

**NJLA College and University Section
Executive Board Meeting (Online)
February 5, 2010**

President's Report (T. Dawes)

* Trevor led a discussion of the VALE conference evaluation. Kearney and Judy Avrin will send the evaluation results out to the presenters next week. For the most part the evaluations were favorable, and modifications to the format were well-received.

* Trevor presented and discussed the NJLA 2010 Minimum Starting Salary guidelines

* Trevor reported that National Library Legislative Day / Advocacy Day [<http://www.ala.org/ala/issuesadvocacy/advocacy/libraryadvocacyday/index.cfm>] will be held in Washington, D.C. on June 29 (in conjunction with the ALA Annual Meeting). Chris Carbone is coordinating the NJ events and will facilitate the appointments. Those interested in participating should register to do so.

* Trevor also reported the VALE Executive Board is addressing the recent public statements by Gale and EBSCO regarding the signing of exclusive contracts with major publishers; they may move to take some action and will advise us on whether we would like take part in that action

Report on NJLA Conference Planning (E. Dubicki)

* Eleonora distributed a list of the programs which have been approved; there are some sessions which have not yet been approved. It's a little pressing because some of the pending approval sessions are those which require additional funding for outside speakers. The conference planning committee is aware of our need for a decision on these because many attempts have been made to contact them; so our expectation is that decisions will be made shortly.

Research Committee (M. Thompson)

* VALE Meeting, 1/8/2010-- Had several committee members host the poster session. Many brochures handed out (both Committee and CUS); some interest expressed in Call; past members were pleased to see 25th anniversary display.

Second Call – the second, reminder Call went out in early January on a variety of listservs. This followed right after the VALE meeting where members saw the poster session.

Next meeting – The Committee will meet on February 19 to jury the submittals to the 2010 Research Award. The winner will be announced shortly thereafter and publicized in the newsletter.

Technology Committee (D. O'Shea)

* Denise reported that four applications have been received for the Technology Innovation Award and the committee will be meeting on February 19 to review these.

* Denise also reported that she and Mary Mallery have met to discuss revisions to the Committee's web site.

User Education (M. Hsieh)

* Hsieh reported that the User Education web site is being extensively revised using wiki software. The Committee is meeting again next week, where one of the main agenda items will be ongoing planning for a summer training camp program (which may be held at Princeton or another location). The Committee hopes to finalize its session topics and plans at a subsequent committee meeting.

User Education had had a joint meeting in December with the VALE SIL Committee.

Membership (P. Martinez)

* Paul reviewed the response to our poster session with Nicole Cooke. People who stopped by were receptive, but many were not entirely convinced that NJLA membership was worth it. He suggested that another avenue for promotion might be a short article in the CUS newsletter.

Newsletter (J. Maginn)

* Julie reported she is expecting some items for the Spring newsletter, and some articles have already been submitted. Julie has also solicited volunteers for contributions for the "Director's Desk" column. The current newsletter deadline is March 12.

Legislative Advocacy (L. Rodriguez)

* Luis shared outreach plans for Legislative Advocates.

Nominations (S. Shapiro)

* Steve reported on the following nominations for open offices next year, as follows:

Mark Thompson - Vice-President/President-Elect

Dorothy Meaney - Secretary

Sharon Yang - Member-at-Large

Yongming Wang - Member-at-Large

Other Business

* Mary Mallery inquired about putting approved NJLA sessions up on the wiki now for advance notification purposes and to generate interest.

* Kearney reported on nominations for the NJLA Executive Board; academic librarians are encouraged to consider running for open offices.

* Mallery reported the LSTA Advisory Board has an open slot for an academic librarian. It meets four

times a year; usually at the Library for the Blind and Handicapped (which gets about \$2.5 million from these funds) - next meeting is March 18, or contact Kathy Muller-Peiffer.

Submitted by R. Kearney