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# Chicago Association of Law Libraries

## 2022-2023 Executive Board

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## 2022-2023 Committees and Chairs

Archives  
Brittany Nichole Adams  
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Emily Byrne  
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Bylaws  
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Community Service  
Lisa Winkler

Continuing Education  
Joe Mitzenmacher  
Todd Hillmer

Corporate Memory  
Therese Arado

Diversity and Inclusion  
Ariel Scotese

Membership  
Clare Willis

Grants and Chapter Awards  
Lindsey Carpino

Meetings  
Jill Meyer  
Philip Johnson

Placement and Recruitment  
Julie Pabarja

Mentorship and  
Leadership Development  
Stacia Stein

Nominations and Elections  
Jessie LeMar

Government Relations  
Sarah Reis

Public Relations  
Sarah Walangitan

Strategic Planning  
Jean Wenger



## FROM THE EDITORS

EMILY BARNEY, MATTHEW TIMKO, LINDSEY CARPINO

It seems fitting that the Winter issue of the *CALL Bulletin* is coming out now. Punxsutawney Phil did predict six more weeks of winter. Winter might be finally upon us in Chicago. This issue is complete high lighting the amazing work CALL continues to do. From community service, DEI initiatives, welcoming new members and continuing our leadership with executive board elections.

We would like to introduce our new Diversity and Inclusion Committee as part of the new strategic goal to “Implement policies that ensure diversity, equity, and inclusion awareness, support, and initiatives.” This committee is headed up by Ariel Scotese, Julia Pabarja, Juanita Harrell, Jonathan Hawkins and Lucy Kelly. This issue features a new member pro le on Rachel Ford. Please enjoy getting to know more about Rachel, the Resources Management Librarian at Northern Illinois University Law Library.

The Community Service Committee recaps our volunteer day at the Greater Chicago Food Depository held on January 21, 2023. Thank you to members for their help volunteering: Jill Meyer, Leah Whitesel, Carrie Port, Shabnam Mahammadli, Khrystyna Slyusarchuk, Beth Schubert, Mandy Lee and Mike McMillan.

The CALL Nominations and Elections Committee shares more on the slate of candidates for the election of the Board of Directors for the 2023-2024 CALL year:

**Vice President/President-Elect:**

Sarah Andeen  
Philip Johnson

**Director:**

Brandy Ellis  
Lucy Robbins

**Secretary:**

Janice Collins  
Clare Willis

Voting opens on **Monday, February 20, 2023** and the last day to submit your ballot is **Tuesday, March 14, 2023**, by 11:59 p.m. (PST).

Thank you for reading along with us.

From the Editors,

Emily Barney, Lindsey Carpino and Matt Timko



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

COTT VANDERLIN

The CALL Bylaws clearly state:

2(b) For the Winter edition of the CALL Bulletin, the President's letter must begin with a quip

about: 1. staying warm  
2. shoveling  
3. slush season  
4. hibernating  
5. "dibs"

### Editor's and Revisers' Notes

Amended to remove "[Bears Super Bowl Champions]" (February 5, 2007)

As you can see, our unChicagoly mild winter has really put me in a bind here. So, I guess...dibs on telling you about what's been going on with CALL lately?

Our Continuing Education Committee continues to provide us with engaging content, most recently in the form of our January event titled “Demystifying the American Bar Association Policy Process: How Can ABA Policy Help You?” The event featured Skip Harsch, Director of the ABA’s Commission on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity, who discussed recent ABA resolutions and policies related to, among other things, diversity and inclusion.

CALL hosted another Continuing Education event in December where members were informed about the Teaching Equitable Asian American Community History (TEAACH Act in Illinois. Illinois State Representative Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz spoke to CALL members about the process of getting the bill passed, and what the implementation of the Act will mean for the future of education in Illinois.

In Community Service news, CALL members once again gathered for a day of service at the Greater Chicago Food Depository on Saturday, January 21. And while this President was not able to attend the event this year, I have no doubt that not a single piece of unripe or bruised produce escaped the watchful eyes of our members.

We have a number of exciting events on the horizon for CALL members to look forward to. On March 11 at 1:30pm, CALL members (and their children age 5 and older will have the opportunity to help pack up items for Cradles to Crayons. They provide children from birth through age 12, living in homeless or low-income situations, with the essential items they need to thrive – at home, at school and at play.

