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## FROM THE EDITORS

**Philip Johnson, Juanita Harrell, and Emily Barney**

The end of the summer is drawing close (or has already passed, if Labor Day is your end; I'll cling to the idea of summer as long as I can - PJ), and the *CALL Bulletin* is here to escort it out. This issue features recaps of [AALL in Austin](#) and the [ALA Annual Conference](#), which was here in Chicago this year.

We also feature our annual committee reports and information about [nominations for the next year's CALL Board of Directors](#). And I hope you're ready for the MAALL, LLAW, MichALL, MALL, and CALL [Joint Annual Meeting](#) that will convene in Milwaukee this October. And don't hesitate to [follow CALL on social media](#) to keep up to date!

Happy reading,  
Your Editors



## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

**Clare Willis**

Hello CALL members!

It's time to go back to school! Law firms are losing those summer associates and gaining the associates who just took the bar. Court libraries will see new clerks and miss the old summer externs. Law schools are gearing up for another semester with new students, new faculty, and the same old questions about how to use the printers.

No matter where we work, the new school year brings CALL members exciting learning opportunities. We may or may not be taking courses, but CALL continuing education offers us opportunities to keep learning. Now that those recordings are available from the AALL conference in Austin, we have more opportunities to learn from the many CALL members who presented this summer. Our September business meeting is this week. This offers all of us the opportunity to learn from our speaker and the meeting sponsors.

A new school year used to mean finding a new seat in the cafeteria. Luckily, all CALL members share the same lunch hour! We get to keep in touch and network at the business meeting and the meet ups that Mentorship and Leadership Development will plan this year.

If you were the kind of kid who was excited for gym class (how did you wind up as a librarian again?), then you can look forward to Race Judicata. CALL is fielding a team of runners again this year. This gives CALL an excellent opportunity to raise our profile in the Chicago legal community and possibly win a t-shirt design contest.

Of course, school these days means group work and CALL offers us so many opportunities to work together and make strong connections. I'm excited to work with our committees this year. If you're not on a committee, let me know. If you planned your prom, we want you on Meetings! If you started a petition to compost the garbage in the cafeteria, Government Relations wants you! If you wrote for the paper or took pictures for yearbook, you belong on the *Bulletin*! If anyone needs an oboe in the CALL orchestra, call me. No matter what back-to-school used to mean to you, it now means a chance to make meaningful connections and enhance your career.

I am excited to start my term as CALL President. I thank you all for the opportunity to serve you and our libraries.

-Clare

# CALL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 2017

*Complete, up-to-date CALL Board meeting minutes are available on the [CALL website](#).*

**AALL Headquarters, 105 W. Adams St., Suite 3300**

- June 13, 2017 9:00 a.m.

## **Board Members Present**

- Clare Willis
- Joe Mitzenmacher
- Todd Ito
- Tom Gaylord
- Lindsey Carpino
- Scott Vanderlin
- Annie Mentkowski

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Guests:** None

## **Summary**

Treasurers' Report (Section IV):

- a. Harris Bank Balance as of May 1, 2017: \$26,368.07
- b. Net Income as of May 1, 2017: -\$2538.60
- c. Membership Numbers as of June 12, 2017: 295 (76 Renewals; 9 New Members)

## **Significant Actions**

- None



## HEADING BACK TO AUSTIN FOR AALL

### Philip Johnson

In July I had the pleasure of returning to my hometown of Austin for the AALL Annual Meeting, which was made possible by a CALL grant. I attended educational sessions on topics that ranged from directly relevant to my current position in reference to others that were considerably less so (in a good way). Suffice to say, the programming was as spicy as the Tex-Mex, so I thought that I would highlight three sessions in this report and mention a few others that were of particular interest.

You may have heard something (or read in the latest *AALL Spectrum*) about Susan Nevelow Mart's presentation on human influence of algorithms in research platforms. It was a fascinating look at the variance of search results—definitely check out [the \*Spectrum\* article](#) if you haven't yet. The upshot wasn't that any particular platform is more or less reliable than the others, but that it's important to leverage the tools available to you—i.e. secondary sources—to increase the efficiency of your searches. For those of us that assist with research, we can use the variance in results to hammer home the idea that secondary sources are typically going to be a better way to start research when you don't already have a case on point and are starting from relative scratch.

