2015-2016 SCALL Annual Committee Reports
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ARCHIVES COMMITTEE:

Members: Ralph Stahlberg (Chair), Katty Argudo and Refugio Acker-Ramirez.
Board Liaison: Christina Tsou
Budget: $100, $0 expended

Committee Report:
Copies of the year’s Newsletter (vol. 43) were printed out and added to the Archives collection, despite
online availability. Still feel this is the premier source for SCALL information along with the President’s
Report in Law Library Journal (which seems to be no longer included).

Adding materials from the 2016 Annual Institute: “Upping Your Game, Growing your Organization’s
Information Advantage.”

Received and answered several requests for SCALL historical information.

Was kept updated on discussions with SANDALL and NOCALL Archivists, and Suzie Shatarevyan, our
Technology Chair on possible options for preserving Chapter historical materials now that much of the
material is only available in a digital format. Believe ultimate decision was too costly even split among
the 3 organizations. SANDALL shared their Archive Policy with me. Most interesting was “Every effort
will be made to digitize print materials”, so part of our library world ongoing debate. Scope of their
collection similar to SCALL’s.

Prepared by Ralph Stahlberg / 6/20/2016

AWARDS COMMITTEE:

Members: Jennifer Berman (Chair), Diana Jaque and Larry Meyer
Board Liaison: Michelle Tolley
Budget: $400, $170.55 expended

Committee Report:
The William B. Rohan Chapter Service Award has been awarded to Suzie Shatarevyan.

The Vendor Service Award has been awarded to Sarah Joshi.

We did not award The Albert O. Brecht Lifetime Achievement Award.

Respectfully submitted,

The 2015-2016 Awards Committee
Jennifer Berman, Chair
Diana Jaque, member
Mark Gediman, member
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BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Chair: Jessica Wimer
Board Liaison: Joy Shoemaker
Budget: $700, $505 expended

Committee Report:
The committee had another productive year of consulting with the Treasurer to ensure all deadlines were met (chapter insurance, filing taxes, etc.). The committee also answered questions from the Treasurer that arose during the year and provided expert opinions and advice. The committee thanks the board for allowing it to play such an essential role in the organization, despite the tremendous workload.

Respectfully,
Jessica Wimer
Chair, Budget and Finance Committee.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE:

Members: Amy Atchison (Chair) and David McFadden
Board Liaison: Paul Moorman
Budget: $0

Committee Report:
This year the Bylaws Committee drafted proposed amendments regarding succession. They were approved by the AALL Bylaws & Resolutions Committee and are now ready to be submitted to the membership.

In addition, per the AALL Committee’s usual practice, the committee also reviewed the full current bylaws. The committee found nothing to be in conflict with AALL’s bylaws, but they did have a few suggestions that may improve the document’s clarity as well as some technical corrections. Because AALL’s only requirement for chapter bylaws is that they not conflict with AALL bylaws, the recommendations are only that. Our bylaws committee will consider these changes at a later date and submit them to the board.

David McFadden also served on the bylaws committee and helped out quite a bit. I appreciated his work and advice.

Thank you,

Amy
GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

Members: David McFadden (Chair), Larry Meyer, Lu Nguyen, Carolina Rose, and Maryruth Storer.
Board Liaison: Joy Shoemaker
Budget: $400, $0 expended

Committee Report:
The GRC continues to monitor legislation and re-post AALL GRC and AALL Government Relations Office postings when relevant.

AB 1648 (Wilk) would have included documents “issued on the Internet” in the definition of “state publication” for distribution purposes. AB 882 (Wilk) was gut and amended to include text from AB 1648 allowing “a member of the public to copy, share, distribute, or republish a state publication authored by the state.” AB 882 will be monitored.

AB 2033 (Wilk) would have added county law libraries as an alternative to county libraries for distribution of the California Code of Regulations. AB 2033 did not pass out of its house of origin by the June 3 deadline and is now presumed dead.