CALL will also be hosting a “Happy Hour” event at Beatrix (155 N. Wacker Dr. on Tuesday, March 21. As we all know, opportunities to get together with our colleagues have been few and far between these past few years, so if you are lucky enough to be working on-site downtown, consider coming out for some laughs with old friends.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at our upcoming (virtual Business meeting on Thursday, February 23. We are thrilled to be joined by the Hon. Edmond E. Chang, United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois. Judge Chang is the first Asian-Pacific American Article III federal judge in Illinois. As always, we hope you all can make it.

Finally, a reminder that The CALL Nominations and Elections Committee recently announced the slate of candidates for the election of the Board of Directors for the 2023-2024 CALL year. This year, we will be voting for incoming Vice President/President-Elect, Director, and Secretary. Thank you to our wonderful slate of candidates for volunteering to serve. I urge all members to review the candidate’s statements that are available on the CALL website and cast your ballots.

2023 is off to a great start, and I look forward to all that's to come in the year ahead. Thanks for all you do, CALL members!

Note: This letter was generated using ChatGPT. Just kidding (or am I?).

# CALL CANDIDATES 2023-2024

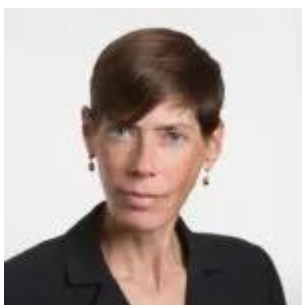


## 2023-2024 EXECUTIVE BOARD CANDIDATES

LINDSEY CARPINO

The CALL Nominations and Elections Committee is pleased to announce the slate of candidates for the election of the Board of Directors for the 2023-2024 CALL year:

### Candidates for Vice President / President-Elect:



**Sarah Reneker Andeen**  
*Chief Knowledge and Research Services Officer*  
 Chapman and Cutler



**Philip Johnson**  
*Instructional & Student Services Librarian*  
 UIC School of Law



## Candidates for Secretary:



**Janice Collins**  
*Research Specialist*  
Dentons US, LLP



**Clare Willis**  
*Research and Instructional Services Librarian*  
Pritzker Legal Research Center,  
Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

## Candidates for Director:



**Brandy Ellis**  
*Research Librarian and Head of Access Services*  
Kresge Law Library, University of Notre Dame



**Lucy Robbins**  
*Assistant Director for Access and Technical Services*  
Loyola University Chicago, School of Law Library

Thank you to committee members Heidi Kuehl, Konya Moss, Jessie LeMar, and Eugene Giudice for their assistance in putting together the slate, and thank you to all of the members who submitted nominees.

The candidates' bios and statements will be made available on the [Elections](#) page of the CALL Website. The election will be held from February 20th to March 15.



## NEW MEMBER PROFILE – RACHEL FORD

RACHEL FORD

**Biographical Info:** Resources Management Librarian at Northern Illinois University Law Library

I am responsible for the library's electronic resources and interlibrary loan, as well as maintaining the websites for the library and the College of Law. I also work on acquisitions, statistics, ILS administration, and the institutional repository, and provide basic reference and circulation services as needed.

**Where did you grow up, and where else have you lived before coming to Chicago? Do you have a favorite among those places?**

I've lived in Illinois all my life, mostly in Aurora, though recently, I moved to DeKalb County to be closer to NIU. This is the farthest I've ever been from Chicago, but I've always enjoyed the suburbs (and now exurbs). The weather may not be perfect, but it's always worth talking about, and I appreciate the proximity to everything, including state parks and forest preserves.

**What led you to become a law librarian?**

## What led you to become a law librarian?

During my undergrad years, I worked in a library archive, and so once I discovered becoming an English professor was unlikely, librarianship seemed the perfect alternative. After starting in public libraries, gravitated towards academic libraries, where I could help students and learn new things. Law libraries weren't on my radar until I saw the posting for this position, which matched my technical skills while offering a new challenge. Legal information is a whole new world to explore for me, and it is satisfying to work alongside librarians and other faculty and staff who are making a positive difference in students' lives and in society.

