiday, or set out a bowl of candy. In line with the "Keep Calm and Carry On" movement, my colleague Karen Skinner made a sign for our Reference Office after seeing a t-shirt at an ALA Conference that read "Keep Calm and Ask a Librarian." If you don't know about this movement, google "keep calm and carry on history" for more information. Our library's sign reads "Keep Calm and Ask a Law Librarian." I thought her idea was marvelous, but more importantly, our students did too. I've been surprised by the number of students (and faculty members) stopping in their never-ending rush of their days to complement our sign. I even had one student over the summer



come up to the Reference Office and say, "I need help with a research problem. But can I take a picture of the sign first?" She wasn't the first or last student to photograph our sign. This is definitely a win!

Winning time and attention of law students, interns, summer associates and attorneys can be a challenging competition. But treat this competition as an opportunity to be creative, and you just may have fun yourself. Every time someone reaches out to you consider that a win! Good luck!

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## Heard Around Town

By Larry Meyer

Greetings Fellow SCALL members! With winter (Southern California Style) right around the corner, I thought I would start this column by congratulating one of our members for scaling the cold heights of Mount Kilimanjaro! Good job **Judy Davis** for accomplishing this feat. How many librarians, especially law librarians, can say they have made the trek to the top of Kilimanjaro?



Congratulations are also in order for **L.A. Law Library**. Their recent observance of Constitution Day received a mention in the latest issue of the FDLP Connection. Speaking of public law libraries, the **San Bernardino County Law Library** recently moved its Rancho Cucamonga branch into a new facility that is being shared with the Western San Bernardino County Bar Association. If you are in the area, feel free to stop by and visit the new facility.

SCALL congratulations are extended to Past President **Hugh Treacy** and his family! On Saturday, November 22, Hugh and his wife, Antonietta, were beaming with pride and excitement as they officially adopted their son Anthony Joseph Treacy, welcoming him into their family.

Sadly, many of you noted the passing of **Marie Wallace** in the AALL e-newsletter. We join her family and friends in mourning her passing. Marie was a long time stalwart of SCALL. She was instrumental in the founding of the annual SCALL Institute. For many years after retiring, she continued to attend SCALL events. At one event in particular, we had a discussion about her retirement activities. At that point, she was actively participating in efforts to oppose expansion proposals at LAX because she strongly felt that those proposals would negatively affect her neighborhood. As always, it was an educational and enlightening conversation.

As a reminder, if you have any news for the next column, please to send the information to Larry Meyer: [larrym@sblawlibrary.org](mailto:larrym@sblawlibrary.org).

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Featuring thirteen speakers from academic libraries, the U.S. Government Printing Office, Fastcase, Reed Tech, Internet Archive, and the Los Alamos National Laboratory, presenters discussed problems and solutions for link rot and reference rot in legal documents. Sessions covered topics such as *Whose Problem is This?*, the Webmaster's View, and a two-part presentation discussing link rot strategies.

As part of the symposium, Georgetown Law Library is providing a selection of curated readings (including a bibliography of scholarship that discusses electronic resource citation in academic and court settings), documents, and tips on its website. One such document includes a section entitled *White Paper: Framing the Symposium (White Paper)* which can be found at this link beginning on page 13: <http://www.law.georgetown.edu/library/404/upload/Master-document-handout.pdf>.

Included in the White Paper are ten best practices for webpage linking. The fifth best

practice is generally not to do this, because as the White Paper indicates, landing pages are typically more stable than PDF URLs. PDFs are moved around while landing pages tend to stay consistent. Instead of the PDF link above, the more stable option is to provide the landing page URL: <http://www.law.georgetown.edu/library/404/404-readings.cfm> and note to readers that there is an Agenda, Speaker List, White Paper, Bibliography, and Attendee List (PDF) that is quite useful. This got me thinking about the rules of electronic citation. This best practice is consistent with Rule 18.2.2 of *The Bluebook* (19th ed.) which calls for citing, "to the most stable electronic location available." It may however raise an issue for Rule 18.2.2 (f) which prefers pagination-preserving formats such as PDFs over HTML formats. The list of the ten best practices is a must-read.