A session on learning styles—visual, aural, reading and writing, and kinesthetic—from Eliza Fink and Emma Babler was one I almost skipped, as the importance of teaching to different learning styles is an idea I feel comfortable with. The session ended up being invaluable, however, for the number of resources the presenters covered that cater to these various learning styles. So rather than discuss the differences between these styles in the abstract, they offered multiple ways to effectively teach to the range of learning styles. In short, it was very practically useful,

and I encourage anyone who teaches to take a look at the slides from this session for resources that might be useful.

The last session I want to highlight covered the Spanish origins of Texas water law. This session featured water rights expert Charles Porte, who discussed these historical origins, and one of my former professors, Jane Cohen, who covered legal issues related to water management and climate change. I find these sorts of sessions, the ones that seem like they're on the far end of the relevance spectrum, refreshing. The opportunity to think outside of what I'm normally dealing with helps remind me to keep my horizons broad. I can't wait for someone to come to me with a question about Texas water rights.

Some of the other sessions I attended covered social media use in libraries, which I thank for making me feel better about questioning the value of maintaining a Facebook account for our library; ungraded assessment, which reminded me that even if I'm not teaching an entire course in a given semester, I can still verify whether what I teach patrons sticks with them and is useful; and Harvard's project with Ravel to digitize and make freely available case law, which was energizing for its implications for access to information and stoking my interest in APIs.

The AALL Meeting has consistently been a re-energizing experience, just as much for catching up with people and hearing what's going on at their libraries as it is for the programming. And as with every law librarian conference I've been to over the last four years, I left with the sense that we're a profession that, even when we can't control the difficulties that face the legal world, we're well situated to tackle whatever's ahead of us.



## ATTENDING ALA

### Juanita Harrell

Hello, fellow librarians. I know many of you just attended AALL this past July. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend; however, I was able to attend ALA—the American Library Association conference this past June. It was in Chicago at McCormick Place.

The best part about ALA is if you do not want to attend the entire conference, you can get an exhibit hall pass. The exhibit hall pass cost \$75.00 dollars this year, but there was also an opportunity to get a free pass through RAILS (Reaching Across Illinois Library System). The exhibit hall is both amazing and overwhelming. Those of you who have attended before can attest to this. There are authors, illustrators, vendors, presentations, and programs all happening at the same time.

I had the opportunity to meet Nikki Giovanni, and I could have gone home after that. I did not. I walked around for a few hours and met authors, and talked to vendors and, of course, other fellow librarians. ALA is geared toward public librarians, but I saw librarians who worked in every type of library from special, academic, to law. LexisNexis and Westlaw vendors were also in attendance. There were so many authors signing books, handing out ARCs (Advance Reader Copies), and just mixing with the crowd. I was told that Carla Hayden, the Librarian of Congress, was in attendance and mingling with the crowd. I did not get the opportunity to meet her, but there were many who did.

Let's talk about the energy. There is something about being in a space with thousands of librarians and book lovers. The feeling was electric and positive. I saw a group of high school kids entering the exhibit hall and one young man said: "This is the best thing ever!" Indeed it is.

Just being around so many book lovers is both refreshing and energizing. Another great thing about ALA is that if you missed attending this year, no worries; it comes to Chicago every few years. The next dates are in 2020, 2021 and 2023. For more information, you can go to <http://www.ala.org/conferencesevents/ala-upcoming-annual-conferences-midwinter-meetings>.

So the next time ALA is in the area, you should get an exhibit hall pass and go see what all the fuss is about.



## JOINT ANNUAL MEETING

Lindsey Carpino

**MAALL, LLAW, MichALL, MALL, and CALL Joint Annual Meeting  
October 19 – 21, 2017  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

MAALL, together with several local chapters (LLAW, MichALL, MALL, and CALL), is hosting its Annual Meeting at the Milwaukee Marriott Downtown on October 19-21. The Annual Meeting has great programs planned and will feature a poster session. CALL members Therese Clarke Arado and Clare Willis are on the Joint Education Committee and assisting with program planning.

You can read through the list of programs and speakers [here](#).