## What are some of your favorite hobbies?

I'm an avid and omnivorous reader of both fiction and non-fiction. So far this month, I've sampled a textbook on Old English, a queer YA space opera, a Shakespeare-themed murder mystery, a Victorian classic, and a title from the OUP *Studies in Postwar American Political Development* series. Thanks to audiobooks, I can even "read" while pursuing some of my other hobbies, like kitchen experimentation and nature hikes. I'm also an amateur pianist and love spending time with my nieces and nephews, particularly exploring the outdoors.

## What is one more thing we should know about you that we haven't asked?

I'm always happy to talk about my pets! Like a stereotypical librarian, I love cats and currently live with three of them: Zuki (a gray Ragdoll mix), Ralph (a brown tabby), and Tara (a tuxie). The latter two were orphans I bottle-fed, and they're all affectionate and talkative, especially 30 minutes before my alarm goes off. I also recently adopted a very mixed breed dog named Sam, who's 50+ pounds of hairy, loveable enthusiasm. His latest "trick" is stealing mangoes off the kitchen counter and, happily, not choking on the pits.



Rachel's Dog Sam



Rachel's Cats Ralph and Tara



# INAUGURAL CALL COMMITTEE SUMMIT

EMILY BARNEY

While the CALL executive board has regularly held leadership training meetings to connect with the newest committee chairs, this year the format was designed to encourage cross-committee collaborations.

This article provides a summary of the first steps, as well as some context to help CALL and the committees move forward with more of the collaborations proposed at the meeting.

## A New Approach to Leadership Training

In **August 2022** at the CALL Executive Board meeting, Jamie Sommers proposed a new approach to the usual leadership training: having all committee chairs to meet together and share plans for the year. Her goal was to promote collaboration through a roundtable event, offering a forum for leaders to share best practices and help all committees be more productive.

After discussion at the **September meeting**, the board decided the meeting should be virtual and at the **October meeting** the board decided call this new event the “CALL Committee Chair Summit” and to send a survey to the committee leaders in advance to ask for current goals and ways they were hoping to partner with other committees.

In November, CALL President Scott Vanderlin reached out to leaders with an invitation, noting the goals for this new approach:

*After some reflection, the Executive Board felt that it was unfortunate that the Board itself was the only part of CALL actually getting the benefit of those discussions, and that it might help foster new ideas and collaboration across committees if we had those conversations as a wider group made up of all Committee Chairs.*

*Further strengthening that concept is the fact that so many current committee chairs have served as chairs or committee members of other committees in the past, and have years of ideas and institutional memory that might be shared in a wider group.*

## Meeting Participants

At the meeting on December 5, 2022, the members of the **CALL Board of Directors** included:

- Scott Vanderlin (President)
- Mandy Lee (Vice President/President Elect)
- Todd Hillmer (Treasurer)
- Sarah Andeen (Secretary)
- Carrie Port (Director)
- Jill Meyer (Director)
- Jamie Sommer (Past President)

Twelve **CALL Committees** had leaders present:

- **Archives:** Thomas Keefe
- **Bulletin:** Matt Timko, Emily Barney, Lindsey Carpino
- **Bylaws:** Heidi Kuehl
- **Community Service:** Lisa Winkler
- **Continuing Education:** Joe Mitzenmacher & Shari Berkowitz Duff
- **Corporate Memory:** Therese Arado
- **Diversity & Inclusion:** Ariel Scotese & Julie Pabarja

- **Grants & Chapter Awards:** Jamie Sommer
- **Meetings:** Clare Willis & Mike McMillan
- **MLDC:** Brandy Ellis
- **Placement & Recruitment:** Diana Koppang
- **Public Relations:** Jesse Bowman

Chairs from these committees were unable to participate in the event, though other members were present: **Government Relations**, **Grants & Chapter Awards**, **Membership**, and **Nominations & Elections**.

## Committee Updates

Each committee leader shared some of their current concerns and offered ideas for collaboration across committees, with various leaders chiming in with suggestions or providing other context.

Larger themes included needing to recruit more members and more ways to use the Bulletin newsletter to promote committee participation and projects, which we hope to begin implementing this year!

## Archives

Tom Keefe noted they are trying to locate some electronic archives for CALL, which may be on a physical hard drive they haven't located yet in the **print archives moved from NIU to Loyola**. Matt Timko noted they may have another box or two recently located at NIU.