In March 2016, the SCALL GRC assisted SCALL President Victoria Williamson and the SCALL Board in responding to a request from SANDALL Immediate Past President Anna Russell to sign onto a letter of support for AB 2674 (Bonta) – a bill sponsored by the California State Archives which would have required the Secretary of State to establish an Online Archives Program to be administered by the State Archives for the purpose of providing public access to state records and other records and items of historical and archival value, as specified. AB 2674 did not pass out of its house of origin by the June 3 deadline and is now presumed dead.

The committee has worked with the NOCALL and SANDALL GRC Chairs along with the Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) and Emily Feltren of the AALL Government Relations Office over AB 2880, an Assembly Judiciary Committee bill. This bill originally would have explicitly extended federal copyright to California publications and electronic resources. Due to short turnaround times, SCALL didn’t participate in any group letter objecting to the bill. Fortunately, the bill has recently been amended to strip away most of the objectionable parts. The bill is now in the Senate and since it has been amended would have to pass out of that house and back to the Assembly prior to the end of August. The committee will continue to monitor the bill, work with the other law library groups and seek SCALL Board approval of a joint letter, if necessary.

Chair David McFadden participated in the Council of California County Law Librarians’ Legislative Day in Sacramento on Tuesday, 1 March. He assisted L.A. Library Executive Director Sandra Levin and other county law library directors in visiting the offices of state legislators from L.A. County in an effort to educate legislators and staff about county law libraries, the plight of county law library funding and asking for a one-time general fund budget request to restore them to their FY 2008-09 revenue funding level.
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Michelle Finerty of NOCALL and the incoming vice chair of the AALL GRC has brought together a group of California AALL chapter GRC chairs and few others to discuss coordination of law library government relations efforts in California. The three AALL Chapters plus Council of California County Law Librarians (CCCLL) have a rich history of working together and this is a continuation of that. The group has had a number of conference calls and is working on a document about California Law Library Government Relations Cooperation which will be presented to the SCALL Board and other AALL Chapter boards when completed.

Submitted by David McFadden, SCALL GRC Chair
21 June 2016

GRANTS COMMITTEE:

Members: Cindy Guyer (Chair), Carol Ebbinghouse, Caitlin Hunter and Mahum Shere.
Board Liaison: Joy Shoemaker
Budget: $6000, $5979 expended
Committee Report:
The Grants Committee worked in February to distribute awards for the 2016 SCALL Institute, and again in April to distribute awards for the 2016 AALL Annual Meeting.

2016 SCALL Institute Grants
   2 grants applicants > 2 grant awards > $646 total distributed
2016 AALL Annual Meeting Grants
   7 grant applicants > 7 grant awards > $5,345 total distributed

This year we asked all grant recipients to write an article for the SCALL Newsletter related to their attendance at the conferences (e.g., summary and highlights of a program session, experience as a first-time attendee, review of a vendor product). All recipients agreed to do so willing and their names were provided to the Newsletter Committee for further instructions.

Since becoming Chair of this committee there have been challenges with lack of historical information for this committee. For example, I had no idea of prior awards made for different conferences, nor did I have the names of prior recipients. Also, I did not have the original grant application form to make necessary revisions. I had to glean procedures and processes from prior emails and question/answers from the board liaison. I suggest a documents folder be created and shared with the board to facilitate more effective and efficient transitions of future Chairs, e.g. Dropbox or Google drive docs.

Many thanks to my committee members, the SCALL board and Joy Shoemaker for all their support during my first year as Chair.

My best,
Cindy Guyer
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE:

Members: Suzie Shatarevyan (Chair) and Bret Christensen
Board Liaison: Amber Kennedy Madole
Budget: $7,500, $5607.20 expended.

SCALL Institute Website Expenses:

- $18 (September, 2015) Domain name mapping fee
- $2125 (November 2015) (Law Leaders Lab).
- $214.20 (December 2015) Website hosting fee (3 years)
- $2250 (April 2016) (Law Leaders Lab).
- $1000 (May 2016) (Internet Archive, Archivelt)

Committee Report:
Report by: Suzie Shatarevyan, IT Committee Chair
The SCALL IT Committee is tasked with maintaining the SCALL website(s) as well as the association listserv. Below is a breakdown of updates for the new and old websites, and the listserv.