Our very own CALL members who will be presenting are featured below:

- **Brewing Up Something New: Adding Data Analytics and Artificial Intelligence Tools into Your Legal Research Curriculum**
  - Jesse Bowman, Electronic Research, Technology, and Instructional Services Librarian, Pritzker Legal Research Center, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
- **Creating 21st Century Lawyers: Teaching Law Practice Technology**
  - Heidi Frostestad Kuehl, Director and Associate Professor of Law, Northern Illinois University College of Law, David C. Shapiro Memorial Law Library

- **Effective Collaboration among Law School Departments – Better Together**
  - Heidi Frostestad Kuehl, Director and Associate Professor of Law, Northern Illinois University College of Law, David C. Shapiro Memorial Law Library
  - Therese Clarke Arado, Deputy Director and Professor, Northern Illinois University College of Law, David C. Shapiro Memorial Law Library
  
- **Staying Current – Together**
  - Clanitra Stewart Nejdil, Reference & Instructional Services Librarian and Assistant Professor, David C. Shapiro Memorial Law Library, Northern Illinois University College of Law
  - Annie Mentkowski, Agency Librarian, United States Railroad Retirement Board Library
  - Lindsey Ann Carpino, Digital Resource Analyst, Sidley Austin LLP
  
- **Legal Clinics, Libraries, and Law Schools – Collaborations that Work**
  - Lisa M. Winkler, Clinical Services Librarian, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Pritzker Legal Research Center
  - Diana Koppang, Library Manager, Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg LLP
  
- **60 Tips in 60 Minutes – Better Together Edition**
  - Debbie Ginsberg, Educational Technology Librarian, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law Library
  - Emily Barney, Technology Training & Marketing Librarian, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law Library
  - Scott Vanderlin, Associate Director for Research & Instructional Services, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law Library
  
- **Modular Teaching for Today’s Law Students**
  - Debbie Ginsberg, Educational Technology Librarian, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law Library
  - Emily Barney, Technology Training & Marketing Librarian, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law Library
  - Scott Vanderlin, Associate Director for Research & Instructional Services, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law Library

Meeting registration is open. In the meantime, stay tuned through [MAALL on Twitter](#) and Conference hashtag: #MAALL17

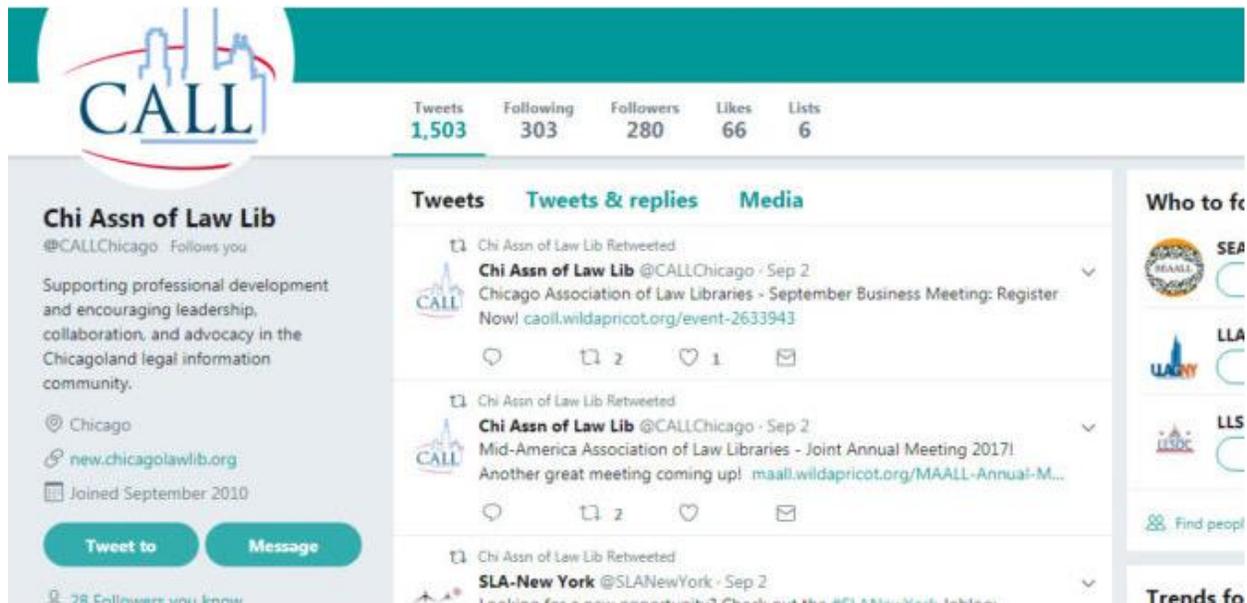
# NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2018-19 CALL EXECUTIVE BOARD