Clare Willis mentioned there may also be a hard drive passed down through the CALL Secretaries, and I added some event photos I took may be backed up on separate hard drives at Chicago-Kent.

## Bulletin

Recruiting content for the Bulletin is an ongoing challenge, as is managing turnover and leadership. Working with committees to highlight recent events or changes is always helpful. Committee leaders noted they'd appreciate seeing examples of the types of content mentioned, so here are a few links to get us started!)

**Event Recaps:** Shorter examples include illustrated **Volunteer Day** photos from the Community Service, while longer versions like **Grantee Reports** are always valuable. Any event hosted by a committee, especially when someone from the committee is already taking notes and/or photos, would be useful content



Events co-sponsored by multiple groups are great opportunities to offer a detailed recap like this one written by Mandy Lee about an event co-sponsored by **MLDC**, **Continuing Education**, and **Government Relations**:

- **Recap: Creating a History Program For Your Organization**

**Member Profiles**: Interviews with **new members** or **retiring members** are always a natural fit for collaboration between the Bulletin and Meetings Committee, while profiles on recent **CALL Award** honorees are always welcome and a helpful way to share the career context shared as the awards are presented. Other CALL member profile suggestions are always welcome!

## Bylaws

For now, the only issue Heidi Kuehl reported is an issue with the link to the bylaws on the CALL website from the **CALL Policies & Procedures** page. The Bylaws committee is always available to other committees if procedural issues come up.

## Community Service

Lisa Winkler reported on their planning schedule to identify organizations to support and plan dates. They need for more participation on volunteer day of service events and would welcome more promotion from call committee chairs and participation from within the committees.

The Community Service leaders like to match an organization to a sponsor to the themes presented by a speakers at business meetings, so getting information about invited speakers early on from the Meetings committee is always helpful for planning and promoting those connections through email, website updates, and bulletin recaps.

## Continuing Education

Joe noted they're always open to suggestions from members – two events in 2022 were suggestions from Mandy Lee, for example! It's becoming easier to bring in remote speakers and reschedule (when necessary) than it was in the past for in-person events.

There was some broader discussion of potential collaborations with Diversity & Inclusion and Mentoring & Leadership Development to provide opportunities for CALL members to practice their presentation skills.

Past events included tips on **AMPC Presentation Proposals** for the AALL conference or a **mini AALL conference** for CALL members to share their accepted presentations so they could get feedback and CALL members could see other presentations at the conference.

Members agreed these types of events are helpful, but providing opportunities for shorter local presentations, in a roundtable format on a specific topic or “Lightning Talks” might be useful for CALL members who are just building their presentation skills and thinking of where to apply to speak beyond AALL.

Others asked about promoting events at law schools or local organizations (not hosted by CALL) through the Continuing Education committee in roundup posts or thinking about longer “half day” workshops on topics like legal analytics.

## Corporate Memory

Therese Arado noted it’s helpful to document policy changes within committees and share them with their committee.

## Diversity & Inclusion

As a new committee, they’re still working on how to fit into CALL and meet their charge, but they’re looking for opportunities to partner with many other committees, including Continuing Ed (like the ABA event), MLDC, Placement & Recruitment, Bulletin, and more.

More details about their initial meeting were published in the [September 2022 Business Meeting](#) notes in our Fall 2022 issue, but they also noted they’re hoping to figure out how to put content into the CALL website too.

## Grants & Chapter Awards

There are no current applications in fall, that tends to happen in the spring

## Meetings

Next meeting will be virtual in February, then live in May. They’re still thinking about [media clubs](#), [happy hours](#), and other events that are fun but take time to execute.

There was some discussion about the logistics of how to pick days for in-person meetings based on the days that more people are working in person downtown.

## Mentorship & Leadership

MLDC is considering hosting an intro event in-person similar to the [New Member Virtual Event](#) hosted in 2022. They would like to partner with Diversity & Inclusion and the Placement committees



for their next meetings and work with the Bulletin on an article about picking a committee & how to get involved. They're also interested in working Continuing Education committee more this year.

## Placement & Recruitment

Diana Koppang noted they're excited for opportunities to work with Diversity & Inclusion.