Also on its landing page for readings at <http://www.law.georgetown.edu/library/404/404-readings.cfm> is a section on Practical Tools and Tips. My favorite is

DeadURL.com. Recently, I was helping a library patron track down a free 2011 report posted by the Gallup Organization to its website. The report was cited in several law review articles with a direct link to a PDF document. Each specific link we tried was redirected only to Gallup.com; even Gallup's own link to the document resulted in redirection. DeadURL.com tracked down the report within minutes. (And yes, *The Bluebook* has a rule for citing to an archival copy: 18.2.2(h).)

My colleague Rachel graciously shares her impressions from the symposium:

"While the symposium was mainly geared towards reference or research staff, much of the discussion is highly applicable to those of us in cataloging or e-resource management. It is safe to say that as we increasingly provide links to electronic resources via our local catalogs, the workload to manage those e-resources—running reports, checking for broken links, updating records, etc.—is also steadily increasing. The problem of link rot in library collections looks slightly different, but the impact of dead links is just as frustrating. The discussion around link rot is not necessarily a new one in technical services, but this symposium inspired me to think critically about our local standards for inputting links into our catalog in order to minimize the likelihood that they will expire. Furthermore, I think this symposium created a platform for further discussion on the topic, which I look forward to at AALL events in the future."

For those interested in learning more, Georgetown Law Library is making the symposium video available on its website for viewing at this page (which should be available by press time): <http://www.law.georgetown.edu/library/404/streaming.cfm>.

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## Job Opportunities

*By Don Buffalo*

Business and Legal Research Analyst; DLA Piper; Los Angeles, November 3

Corporate Researcher; Special Counsel Information Governance; Los Angeles or New York, October 17

Reference Librarian; Sidley Austin LLP; Los Angeles, New York, or Chicago, October 8

Technical and Research Librarian; Special Counsel Information Governance; Century City, September 24

Director; University of San Francisco School of Law; San Francisco, September 23

Technical Services Librarian; Riverside County Law Library; Riverside, September 2

Librarians & Library Technical Assistants, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Statewide, Ongoing

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# Executive Board Meeting

By Cheryl Kelly Fischer

A regular meeting of the SCALL Executive Board was held on Thursday, June 19, 2014 at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in Pasadena:

Paul Moorman, President  
Kelsey Chrisley, Vice-President/President Elect  
Jessica Wimer, Treasurer  
Cheryl Kelly Fischer, Secretary  
Judy Davis, Board Member  
Karol Howard, Board Member

Guests present were:

Victoria Williamson, Vice President, Elect  
Amber Kennedy Madole, Secretary Elect  
Michelle Tolley, Board Member Elect

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 4:16 PM.

## I. Minutes

The minutes of the March 13, 2014 regular board meeting were approved.

Jessica Wimer moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Kelsey Chrisley seconded. Judy Davis moved to approve the minutes, Jessica Wimer seconded. There was no discussion and the motion carried.

## II. Treasurer's Report

Jessica Wimer submitted a written report. SCALL has total assets of \$38,928.96, and the balance with outstanding checks is \$31,649.46.

Institute money is still arriving and the Treasurer and the Vice President will meet to discuss Institute finances.

Kelsey Chrisley moved to approve the report, Judy Davis seconded. There was no discussion and the motion carried. The written report is filed with these minutes.

## III. Secretary's Report

Cheryl Kelly Fischer reported that SCALL's first online voting election was successful. Benefits of using the AALL Online Election

System included ease of administration and security. SCALL's 264 members were notified electronically of their eligibility to vote using the AALL Online Election System, and 86 completed 2014-2015 SCALL Board election ballots were recorded by the deadline.

The results were: Victoria Williamson was elected Vice-President/President Elect, Amber Kennedy Madole was elected Secretary, and Michelle Tolley was elected Board Member.

Per the AALL Online Voting Service Agreement, ten days past the election end date, all election data, including ballot details, in the AALL Online Election System will be destroyed.

The current SCALL policies document lists Secretary duties as they relate to paper ballots. Cheryl proposed updating the policies document so that the Secretary duties reflect online elections and she provided the newly elected Secretary with an edited draft for the Board to consider.

The UPS mailbox is paid and in good standing and there have been no recent mail forwarding problems.

Judy Davis moved to approve the report, Jessica Wimer seconded. There was no discussion and the motion carried.