**Julie M. Pabarja**

The CALL Nominations and Elections Committee is seeking nominations for the following Executive Board positions for 2018-2019:

- Vice-President/President-Elect (three year term)
- Treasurer (two year term)
- Director (two year term)

The **CALL Handbook** provides a description of each Executive Board position. Successful candidates will take office at the end of the May 2018 CALL Business Meeting. Please send your nominations to Julie Pabarja at [Julie.pabarja@lw.com](mailto:Julie.pabarja@lw.com) by Friday, September 15, 2017.



## FOLLOWING CALL ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

### Emily Barney

CALL's Public Relations Committee is working to keep members informed about important updates from CALL:

- CALL on Twitter: [@callchicago](https://twitter.com/callchicago)
- CALL on Facebook: [@CALLChicago](https://www.facebook.com/CALLChicago)

Do you have content that should be shared on these accounts? Send links and info to [Jesse Bowman](#) on the PR committee and he'll help get it out!

We also have accounts we use to share highlight professional networks and photos from events:

- CALL [LinkedIn](#) group
- CALL [Flickr](#) albums

Even if you follow us, you may find the Facebook algorithm don't show our updates to you. The next page has a few quick tips to let you get more control back.

## Facebook Page options:

1. Like the Page
2. Click on Follow
3. Select News Feed Settings

You can turn off notifications if you don't want to see those, but turning on "See First" will help if our page doesn't update every day or pay for promoted posts.



# ARCHIVES COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

## **Clanitra Stewart NejdI & Patricia Sayre-McCoy**

At the May 2017 CALL Business meeting, CALL celebrated its 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The Archives Committee assisted the anniversary committee with information about CALL and photos for display at the May meeting. In addition to supplying this information, there were also some inquiries for archival materials and an in-person visit. This year, the Committee purchased an external hard drive to archive the CALL website and electronic communications from the board members. Plans for next year are to establish plans for archiving electronic materials, add photos that are already available digitally, and submit a plan for a photograph digitization project for the rest of the CALL photos. We will also be working with CALL members to supply metadata for as many photos as possible.

Clanitra Stewart NejdI, Co-chair

Patricia Sayre-McCoy, Co-chair

# BYLAWS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

**Gretchen Van Dam**

No revisions or amendments were proposed or adopted to the Chicago Association of Law Libraries Bylaws in 2016-2017. The Chair confirmed with the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Bylaws Committee Chair that no AALL Bylaws amendments or revisions have been proposed or adopted which would require CALL Bylaws harmonization.

Submitted,

Gretchen Van Dam, Chair

# CALL BULLETIN COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

## Philip Johnson

The 2016-17 *Bulletin* Committee consisted of co-editors Juanita Harrell, Philip Johnson, and Scott Vanderlin and committee members Emily Barney, Susan Berg, Tami Carson, Debbie Ginsberg, Annie Mentkowski, Stacia Stein, and Clanitra Stewart Nejd. Our board liaison was Lindsey Carpino. After our November Business Meeting, Susan and Tami volunteered to join the committee in order to help with editing work.

The committee published four issues this year. Our **summer issue** contained most of the CALL committee annual reports and a number of reports from various meetings and conferences. The **fall issue** largely focused on the AALL Annual Meeting that was held in Chicago last July. The **winter issue** was relatively light but featured a fascinating piece on the parallel history of law libraries and the Chicago Cubs by Professor Frank Houdek. Finally, the recently released **spring issue** commemorated CALL's 70th Anniversary.

Another major project wrapped up this year: spearheaded by Annie Mentkowski, the *CALL Bulletin* is now digitized and hosted on HeinOnline. Unfortunately, copies volumes 1-8 and 10 have yet to be found after a diligent search. (Please send those along if you happen to find copies of them!)