One regular project is building a contact list of library science programs to reach out to the students about law librarianship (including undergrad programs, not just grad programs). It is a challenge to update that list every year as contacts in it have a lot of turnover.

## Public Relations

Jesse Bowman noted they're looking for opportunities to highlight CALL membership achievements on social media as well as CALL events.

The Public Relations committee is looking into more platforms online for CALL members, focusing on Discord after it was raised in the [September](#) and [October](#) board meetings.

I noted there is an existing [CALL LinkedIn group](#) that can be used for some of these goals. It currently has 89 members with Jesse Bowman, Lyo Lousi-Jacques, and Sarah Walangitan serving as owners. Perhaps there's a collaboration opportunity with Membership to suggest participation there as new members join?

## Next Steps

After hearing all the challenges and goals, I asked if it would be helpful to think about how to collect / share upcoming events and recent achievements with multiple committees, especially if there's anything that could go to both Public Relations for social media and Continuing Education or Membership.

For the Bulletin, I've added links in this article to provide examples of past content and we'll think about more ways to highlight Committee content and recruit new articles, knowing it may help to offer follow-up reminders with details about article content and issue deadlines.

We're also interested in suggestions about collaborative articles or looking at the [RIPS "Questions with Puron"](#) interview series as a helpful example of quick member profiles.



## VOLUNTEERING AT GREATER CHICAGO FOOD DEPOSITORY 2023

LISA M. WINKLER

Eight CALL volunteers, including two Kent Law School students, kicked off community service events in 2023 by volunteering at the **Greater Chicago Food Depository** (GCFD) on January 21, 2023. The GCFD supplies food to local food pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters.



*From left to right: Jill Meyer, Leah Whitesel, Carrie Port, Shabnam Mahammadli, Khrystyna Slyusarchuk, Beth Schubert, Mandy Lee, Mike McMillan*

As many as one in five Chicago families faces food insecurity. CALL volunteers repacked a bulk donation of apples in order to more easily distribute food to community members facing hunger

On January 21 the total amount of repackaged food included:

- 6,515 pounds of apples
- 9,690 pounds of oranges
- 5,712 pounds of rice

This added up to 8,264 meals, or 254 meals per volunteer!

Thank you to all of the CALL members who donated their time!

# Diversity & Inclusion Committee

## *Founding Members*



## INTRODUCING THE DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE

JONATHAN HAWKINS, LUCY KELLY, JUANITA HARRELL, JULIE M. PABARJA, ARIEL ALICE SCOTESE

### ***Who are we?***

The Diversity and Inclusion Committee is a new CALL committee created as part of the new strategic goal to “Implement policies that ensure diversity, equity, and inclusion awareness, support, and initiatives.”

As a part of this new goal, we are charged with the following:

1. To identify issues related to maximizing the diversity of CALL membership
2. To recognize and celebrate the richness of an active, diverse membership
3. To advise the Board on mechanisms and programs that encourage a diverse and complex membership
4. To encourage active participation by the whole membership, including identifying barriers and how to remove them

## ***What do we do?***

As a new committee, and particularly a committee that is considering a topic as complex as diversity and inclusion, our goal for this year is to determine what actions we can take to meet our charge. Given the incredible work done by the other CALL committees to support members and promote the profession, we felt that one way we could meet this charge was by developing partnerships with other CALL committees and collaborating on projects. We began meeting with the chairs of other CALL committees, and we look forward to forging strong partnerships.

We also want to create channels for you, the members, to engage with us. We cannot do this work without the input and feedback from our members, so please be on the lookout for more information from us about ways you can reach us and share feedback. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact any of us with your questions, feedback, or ideas.

## ***Meet the Members!***

Now that you've met the committee, let's meet our members! Each committee member was asked "What does DEI mean to you?" .



*Ariel Scotese*

**Ariel Scotese:** DEI means engaging in ongoing self-reflection and interrogating our internal biases and the ways in which the culture that we live in and grew up with impacted our assumptions and views. DEI work involves being uncomfortable sometimes and leaning into that discomfort in order to grow.

As we engage in that reflection individually, the work also involves thinking about how we can effect positive change in our environments. How can we leverage the privileges we have to create a welcoming and inclusive space?



**Julie Pabarja:** It is giving a full spectrum of characteristics and thoughts a space where they have a voice without discrimination.