## IV. President's Report

Paul Moorman reported that SCALL is responsible for organizing the 2015 Pacific Chapters Reception for Philadelphia. Paul will help form a committee to work on this task.

The update to SCALL's Bylaws to reflect the new AALL anti-discrimination language will be voted on at today's Business Meeting. Paul will notify AALL if it passes.

The Institute site-selection committee, Victoria, Diana Jaque and Paul, have identified and visited three potential venues for the next Institute and are putting together budg-

ets for each. They will have a decision in the next few weeks.

Jessica Wimer moved to approve the report, Kelsey Chrisley seconded. There was no discussion and the motion carried.

## V. Vice-President's Report

Kelsey Chrisley delivered an interim report on the Institute in lieu of a final report because some details are still being resolved. The Final Report is forthcoming.

Kelsey commended the Institute committee chairs and committee members for their work on this year's Institute.

Judy Davis moved to approve the report, Jessica Wimer seconded. There was no discussion and the motion carried. A written interim report is filed with these minutes.

## VI. Committee Reports

The Board received and read all committee annual reports by email, and those reports are filed with the minutes of this meeting. Per Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure, all reports are considered filed without voting.

## VII. New Business

Awards of Appreciation will be given to the SCALL Newsletter compilers, Debbie Lipton (2009-2012) and Tanya Cao (2012-2014). Certificates will be mailed at a future date. Karol moved to approve these awards, Cheryl Kelly Fischer seconded. There was no discussion and the motion carried.

Annual committee reports will be added to the SCALL website for this year and for last year. Additionally, interim committee reports given to Board member liaisons before regular meetings of the Board, as well as any President/VP/Secretary reports mentioned in Board meeting minutes will also need a place to permanently reside. The Board will discuss finding a home for all of these docu-

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ments so that everything can be found in one place.

A question of voting eligibility arose in this year's SCALL Board election. SCALL By-laws require that eligible voters in the SCALL Board election reside in the geographical boundaries of SCALL. The Board will look into whether other chapters include this restriction in their bylaws and will discuss further.

The Professional Development Committee was recently created by the Board to organize continuing education events. However the committee has produced no policies, programming or annual reports. Kelsey will

talk to the chair about options including disbanding the committee, appointing a new chair, or reorganizing it as a subcommittee under the Programs Committee.

### VIII. Old Business

In response to AALL's request that our chapter participate in a member list exchange with AALL, the SCALL membership was given an option on this year's membership renewal forms to opt out. On August 1, SCALL will share our member list with AALL with the exception of those members who opted out.

There has been no additional progress on a

website redesign. The Board discussed the possibility of creating a special committee for the task rather than adding it to the IT Committee responsibilities.

### IX. Thanking and Welcoming

Paul thanked all outgoing Board members for their service and welcomed those newly elected to the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:09 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cheryl Kelly Fischer  
SCALL Secretary, 2012-2014

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## Treasurer's Report

By Jessica Wimer

### SCALL Balance

The current balance is \$41,886.17.

### Budget Detail

Committee	Expenses	Income	Remaining Budget
Archives	\$0	\$0	\$100
Awards	\$0	\$0	\$400
Board/Pres./Vice Pres.	\$548.60	\$0	\$3,451.40
CRIV	\$0	\$0	\$0
Government Relations	\$0	\$0	\$500
Grants	\$0	\$0	\$6,000
Information Technology	\$18	\$0	\$3,982
SCALL Institute	\$321.84	\$0	\$15,321.84
Inner City Youth	\$0	\$0	\$4,000
Library School Liaison	\$0	\$0	\$4,000
Membership	\$400	\$5200	\$7,300
Newsletter	\$0	\$0	\$200
Nominations	\$0	\$0	\$100
Placement	\$0	\$0	\$0
Programs	\$949.93	\$1379	\$5,429.07
Public Access Legal Info	\$0	\$0	\$150
Public Relations	\$188.10	\$0	\$111.90
Relations w/ Vendors	\$0	\$0	\$0
Secretary	\$252.80	\$0	\$547.20
Treasurer & Taxes	\$370	\$0	\$330
Professional Development	\$0	\$0	\$0

### Submission Deadlines

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