Since Scott has joined the Executive Board as Director, we're glad that Emily Barney is stepping into the role of co-editor this year. We look forward to working with Emily to streamline some of our processes and take better advantage of WordPress's capabilities in the coming year.

# COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

**Robert Martin, Julie Swanson**

Co-Chairs: Robert Martin and Julie Swanson

Member: Lucy Robbins

Board Liaison: Lindsey Carpino

The following items and money were collected at each meeting:

## **September 2016 Business Meeting**

- In-kind donations: Five bags of school supplies for Chicago Public Schools' Back to School Campaign
- Monetary donations: \$235.00 Rolfe Pancreatic Cancer Foundation

## **November 2016 Business Meeting**

- In-kind donations: One box of toiletries for Wounded Warriors Project
- Monetary donations: \$220.00 Wounded Warriors Project

## **February 2016 Business Meeting**

- In-kind donations: Five bags of canned goods
- Monetary donations: \$208.00

## **May 2016 Business Meeting**

- Monetary donations: \$235.00 for Chicago Volunteer Legal Services

In total, the 2016-2017 CALL Community Service Committee collected \$898 in monetary donations and many boxes of goods donated by our generous members.

In 2016, CALL entered a team in the Chicago Volunteer Legal Services Race Judicata. The race was on September 15 in the lovely Grant Park area of Chicago.

In total, CALL subsidized nine runners (including members and significant others). Participants paid CALL a \$20.00 fee to enter the race, and CALL was invoiced and contributed the remaining

amount (\$14.00) of the entry fee (which was \$34.00 per person). The total bill for the entry fee was \$306.00; CALL contributed \$126.00.

We would like to thank everyone for their contributions and continued generosity.

# CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

## Jesse Bowman

During the 2016-2017 year, the CALL Continuing Education Committee, co-chaired by Carolyn Hersch and Jesse Bowman, organized and hosted two events: “Switching Library Settings: A CALL Continuing Education and Mentorship Collaboration” and “E-Discovery Webinar.” Details of these events were as follows:

### Switching Library Settings: A CALL Continuing Education and Mentorship Collaboration

- Held at Jenner & Block on Wednesday, January 25, 2017
- Panelists described their experiences, discussed how they transitioned their skillset, and gave advice to other librarians considering making a library setting change.
- The panelists included:
  - Annie Mentkowski, Agency Librarian at United States Railroad Retirement Board
  - Valerie Carullo, Client Success Manager, Government and Courts at Bloomberg
  - JoAnn Hounshell, Technical Services Librarian at Sidley Austin
  - Katie Leonard, Senior Director of Client Engagement at LibSource

### E-Discovery Webinar

- Held virtually, using Join.Me software, on Tuesday, February 28, 2017
- This webinar offered an overview of eDiscovery and included discussion of “A Day in the Life of an eDiscovery Professional.”
- The speakers included:
  - Candi Smith, Litigation Support Project Manager, Winston & Strawn LLP
  - Derek Boor, Supervisor, Litigation Support, Dentons US LLP

The Continuing Education Committee also confirmed speakers for a CALL Institute Day, but the event did not come to fruition. If it would be of assistance to future committees, the names and contact information for our three confirmed speakers is as follows:

- Debbie Ginsberg, Educational Technology Librarian, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law Library, [dginsberg@kentlaw.iit.edu](mailto:dginsberg@kentlaw.iit.edu) (speaking on advanced Microsoft Excel skills)
- Lance Odegard, National Director of Technology, Thomson Reuters (speaking on AI and the law)
- Catherine Sanders Reach, Director, Law Practice Management & Technology, The Chicago Bar Association, [csandersreach@chicagobar.org](mailto:csandersreach@chicagobar.org) (speaking on using technology to manage information overload)

Webinar Purchase: The Continuing Education Committee purchased Join.me on February 22, 2017. The purchase is good for a year.

# CORPORATE MEMORY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

## **Betty Roeske**

The 2016-2017 Corporate Committee was comprised of Betty Roeske (Chair), Judy Gaskell, Diana Koppang, Heidi Kuehl, Christine Morong, and Susan Siebers. The Committee was inactive this year because documents were not available for us to review.