When we welcome these differences in our environment, we are giving ourselves the opportunity to listen to each other, reflect on our decisions, be open to change, become allies to those that need us, be part of difficult conversations and gain a better chance of understanding of each other.



Julie Pabarja

**Juanita Harrell:** It means that we are open and always willing to read-

just, rethink and learn. That we are intentional with our choices and decisions. That we remain open, mindful, and welcoming to new ideas and issues. It means acknowledging that some things need to change and working together to change them.



Juanita Harrell

DEI goes beyond the idea of gaining some competitive advantage for businesses or institutions.

To me DEI is how organizations manifest the idea that **every person** has inherent value and dignity, totally unrelated to their backgrounds or identities, or their ability or perceived ability to contribute. Diversity, equity, and inclusion don't just happen, sadly – it takes

intentional action, and it is an *ongoing* and *holistic* process. My ultimate goal with DEI is to try to make the world a better place for *all* people, and to break down the systems of oppression that are standing in the way.

**Lucy Kelly:** DEI values mean daily processes of learning new things, realizing that short interactions mean limited information, increasing accessibility, honoring historical events by expanding public archives and resource guides, creating more mentoring programs, preventing further injustices and discriminatory practices, and facilitating more allyships for increased communication between people.



Jonathan Hawkins

**CALL Bulletin**

# NOVEMBER 2022 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SARAH ANDEEN

**Conference Call**

November 08, 2022 9:03 a.m.

Board Members Present: Scott Vanderlin, Sarah Andeen, Mandy Lee, Jill Meyer, Jamie Sommers, Carrie Port, and Todd Hillmer

Board Members Absent: None

Guests: None

**Significant Actions:**

I. Call meeting to order – President Scott Vanderlin called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

II. Approve agenda – The agenda was approved.

III. Approve Secretary's minutes – The October meeting minutes were approved.

**IV. Treasurer's Report**

a. Harris Balances as of September 1, 2022: \$20,864.93 in our CD and \$19,860.97 in checking.

b. Membership numbers: 205 current total members.

**V. Old Business****a. Committee Chair Summit**

i. Date – Doodle poll was sent out. Best date seems to be Monday, November 21. Only problem with that date is that Claire Willis will not be available and having her missing is an issue. May just try to

feel out Claire and if she really cannot come then will select another date.

ii. Structure – Once a date is set, Scott will send out another e-mail asking for a written summary of what they are planning for the year – especially ways to collaborate with other committees if appropriate. Point of getting everyone together is to spur collaboration. Also ask if issues have been raised in their individual meetings that would be helpful to be addressed. May try to have breakout rooms on the Zoom call. But concerns about how this will work in reality. One thought was not for pre-collaboration, but rather to be able to chat – have a topic for each room with a board member being a facilitator. Do not want to spend too much time in the smaller groups – as one of the main values of getting everyone together is the meeting of all the minds. Also want a training component. We can set up breakout rooms for training on things such as NEON and the website. Format, larger group discussion, then round robin about your committee and plans for the year, then breakout rooms for the remainder. Might find at the end of the training that there are ongoing discussions – and if so then they can set up their follow up meetings. Follow up e-mail will go out shortly.

## VI. New Business

### a. November Meeting (In Person)

i. Last minute questions/planning – The menu was discussed at Wildfire. As part of this discussion there was conversation about who should be allowed to keep/use the points from Lettuce Entertain You venues. This also morphed into a discussion of management of the website and the policy log and handbook are currently inaccessible. These are topics for a future discussion. Currently 26 people signed up for the meeting. Trellis might be willing to sponsor the meeting, but they want a list of everyone registered and their e-mail address. Managed to figure out how to turn on the opt in and opt out button. Sponsor is losing interest now. Offered to let him show a video. Generally sponsor information was available earlier and was in the announcement and the opt in was in Wild Apricot. Looking to put it into the member information. It is now in Neon. Maybe we should let members know the cost to CALL for opting out. We are required to have the opt out option. Will hit up Bloomberg again to see if they will be willing. Also need follow up on how a sponsor would submit the meeting. The bags are ready to be handed out. Carrie showed the bags. They are nice. Wondering if there was anything we could put into it – maybe something from the sponsor.

