



Meeting Summary

Wednesday, January 13, 2016

Present: Andrea Schorr, Michael Hughes, Nancy Kaida, Marcella Leshner

Interest Groups

Michael Hughes provided a draft of a financial needs request form for CORAL Interest Groups. After discussion the group recommended that the form be rewritten to make clear that the requester would be asking for reimbursement of expenses incurred during meetings. Interest Groups would be limited to \$100 in expenses and based on current budgeting considerations there would be a limited amount of funding for Interest Groups.

Michael also brought forward to the group for consideration a CORAL sponsored program for individuals to receive funding for continuing education. It was suggested that a pilot program be established which would provide for a competitive process to provide financial support for up to \$400 for one applicant.

Both initiatives still have details to be worked out and CORAL directors will be asked to vote on these financial commitments. Michael Hughes will work on developing the language for both projects.

Interest Groups chairs should be members of CORAL institutions, but the Groups would be open to other institutions as well. The Board discussed targeting new and former members to gauge their interest in CORAL membership. Bibliotech and SAPL were specifically mentioned. Texas State was also mentioned as a possibility despite their size.

Spring Meeting

Logistics and timing were discussed. The Board decided on April 1 from 10:00-2:00. Michael will check with Kristen Johnson to confirm that the date will work for the Northwest Vista librarians who will be leading the workshop. Marcella will check with OLLU to see if the program can be scheduled there. (Note: Location has been confirmed.) An opening activity/ ice breaker modeled on the online game Battle Dex will be planned as part of the program. The Board will make sure that non-CORAL libraries are invited to the program.

Spring Elections

The logistics of spring elections were also discussed. Jill Zimmerman and Martha Rinn were suggested as possible members of a nominating committee. The Board also had questions about how the slate would be put together. Michael and Andrea indicated that they would be willing to be nominated for reelection. Nancy and Marcella indicated that they would not seek reelection. Andrea may contact Martha Rinn to get her thoughts on properly conducting the election and who is actually eligible to vote.

Bylaws

The Bylaws no longer fit the changed structure of the organization and must be revised. Marcella will take a first look and then send her questions and recommendations to Michael. He will review and consult with Bea Carraway of Trinity University before a final draft is constructed for consideration by the CORAL institutions.