I would like to thank the Committee members for volunteering for the Committee.

# GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

**Joe Mitzenmacher**

## Membership

Joe Mitzenmacher, Committee Chair

Eugene Giudice

Sally Holterhoff

Dave Rogers

Konya Lafferty, Board Liaison

## Objectives

The main charge of the Committee is to monitor issues of interest to the law library community and report on those issues to the membership. The committee's projects for 2016-17 were to update CALL's "Finding Illinois Law Guide," to contribute to the *CALL Bulletin* by updating CALL members on state and federal legislative items of interest, to work with the Continuing Education Committee on a brown bag lunch or other educational session on government information, and to work with Congressman Quigley's office on making CRS Reports more widely available.

## Meetings

The GRC met once this year, via conference call, on September 16, 2016. All other communications were over the phone or via email.

## Accomplishments

- Presented (with members of the CALL Executive Board) Congressman Mike Quigley with the CALL Legislator of the Year Award (August 2016)
- Hosted Emily Feltren, Director of the AALL Government Relations Office, at Denton's for a talk on law librarian advocacy on April 6, and shared her presentation with CALL members via the CALL Web site
  - o Total attendance: 12 at \$5.00 per attendee
  - o Total expenses: \$92.55 for dessert tray and boxed lunches
- Wrote an article for the Winter 2017 *CALL Bulletin* to promote the Emily Feltren talk
- Promoted AALL's Virtual Lobby Day (April 26) via the CALL Web site and Listserv
- Prepared a letter to Congressman Quigley's office regarding CALL's support for his CRS Reports bill (H.R. 2335)

# GRANTS AND CHAPTER AWARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

## **Julie M. Pabarja**

The 2016-2017 Grants and Chapter Awards Committee was charged with selecting grant recipients based on established criteria for CALL members to attend professional meetings as well as selecting recipients of the chapter awards.

The Committee started the year by reviewing the CALL Grants Application for any ambiguity and modified the language in order to ensure the requirements were clear.

The committee members identified educational opportunities from other associations or local offerings that our members might be interested in. A monthly announcement on the CALL listserv promoted these educational programs and reminded the members that grant monies were available to help provide financial support to attend these programs.

The Committee met a few times during the year to consider grant applications that were submitted and award grant monies based on the criteria listed on the CALL website. CALL was fortunate to award grants to the following CALL members:

- Jamie Sommer to attend Women's Leadership Institute
- Trezlen Drake to attend ACRL
- Lisa Winkler to attend ACRL
- Shari Berkowitz to attend AALL
- Philip Johnson to attend AALL

In March 2017, the Committee started seeking nominations for the chapter awards. The committee reviewed all of the nominations and selected the following winners based on the criteria listed on the CALL website:

- The Agnes and Harvey Reid Award for Outstanding Contribution to Law Librarianship – Robert Martin
- The Award for Outstanding In-House Publication – Sean Rebstock for his “Artificial Intelligence at Foley” video

The Committee was comprised of chair Julie Pabarja and members Sheri Lewis, Lyonette Louis-Jacques, Patricia Sayre McCoy, Megan Butman, Beth Schubert, and Clanitra Stewart Nedjl.

# MEETINGS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

## Eugene Giudice

The 2016-17 Meetings Committee was Eugene Giudice (co-chair), Carolyn Hersch (co-chair), Robert Martin, Sheri Lewis, Tamara Carson, and Todd Hillmer. Clare Willis was its board liaison. The committee planned four meetings for the 2016-17 year. Dates, locations, number of attendees and profit and loss for each meeting is shown in the table below.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Profit / (Loss)</b>
September 15, 2016	Nacional 27 325 West Huron St. Chicago, IL 60654	85	\$(124.48)
November 17, 2016	Rock Bottom Brewery 1 West Grand Ave. Chicago, IL 60610	100	\$66.52
February 16, 2017	Wildfire 159 West Erie St. Chicago, IL 60654	77	(\$13.44)
May 11, 2017	Union League Club	117	(\$2,809.35)
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>(\$2,880.75)</b>

## Improvements Recommended by the Committee

1. Name badge creation continues to be a time consuming task. The committee recommends creation of a permanent name tag which would make check in process more efficient and is a more ecologically sustainable solution.
2. The committee notes a 4% drop in attendance from 2015-16 year. Meeting feedback suggests that topics and speakers need to be more relevant to the law firm environment. The committee recommends expanded speaker offerings to specifically address libraries that operate in the law firm environment.
3. Pricing and budgetary concerns are areas for concern. The committee notes that in the 2015-16 year, two of the four meetings broke even and showed a profit. This year, only one meeting broke even and showed a profit. The committee recommends raising meeting fee to \$30.00 and implementing a schedule of periodic increases to reflect changing economic realities.