### b. May Business Meeting

i. Possibility of hybrid? (Mandy) – There are significant challenges to hybrid. Sponsors are asking for more options and broader access to the community. If we are hybrid though we only need a sponsor for the in person. The technological challenges seem to outweigh the possible benefits and just find a different sponsor.



## VII. Committee Reports :

- a. Archives: Todd – Nothing to report
- b. Bulletin: Sarah – Nothing to report
- c. Bylaws Todd Nothing to report
- d. Community Service: Carrie – Had a good event. Four people showed up to clean up the beach. Got some nice photos and are going for the Food Bank for the November meeting.
- e. Continuing Education: Todd – Planning a meeting on November 30th. ABA session.
- f. Corporate Memory: Sarah – Nothing to report
- g. Diversity & Inclusion: Scott – They are moving along
- h. Government Relations Mandy– GRC is coordinating with AAL. Would the board be open to AALL reaching out to members about the legislative survey.
- i. Grants & Chapter Awards- Jamie – No Update
- j. Meetings: Jill – Nothing additional to report. Will follow up to have them aggressively promote the meeting including information about the bag.
- k. Membership: Jill Nothing to report
- l. Mentorship: Mandy – Virtual breakfast meeting in December, Diana is going to write an article for the bulletin. Looking for a date/topic for an in person meeting. Considering changing their name.
- m. Nominations & Elections: Scott Nothing to report
- n. Placement/Recruitment Carrie – DEI committee wants to collaborate on a day in the life program. We say go for it and they can discuss it at the summit. Are we ok to promote meetings to the library students to come for no costs. Ability to do this exists in Neon. Yes, can promote this offering.
- o. Public Relations: Jamie – Jessie will set up Discord and needs the login for Gmail.

VIII. Announcements – Mandy and Scott helped verify AALL election results and one of the winners was Diana Kopang.

IX. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

# DECEMBER 2022 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SARAH ANDEEN

Conference Call

December 13, 2022 9:06 a.m.

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Board Members Absent: Jamie Sommers

Guests: None

Significant Actions:

I. Call meeting to order – President Scott Vanderlin called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

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III. Approve Secretary's minutes – The November meeting minutes were approved.

IV. Treasurer's Report

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b. Membership numbers: 210 current total members.

V. Old Business

a. Website Issues: Scott reached out to Emily Barney who is the main contact for the website. During an update some of the links got broken. Emily will work on fixing this. Does not look like any substantive damage was done. Just needs to be re-linked.

b. Discord Server: Jessie Bowman set up the server, but need to put two factor authentication and

send out invitation links to the board to get things started and evaluate. Then we need to develop a method for rolling it out and having the board seed some of the channels with some discussion topics. One idea was a continuing ed program on how to use Discord and its value.

c. Business Meeting – Meeting was successful. Speaker was excellent. People seemed engaged. Kudos to all involved in coordinating.

## VI. New Business

### a. Recap/Debrief of the CALL Committee Summit

i. In General: Overall the program went well. People seemed engaged. Most committees had someone there. Video of the event is on Google Drives. Will consider posting for broader access.

1. Maybe hold this bi-annually.

### ii. Archives

1. Flash drive/external hard drive? Tom Keefe thinks there is one. We need to find it and is a physical device the best? Should we move this to the cloud. Less to lose. Maybe make this a charge for Archives. Should we be looking for materials from the past 5 years. Is this a hard drive or a flash drive or both? We will start searching for both/either. Should probably start moving more to the Cloud. Next steps would be a larger discussion on how to get committees to inventory what they have and figure out an online repository. Be it Google or something else. Todd will talk to Tom Keefe and discuss next steps.

2. Is this something that makes sense moving forward?

### iii. Bulletin

1. Need for a 3-year, rolling rotation for Bulletin co-editors (and more members in general)

2. Idea for each Committee to put one article in the Bulletin each year. Any ways to generate more content. Maybe do a section on life events. People getting married, or babies, or general personal events if people would be willing. Could be something to help generate readers and could be the job of someone on the committee to compile this kind of information.

3. Idea: editors are largely responsible for actually putting together each issue, and committee members can be in charge of soliciting/following up on articles from other committees

### iv. Community Service

1. Ideas for encouraging members to attend service days and other events Actually publish these events on the website. More board members should try to attend. Mandy will talk to Emily as to how the website calendar gets populated.