WEBSITE
This past year was a big year for the SCALL website. After talking about a website refresher for a number of years, it finally happened in 2016.

NEW WEBSITE (HTTP://SCALLNET.ORG/)
In early November 2015, we hired Law Leaders Lab (LLL) represented by CEO Debra Baker, to create a new website and do a logo refresh for SCALL. By the end of November, we submitted a discovery document to Courtney Darnell, the account manager assigned to our project, to pull in some initial concepts and put together an agenda for a kickoff meeting. On Friday, December 4 we had a conference call with most of the SCALL board members and LLL. On December 10, we started working with Courtney on the development of the new website. We had our initial review call on January 14. Between mid-January through mid-March, we had a series of review calls as the website was getting developed. During this process, there was a lot of back and forth providing feedback on what was working and what needed changes. On April 6, Debra Baker sent the final invoice with a summary of the project and closed out our engagement, however, some areas of the site were still unresolved and work continued with the developer until the end of April. The new website was officially launched on May 13, 2016.

OLD WEBSITE (HTTP://WWW.AALLNET.ORG/CHAPTER/SCALL/)
Updates to the old website ended when the new site became “live”. Because of the enormity of content and the fiscal impossibility of migrating everything from the old site into the new, the Board made a decision to pay for a one-time closure crawl and permanently archive the old website, along with the Institute Website. The closure crawl was complete on June 2, 2016 by Archive-It. We will be following-up to provide additional metadata and descriptions for the archived site.

INSTITUTE WEBSITE (HTTPS://SCALLINSTITUTE.ORG/)
Beginning with the 2013 SCALL Institute, a separate Institute website was created because the old website had severe limitations for adding comprehensive Institute related information. With the launch
of the new website, we no longer have this limitation, therefore the Institute information has been re-integrated back. Most of the content of this site has been migrated into the new website; however, the Institute website has also been archived via the Archive-It closure crawl with the old website.

LISTSERV
As of June 9, 2016, there are 235 subscribers to the SCALL listserv. Between June 2015 through May 2016, 27 new members were added to the listserv. This includes both new members who joined SCALL, as well as current members who were not previously subscribed. SCALL membership does not automatically translate to listserv subscriber. Members must request to be added to the listserv and are encouraged by the Membership Committee Co-Chairs to do so when they pay their dues. The IT Committee works with the Membership Committee to keep the listserv subscriber list up-to-date. Once a year, Membership Committee sends list of membership non-renewals to SCALL IT Committee. Access to the listserv is a privilege of SCALL membership. Non-member accounts are removed from the subscriber list.

INNER CITY YOUTH INTERNSHIP PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

Members: Diana Jaque (Chair), Deborah Farkas, Maria Garcia, Jan Goldsmith, Sandy Li, Hazel Lord, Shoreh Saljooghi
Board Liaison: Paul Moorman
Budget: $5000, $5000 expended
Committee Report:
The ICYIP committee was budgeted $5,000 in 2015/16 by the SCALL Board. In addition to this, $1,500 was donated by several anonymous donors to LAEP for the program. This enabled the committee to furnish five students with subsidized internships of approximately 103 hours each. Due to the increase in the California State and City of Los Angeles minimum wage, the hours for each internship were reduced. The five subsidized interns were placed in the following law library and legal settings: L.A. Law Library, UCLA Law Library, Los Angeles City Attorney’s Office, Law Library for San Bernardino County, and the California Court of Appeal-2nd District. Of note, this is the first time in several years we have been able to place an intern at an academic institution. Many of the interns are potential first generation college goers, so this is very exciting! Also, in addition, the L.A. Law Library is paying for an additional intern, so there are a total of six interns in the program this year.

Our contact at LAEP, Molly Heber, and I are working together and plan several internship site visits. We are working on other improvements to the program for 2016 and 2017. As always, thank you to the SCALL Board and the various members who continue to generously donate to this program each year.