4. Audio visual services continue to be a price concern. More venues are outsourcing their AV services and simply passing the cost onto guests who require them. The committee recommends that future Meetings Committee chairs work to develop a budget specifically to cover these expenses.
5. Online registration and payment or prepayment via check to the CALL post office box should be encouraged. This will greatly speed up check in at meetings.
6. Handling of large amounts of cash and checks is a concern. The committee recommends investigation by CALL board of commercial bonding for all committee members.

### **Improvements Recommended Based on Survey Results**

1. While the committee has worked to find venues centrally located, it is important for the committee to continue to determine how far people are willing to travel for a meeting. Responses to questions of traveling distance gave some insights, but more effective language for the post-meeting survey question needs to be found.
2. Post-meeting survey responses noted a marked interest in data privacy and security.
3. Post-meeting surveys consistently recommended the Berghoff as a potential meeting place. The committee chairs for 2017-18 will have a proposal from the Berghoff included in the materials transitioned to them.

# MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

## **Therese Clarke Arado**

As of May 2017, CALL had over 230 members. An exact number is not available as the renewal process for the new CALL year began and I had not pulled a report just prior.

The CALL Directory was produced once this year, in May. Corrections/updates are made by the Membership Committee. Then, the update is posted by the Internet Committee on CALL's website. Members are also able to look at directory information via Wild Apricot; however, the PDF online provides additional information. The organization index will be added shortly. I would like to thank Todd Ito and Tom Gaylord for all the work they did with Wild Apricot this past year with respect to membership.

I have served as chair or co-chair of this committee since 2010 and am stepping down as chair in the new CALL year. I am excited for the new co-chairs, Stephanie Crawford and Lucy Robbins, to take over as I am certain they will do an excellent job leading the committee. I will be staying on as a member of the committee and will share with them any information I can that will make the transition and their work go smoothly.

# NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

## **Margaret Schilt**

The 2016-2017 Nominations & Elections Committee was chair Margaret Schilt, Sally Holterhoff, Stephanie Crawford, Robert Martin, and Maribel Nash.

The 2016-2017 Nominations & Elections Committee solicited nominations and conducted the election of Vice President/President Elect, Secretary and one Director for the CALL Board of Directors for 2017-2018.

A call for nominations for Vice President/President Elect, Secretary, and Director was sent to the CALL membership on September 2, 2016. The deadline for submitting nominations was September 15. The Committee met by conference call and discussed the nominations received, and contacted those nominated to confirm their consent to run. The following slate of candidates was announced to the membership on October 20, 2016:

### Vice-President/President-Elect:

Deborah Rusin

Joseph Mitzenmacher

### Secretary:

Annie Mentkowski

Lucy Robbins

### Director:

Carolyn Hersch

Scott Vanderlin

Biography statements and pictures were added to the CALL website in November, 2016, and the slate of candidates was announced at the November 17, 2016 CALL business meeting. The CALL Board authorized the dates of the election to be February 15, 2017 to March 15, 2017. The online election was set up in December 2016, and a notice sent through the fall issue of the *CALL Bulletin* that additional write-in candidates could be nominated until January 1, 2017. No additional nominations were received.

The Membership Committee Chair, Therese Arado, sent a list of the membership eligible to vote in the election and the list was uploaded to the online election website by the deadline of 10 days before the election began.

The election began on February 15, 2017. A reminder to vote was sent to the membership on March 10, 2017. On March 16, the committee members individually reviewed the vote tallies and confirmed to the Chair the election results. The Chair then notified the candidates and President Todd Ito of the results on March 16, 2017.