### v. Continuing Ed

1. Mini-AALL as an early Summer event – Good idea.

### vi. Diversity and Inclusion

1. Section of the website dedicated to DEI – Tabled for now. Seems like a good idea. They will come to

us with a proposal of what that would look like.

vii. Meetings

1. Most popular in-person day are Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Could we re-think what day we hold them. Fine for those committees to consider. Committees have flexibility, but once a speaker is set then the date is set.

viii. PR

1. How to roll out the Discord server – Maybe do a YouTube video on it and also have a follow up to the February meeting where people hang out and see how to use Discord. Also having the Continuing Ed meeting on how/why to use Discord.

VII. Committee Reports :

a. Archives: Todd – Nothing to report

b. Bulletin: Sarah – Nothing to report

c. Bylaws Todd Nothing to report

d. Community Service: Carrie – Picked a new Charity for Feb. Open Books. Want to do a March volunteer day called Cradles to Crayons. Any good or bad dates from the board members please send.

e. Continuing Education: Todd –.There is a session tomorrow.

f. Corporate Memory: Sarah – Nothing to report

g. Diversity & Inclusion: Scott – Nothing to report

h. Government Relations Mandy–.Nothing to report

i. Grants & Chapter Awards- Jamie – Nothing to report

j. Meetings: Jill – Where are the minutes going – to Bulletin.

k. Membership: Jill -Nothing to report

l. Mentorship: Mandy – Nothing to report

m. Nominations & Elections: Scott – Nothing to report

n. Placement/Recruitment Carrie – Nothing to report

o. Public Relations: Jamie –Nothing to report

VIII. Announcements –No announcements.

IX. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

# JANUARY 2023 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SARAH ANDEEN

**Conference Call January 10, 2023 9:00 a.m.**

**Board Members Present:**, Sarah Andeen, Mandy Lee, Jill Meyer, Carrie Port, Jamie Sommers, and Todd Hillmer

**Board Members Absent:** Scott Vanderlin

**Guests:** None

**Significant Actions:**

**I. Call meeting to order** – Vice-President Mandy Lee called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**II. Approve agenda** – The agenda was approved.

**III. Approve Secretary's minutes** – The January meeting minutes were approved.

**IV. Treasurer's Report**

- a. Harris Balances as of January 1, 2023: \$20,864.93 in our CD and \$20,517.69 in checking.
- b. Membership numbers: 216 current total members.

**V. Old Business**

- a. CALL Committee Summit Follow-up
  - i. Archives
    - 1. DropBox account – Mandy set it up. Password to the board.
  - ii. Bulletin
    - 1. Mandy created a schedule of committees and the month they should contribute.

### iii. Community Service

1. Previous Event – Food Drive January 21, 2023. Successful. 6 CALL members & 2 guests. Mandy will write Bulletin article.

2. Next event is on March 11, 2023. Cradles to Crayons.

### iv. Continuing Ed

1. Mini-AALL – CE Committee – Wednesday in June set?

### v. Diversity and Inclusion

1. DEI proposal on layout of DEI section of website ready?

2. DEI plan to work with other CALL committees on how to improve DEI?

### vi. PR

1. PR Discord server roll-out announcement ready for Mandy/Scott to send out?

### vii. March in-person happy hour

1. Date: Tuesday March 21, 2023

2. Location: Beatrix 155 N Wacker – Carrie checked on availability. Space for 20 people max.

3. Sponsor: Trellis. Wants to know how much they need to contribute? and if they can send handouts?

4. Reservation Deadline:

5. Cost Per Call Member: \$10

6. Announcements & Registration

## VI. New Business

i. CALL website – Handbook & bylaws – files not found

ii. MLDC informal meet and greet at the Revival Food Hall at the end of this month (2/28 @8am) and a more structured zoom event at the end of next month (3/27 @9am). All Board members welcome at both.

1. funding for 2/28 in person event? \$50 or less for coffee, for Diana Koppang (who will be “hosting” the in-person event) to pick up a coffee traveler and perhaps some pastries for the February event?

iii. Visit from AALL Exec Board member?

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**VIII. Announcements –No announcements.**

**IX. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.**