

Minutes LLAM Board Meeting October 23, 2017

Present were: Julia Viets (via phone), Jason Hawkins, Joe Neumann, Chi Song, Pat Behles, Jim Gernert, and CJ. Pipins

Treasurer's report: Balance sheets were displayed from the website. The treasurer's report was approved. Expenditures included the AALL insurance.

Minutes: Last 2 meeting minutes were approved and will be posted online

Archives: Joe is working on a slide show for the holiday party and a call will go out to identify people and activities in the photos.

Government/vendor Relations: Chair Joanie Bellistri asked for an increase in budget for the Maryland Legislative Day breakfast. Passed

Membership: we have 70 members. A list of new members and those that indicated that they would be willing to help was sent to Julia the morning of the meeting. A request was made to compare the listserv and the membership rolls.

Communication & Technology: Substitute for PayPal as this venue has proven to be difficult to change personnel names. New "store" proposed, ecwidonline stores.

Advantages: Same percentage as PayPal....1.9%

Can get Bijal Shah off the account

Our PayPal account was through AALL (or hosted by them) and it was difficult on their part for changes. When we shifted over to WordPress, PayPal was not compatible.

New website...with limited numbers of "items" to sell

Consensus was that it looked good and we should go ahead.

Joe Neumann asked for older newsletters so that they could be scanned and older links fixed and to include in the archives. A plea will be sent out...especially the dates from 2000-2003.

Holiday Party

December 14, **Chiapparelli's** in Little Italy at **(DID WE SET A TIME)**. Maybe 6--

We will pick from a fixed menu that we will be provided that night. Cost \$35 with a \$5 discount if paid by December 5th.

Silent Auction: will be soliciting items to be included

Vendor sponsors? Who contacted last year?

Laura Lippman reading update: need to buy 25 paperbacks from IVY books. Jason will try to find outside funds to subsidize.

LRI Planning

(Kate Martin, James Durham, Adeen Postar)

AALL grant deadline: next possibility is March

Speakers not confirmed

\$400-\$600 for venue and security (courtesy of Kate Martin and county employee status)

TBA food and ticket sales. General comment to be careful about food costs.

Grants: Chair Jim Gernert asked for clarification on the LLAM registration grant for the AALL annual meeting in 2018. Support was given for the grant to be awarded.

Website: no report

BUDGET ITEMS:

\$450 for Breakfast food for Maryland Legislative Day

\$300 for miscellaneous...PayPal fees, etc.

\$350 Holiday party (estimate)

\$1000 (estimate) LRI