Sincerely,

Diana C. Jaque
2015/16 Chair, SCALL ICYIP
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INSTITUTE COMMITTEE:

Members: Stefanie Frame (Chair), Michael SaintOnge,
Board Liaison: Stefanie Frame
Budget: $12,000, $12,662.78 expended

Committee Report:
The 44th Annual SCALL Institute was held March 4-5, 2016, at the Temecula Creek Inn.

Financials:
- SCALL Institute Income: $26,132.54
- SCALL Institute Expenses: $12,662.78 ($12,000 Budget)
- SCALL Institute Profit: $13,469.76

Attendance – 94 attendees:
- 68 conference attendees
- 3 guests
- 18 exhibitors
- 1 sponsor
- 4 speakers

Sponsors – 11 total:

Major Sponsors:
- Bloomberg BNA – Friday Chocolate Break
- Continuing Education of the Bar (CEB) – Saturday Breakfast
- LexisNexis – Closing Luncheon
- Questel Orbit Inc. – Travel & Expenses for Keynote Speaker Scott Bailey
- Thomson Reuters – Friday Evening Reception

Sponsors:
- CourtAlert – Exhibitor Game Prizes & Critical Funding for Institute
- Courthouse News Service – Exhibitor Game Prizes
- DocketNavigator – Saturday Coffee Break
- Loose Leaf Filing Service, Inc. – Exhibitor Game Prizes & Critical Funding for Institute
- LRI History LLC – Exhibitor Game Prizes & Critical Funding for Institute
- Retriev-It – Exhibitor Game Prizes & Critical Funding for Institute

Exhibitors – 13 total:

Major Exhibitors:
- Bloomberg BNA
- Continuing Education of the Bar (CEB)
- James Publishing
- ProQuest
- Questel Orbit Inc.
- Wolters Kluwer

Exhibitors:
- AALL
- Edward Elgar Publishing Inc.
- Jay Raymond, Legislative History and Intent
- Legislative Intent Service, Inc.
- Minesoft
- O’Connor’s Publishing
- William S. Hein & Co, Inc.

VIP Guests:
Emily Florio, Board Member, AALL
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Michele Knapp, President, SANDALL

Committee Chair – Stefanie Frame
Bibliography – David McFadden, Chair
Exhibits – Diana Jaque, Chair; Judy Davis
Local Arrangements – George Carter, Chair
Publicity – Wendy Nobunaga, Chair
Registration – Caitlin Hunter, Co-Chair; Amber Kennedy Madole, Co-Chair
Speakers – Michael Saint-Onge, Co-Chair; Jim Senter, Co-Chair
Sponsors – Jennifer Berman, Chair
Special Advisor – Jennifer Berman
Technology Support – Bret Christensen, Chair
Treasurer – Joy Shoemaker
Website – Suzie Shatarevyan, Chair

INSTITUTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Members: Jennifer Berman (Chair), Diana Jaque, Paul Moorman, Victoria Williamson

LIBRARY SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE:

Members: Stephanie Anayah (Chair)
Board Liaison: Amber Kennedy Madole
Budget: $5000, $5000 expended

Committee Report:
The SCALL Library School Liaison Committee’s charge is to establish and foster professional relationships with students enrolled in library programs in Southern California.

(1) The Committee had seven members this year, including the Committee Chair.

(2) The Committee continued its mentoring program for library school students living in southern California.

The Committee sent emails to local library school students through the UCLA library school listserv and the SJSU library school listserv inviting responses from library students wanting a law librarian mentor. Additionally, the liaison for the UNT/CSUN online program posted an invitation to their Blackboard and social media groups. This year, there were nine requests for mentors, from seven students in the San José State SLIS program, and two students in the UCLA
GES&IS program. The San José State students resided in Pasadena, Downey, Carlsbad, San Diego (2), Signal Hill, and Glendale, and the UCLA students resided in Long Beach and Anaheim.