The online election website was taken down, and the results destroyed, as the Bylaws require, within 10 days after the election.

I would like to thank my diligent and responsive Committee members for making participation in this year's Nominations and Elections Committee a pleasure.

# PLACEMENT AND RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

**Gretchen Van Dam, Jessica LeMar**

Co-Chairs: Gretchen Van Dam and Jessie LeMar

Committee Members: Anita Calderon, Valerie Kropf, Karl Pettitt, and Stacia Stein

The Committee held one in-person meeting and one teleconference meeting during 2016-2017.

This year, the Committee continued work on initiatives started during the previous year. One of the primary responsibilities of the Committee is the posting of new law library positions on both the CALL website and on various local library and law school job boards. To improve the postings, we worked with other committees to update the job posting submission form on the CALL website to include additional school job boards in the posting options.

In addition to the job postings, the Committee sought volunteers to compile a list of law librarians from academic, firm, and court libraries who would be willing to meet with prospective law librarians. We solicited volunteers via both email and making announcements at the CALL Business Meetings in the fall. We had two librarians interested in transitioning to law librarianship who reached out to the Committee and met with current CALL members to discuss opportunities in law librarianship.

The Committee also completed an update to the "Hiring a Law Librarian" brochure. The brochure is available to CALL members to distribute to Human Resources personnel at their libraries and schools to promote the benefits of hiring a law librarian and to alert hiring managers of the availability of the Placement and Recruitment Committee's job posting services.

# PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

## Joanne Kiley

The 2016-2017 was comprised of Joanne Kiley (chair), Deborah Ginsberg, Sean Rebstock, Emily Barney, Lyonette Louis-Jacques, Donna Tuke, Scott Vanderlin, and Sharon L. Nelson.

## Accomplishments

The Public Relations Committee maintained its presence on social media. Actions included live tweeting at each CALL Business Meeting, including capturing photos of the guest speakers, thanking sponsors, and collecting key highlights from the guest speakers' speeches. The Committee tweeted announcements about events, as well as opportunities for advocacy and continuing education. Lyo Louis-Jacques also posted announcements on CALL's Facebook page and re-tweeted the live tweeting at CALL Business meetings. The Committee announced the publication and availability of the issues of the *CALL Bulletin* on Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter.

The Committee moved the CALL website and the *CALL Bulletin* from Jumpsite to Flywheel. This endeavor was spearheaded and largely completed by Debbie Ginsberg. Joanne Kiley and Donna Tuke assisted by checking site content and function to make certain that nothing was lost in the transition from Jumpsite to Flywheel. This move was made because some members were unable to access the CALL website when it was hosted on Jumpsite and because Jumpsite did not provide enough support.

The Committee also encouraged people (unsuccessfully) to write about the work of their community and share it on the CALL website home page, which is in blog format. The intention was to add fresher content to the CALL website home page on a consistent basis. The Committee hopes this is something that can be remedied in the future.

Sean Rebstock, Joanne Kiley, and Debbie Ginsberg performed administrative work helping people with access to the listserv at various times throughout the year.

Once again, Scott Vanderlin did a great job with the CALL display at AALL in Austin. He incorporated some content from the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

## Things we wanted to accomplish and *may* be worthwhile in the future

The Committee discussed developing some best practices for using passwords to social media, the WordPress site, and other tools.

# 2017-2018 CALL MEETING SCHEDULE

## Business Meetings

### Business Meetings and Educational Events Policies

- September 14, 2017 (Thursday)
- November 16, 2017 (Thursday)
- February 15, 2018 (Thursday)
- May 10, 2018 (Thursday)

Details will be posted as they become available. *Dates subject to change.*

**CALL would like to thank all of the speakers and meeting sponsors at this year's business meetings.**

## Executive Board Meetings

For 2017-2018 the Board will meet the second Tuesday of every month. Specific dates are:

- Tues., Aug. 8, 2017
- Tues., Sept. 12, 2017
- Tues., Oct. 10, 2017
- Tues., Nov. 14, 2017
- Tues., Dec. 12, 2017
- Tues., Jan. 9, 2018
- Tues., Feb. 13, 2018
- Tues., Mar. 13, 2018
- Tues., April 10, 2018
- Tues., May 8, 2018

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