- The mentors answered questions about the profession and provided career advice by corresponding via email, via phone or in-person with their mentee.
  - For the students residing in Downey, Carlsbad and San Diego, we had three volunteer librarian mentors who were not members of the committee—from libraries in downtown Los Angeles, Irvine, and San Diego. It turns out that SANDALL, San Diego Area Law Libraries, has a mentoring group for library students and newer librarians in San Diego called SANDALL Buddies, consisting primarily of monthly breakfast meetings where the students and newer librarians meet and chat with more experienced librarians. I discovered this program thanks to a SANDALL member who graciously reached out to me and ended up serving as a resource for two of the San Diego area students. I am excited to refer students to this program in the future, as we often get mentor requests from students in the San Diego area, and all of the committee members currently reside in the Los Angeles area.
- This can be compared to last year when 6 students requested a mentor, and the previous year when we had 3 requests. There is no obvious explanation for this difference in student response.
- The Committee will investigate whether there are other channels to advertise SCALL’s mentoring program, in order to increase the number of students requesting mentors.

(3) This year, the Committee’s budget was $5,000.

(4) The Committee also continued the SCALL Scholarship program. In February the Committee posted the application for the 2016 SCALL Scholarship on the SCALL website and advertised the scholarship on the SCALL listserv, the UCLA library school listserv, and the SJSU library school listserv. Applications were due on 3/25/16 and the Committee received two applications. All seven committee members participated in proposing award amounts for those applicants deserving of awards. The majority of the Committee determined that both applicants met the scholarship requirements by demonstrating a commitment to pursue a career in law librarianship and in April the Committee announced its decision to award scholarships to both of them. We awarded SCALL scholarships to the following applicants:
  - Rebecca Fordon (Long Beach, CA) – UCLA GSE&IS
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- Jessica Pierucci (Tustin, CA) – San José State University SLIS

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Anayah, Chair
2015-2016 Library School Liaison Committee

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:

Members: Judy Davis and Karen Skinner (Co-Chairs)
Board Liaison: Christina Tsou
Budget: $2500, $2,550 expended
Committee Report:
Membership Statistics: 2015-16

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Membership Numbers

The membership renewal season is underway, and we are currently receiving a high volume of renewal forms. The numbers above include those whose membership was current for the 2015-16 year, as well as those who have joined or renewed for the 2016-17 year.

New SCALL Website

The transition to the new website has been largely successful for the Membership Committee. Due to the new online renewal form and more accessible PayPal and credit card features, more members have
renewed online this year than ever before. Once the renewal season is finished, the committee will likely revisit our procedures for recording and updating membership renewals to better streamline with the new online options.

Newsletter Column

The committee has expanded the Membership News column in the SCALL Newsletter. Now, instead of only welcoming new and returning members, the column also includes recent events, photos and news about SCALL members. This expansion covers some of the area of the former "Heard Around Town" column and has been successful.

Memberclicks

The committee continues to be interested in alternatives to Memberclicks for the membership database and directory, but this is currently a lower priority due to the recent transition to the new SCALL website.

Other Committee Activities

- The following members were granted life memberships last year:
  - Lisa Baker
  - Patricia Hart
  - Leslie LaCount
  - Andres Victorin

- We continue to perform our regular committee functions:
  - The Membership Committee has been keeping members’ information and registration current in the database/directory.
  - We sent renewal notices in May to all members for the 2016-17 year.
  - We provided a list of eligible voters to the SCALL Secretary, Amber Kennedy Madole, for this year’s election.
  - We continue to work closely with Suzie Shatarevyan to ensure the listserv includes current SCALL members. This endeavor has proven successful in making sure more members keep their membership current.

- Although the Membership Committee appreciates interest from other SCALL members, we are not currently seeking new committee members.
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NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE:

Members: Judy Davis, Christina Tsou & Jessica Wimer (Editors), Joy Shoemaker (Compiler), Lisa Junghahn, Sherry L. Leyson, Kelly Leong, Jim Senter, Patrick Sullivan (Business Manager) and Suzie Shatarevyan (Webmaster and Listserv).

Board Liaison: Joy Shoemaker
Budget: $300, $24 expended

Committee Report:

Newsletters published since 2015 Business Meeting:

- Sept/Oct 2015
- Nov/Dec 2015
- Jan/Feb 2016
- Mar/Apr 2016
- May/June 2016

The Newsletter continues to be published on a regular schedule, and Joy Shoemaker, compiler, continues to refine the look and feel of the Newsletter. We regularly receive positive feedback regarding changes to both format and substance. Thanks to a fantastic committee, we regularly publish around 3-4 topical articles in each Newsletter, in addition to the regular contributions from the President, Secretary, Treasurer, etc.

Business Manager, Patrick Sullivan, is making a concerted effort to reach out to advertisers after a lapse of many years without advertisers. This year the Newsletter published ads from Thomson Reuters, Documents Delivered, and CEB.

Working with the Grants Committee and the Library School Liaison Committee, the Newsletter now includes articles written by scholarship and grant recipients. So far this has been a great success.

The Newsletter Committee met in an effort to streamline and regularize the process for soliciting articles from committee members, and while we are still testing out the new system, we are hopeful it will ease the workload on committee members.

Finally, the committee requests that the website is updated, to change the category of “legal resources” to “Publications.” This might make the newsletter easier to find, and would also easily include Locating the Law.

Respectfully,

Judy Davis
Christina Tsou
Jessica Wimer

June 2016
NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE:

Members: Cornell Winston (Chair) and Pauline Aranas
Board Liaison: Paul Moorman
Budget: $100, $0 expended

Committee Report:
The Nominations Committee conversed from February to April to formulate a slate to propose to the membership. The committee approach several members and formulated the following uncontested election slate:

Vice-President / President-Elect
Ramon Barajas – Library Manager for California Offices
Alston & Baird / Los Angeles

Secretary
Amber Kennedy Madole – Reference Librarian / Adjunct Professor
Loyola Law School / Los Angeles

Board Member
Erik Y. Adams – Electronic Resources Librarian
Sheppard Mullen Richter & Hampton / Los Angeles

Voting took place May 20 – June 9. The Committee was able to maintain a balance of library types (academic, government & private) on the Board for the 2016 – 2017 year.

For the coming years it is important to send several messages to the listserv asking for possible candidates. We received a name after the slate has been formulated.

My thanks are extended to Victoria Williamson for asking me to chair the committee this year, and for the opportunity to work with supportive committee members.

Humbly Submitted,
Cornell H. Winston
Chair

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE:

Members: Donald Buffaloe (Chair) and Joy Humphrey
Board Liaison: Amber Kennedy Madole
Budget: $0

Committee Report:
The Placement Committee maintains a listing of job openings for the benefit of the SCALL membership and the legal community. Between June 13, 2015 and June 10, 2016, the committee received ads for approximately 44 open positions, the same number that were posted in 2014-2015. Each job announcement was posted by Placement Committee members to both the SCALL listserv and to the SCALL Placement web page. In addition, links to current job descriptions on the SCALL Placement web page are provided in the electronic edition of the SCALL Newsletter.

In order to keep the job listings current, inquiries were periodically sent to the contacts of job postings. Each contact was asked whether the ad should continue to be listed on the SCALL Placement web page. The contacts were also asked whether the ad should be included in the next SCALL Newsletter issue. Positions were only listed in the newsletter when express permission was given by the contact.

There are currently 7 jobs posted: 3 from Los Angeles County; 3 from the Bay Area, and 1 from Los Angeles or San Francisco.

The members of the Placement Committee are Don Buffaloe (Chair) and Tiffani Willis. I would like to thank Suzie Shatarevyan for her helpful technical support in maintaining the SCALL Placement Web page, including the transition to the new SCALL page in April, 2016.

I would also like to thank SCALL for giving me the opportunity to work on this Committee. Both Tiffani and I would like to continue to serve on the Placement committee. This is adequate staffing given the current workload of the Placement committee, and we do not need additional committee members.

Respectfully Submitted June 10, 2016

Don Buffaloe
Chair, SCALL Placement Committee 2015/2016

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Members: Mark Gediman & Jennifer Berman (Co-Chairs), Susan Brodsky and Ramon Barajas
Board Liaison: Michelle Tolley
Budget: $1000, $0 expended
Committee Report:
We put together a program on budgeting featuring John DiGilio at the Fall Business Meeting October 22nd. For many reasons, we were unable to plan any other programs this year. We plan a more robust slate in the fall, including an in depth panel discussion on AI and legal. -Mark Gediman, Co-chair
PROGRAMS COMMITTEE:

Members: Elyse Meyers & Sarah Joshi (Co-Chairs) and Erik Adams
Board Liaison: Michelle Tolley
Budget: $5000, $2804.31 expended
Committee Report (6/10/16):
SCALL Programs Committee
2016 Business Meeting Report
6/10/2016

The Fall Meeting took place on Thursday, October 22, 2015 at McDermott, Will & Emery. We had a professional development presentation on budgeting by John DiGilio of Reed Smith. We had around 25 attendees and had catering from Clementine.

The SCALL Holiday Party took place Tuesday, December 10, 2015 at BS Taqueria in downtown Los Angeles. We had about 37 attendees and heard rave reviews about the food and fun.

Our spring meeting took place on Tuesday, April 12 at Southwestern Law School. We had Daniel Lewis, co-founder of Ravel Law, discuss trends in legal research and product developments. There was catering from Porto Via. The meeting received a positive review in the SCALL Newsletter.

The Business Meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 21 at the Ninth Circuit courthouse in Pasadena. We expect more than 20 attendees.

Erik Adams will be leaving our committee to join the SCALL Board. We have invited Margaret Hall from Southwestern Law School to join the committee. She has accepted and Victoria Williamson has approved. In the next year, we are also going to take a look at the bylaws related to our committee and make suggestions for revisions.

Thank you,

Sarah Joshi & Elyse Meyers
SCALL Programs Committee Chairs

PUBLIC ACCESS TO LEGAL INFORMATION COMMITTEE:

Members: Elizabeth Caulfield (Chair), Laura Cadra, Esther Eastman, Janine Liebert, David McFadden, Kara Noel.
Board Liaison: Victoria Williamson
Budget: $150, $66.47 expended
Committee Report:
In June 2016, the Public Access to Legal Information (PALI) Committee offered to provide a Basic Legal Research for Non-Law Librarians instructional session at the Riverside County Law Library, to carry out the Committee’s charge to serve as a resource to public libraries. The Committee advertised the session through CALIX, the California Library Association’s listserv. The response to the proposed session was low, so the Committee canceled the presentation and plans to advertise more aggressively the next time it proposes a session. Two attendees who had planned to attend expressed disappointment that the session would not be held, demonstrating the interest in legal research held by some non-law librarians.

The Committee is in the beginning stages of planning to update Locating the Law for a sixth edition. The tentative goal for completion of a sixth edition is the end of the 2016-2017 annual year (May/June 2017).

Submitted by Elizabeth Caulfield
Chair of the PALI Committee, 2015-2016

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE:
Chair: Bret Christensen
Board Liaison: Victoria Williamson
Budget: $300, $261.94 expended
Committee Report:
Two purposes of Public Relations are to promote and secure good will in a community. This year, as Chair of the Public Relations Committee, I started this by purchasing a 3-in-1 pen/2 gb flash drive/laser pointer. These pens served as gifts for the speakers at this year’s SCALL Institute to show our appreciation for their efforts and for supporting our program. Since my budget for the year was $300, I was well under that with a total cost of $261.94 for 25 pens.

As I did not give away all the pens (still have 7), it is my hope that this committee can continue to purchase quality items over the years to use as give-aways to speakers, members, and other persons who provide support to SCALL and its activities.

Bret N. Christensen
Research & Instructional Services Librarian
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COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH VENDORS:

Chair: Larry Meyer
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Budget: $0

Committee Report:
The 2015 – 2016 SCALL year, similar to the past few years, remained a fairly quiet year for the local CRIV. During the year, the Committee continued to monitor various listservs, primarily the SCALL listserv for vendor related issues. Of those concerns expressed by SCALL members pricing, access, contact information and contract language were the most frequent issues. When appropriate, the Committee responded to individual members with suggestions, recommendations, contact information and/or other information.

Respectfully submitted by,

Larry Meyer (San Bernardino County Law Library), 2015 – 2016 Chair
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