

Reference Section Meeting transcript from 1/26/17

Dennis:Hi, will I need to have my speakers on, or will we be communicating through the chat box?  
Thanks!

Louisa & Cassidy:Hi Dennis. Chat only ,thanks!

Andy W:GREETINGS MORTALS

Louisa & Cassidy:Hello everyone, going to give a few more minutes to gather before we start

jenne Heise:Wow, this is excellent

Sophie Brookover:Hi, all!

Karen Vaias:Hello!

Rich Wiest:Hi!

Andy W:Is this the meeting where we are changing the name of the section to "Reference and Other Stuff, Ya Know"

Dennis Kuhn:Hi everyone

Louisa & Cassidy:We are going to start with the by-laws -- as they required 15 days of notice to make changes to

Sara Weissman:Andy, it's the Alternate Fact Section

Louisa & Cassidy:while constitutional changes required 30 days

Dennis Kuhn:)

Louisa & Cassidy:Are there any thoughts or discussion on the proposed by-laws changes -- we saw some suggestions regarding being less specific with mentioning ASF as to not tie-down future boards to fulfill the CE requirements

Nancy Berkenfeld:Hi I just joined in

Jen Schureman:I do think we need to discuss the Co-Presidents and how the second President would be selected/appointed

Louisa & Cassidy:So, yes -- Louisa and I have been talking about that with members and I we feel that there is no proper way to codify it

Louisa & Cassidy:and that it's time to just rip the band off and eliminate that

Louisa & Cassidy:Previously without an examination of by-laws anything was possible but now we see that it is no longer possible...

Jen Schureman:Also, what are the duties and responsibilities of the Members-at-Large?

Dennis Kuhn:So there will no longer be two presidents or two vice presidents(although we don't have two right now)?

Louisa & Cassidy:Members-at-Large are a general position which can do almost anything needed

Louisa & Cassidy:Correct- there will only be one VP/president elect and one President going forward

Beverly Rowan:Here is an example from an ALA committee for members at large:

Beverly Rowan:TheresponsibilityoftheMember-at-LargeistorepresentthegeneralmembershiponissuesofinterestorconcernrelativetothechargefortheCaMMSExecutiveCommittee.TheMember-at-LargeisexpectedtoattendtheCaMMSExecutivemeetingsatMidwinterandAnnual,andtoparticipateinthebusinessofCaMMSthroughouttheyear.

Louisa & Cassidy:do you think there should be descriptions for the MAL and LS rep positions?

Beverly Rowan:Sorry, no space.

Dennis Kuhn:Yes, just so that everyone knows the responsibilities.

Jill S:The Children's Services Section by-laws does have a description for the MAL so we may want one

too

Jen Schureman:This is the description from Diveristy & Outreach: Members-at-large must attend a minimum of five meetings per year, shall participate in the decisions of the Board.

Jen Schureman:YA Section also has a description for MAL

Theresa:We can leave the option of having co-presidents for the future, correct?

Jill S:For the president's duties you may want to leave in the part about submitting an end of year report. I was required to submit one last year.

Theresa:We don

Karen Vaias:I have been a MAL for 3 years now and would love some clarification on the position.

Theresa:We do not need to vp's, but some presidents may preference to split duties, as done in the past and now.

Jen Schureman:Usually the Past President and VP can help with the duties

John Daquino - MPL:Greetings sorry I am late, I can only do chat, I'm on the desk now.

Jen Schureman:Who is going to be designated to liason to the Conference Committee?

jenne Heise:I'm a little confused: are we advocating for adding the co-presidents language, or removing it, or just not putting it in.

Karen Vaias:What does conf committee liason entail? I might be able to do it.

Sophie Brookover:@Jen the VP is the Conference Committee Liaison for the other sections I'm in; I think it makes sense for this section to match the others.

Jen Schureman:I have no problem with co-presidents, I just think we need clarification on how the second president would be selected/appointed?

Louisa & Cassidy:We are adding the definitions right now

Louisa & Cassidy: Bear with us as we get them to Doug :)

Dennis Kuhn:Jen, I thought that the President(s) are the liason and will relay information to us? Is there a specific person who does that? If so, that is new information to me.

Jen Schureman:@ Sophie, the same with the sections I am in

Theresa:It makes sense to give the vp clear duties. Right now they only have the responsibility of assisting the president(s)

Jen Schureman:@ Dennis, yes, each section has one person designated to liason with the Conference Committee, in the other sections it is the VP

Louisa & Cassidy:Does anyone have qualms about the VP being conference committee liaison

Dennis Kuhn:Not if that's what is done with the other Sections, we should try and keep to what everyone else does.

Theresa:I like that

jenne Heise:\*agrees\*

Karen Vaias:No. May as well be consistant

Nancy Berkenfeld:I agree with the consistency with other sections

Rich Wiest:I also agree since it lines up with the other sections.

Louisa & Cassidy:Hopefully Doug will be able to upload the changes we just made

Louisa & Cassidy:Once you get the revision please take a look as we want to vote TODAY

Tierney Miller:Hi all, sorry I'm late - technical difficulties

Dennis Kuhn:Just on the by laws right?

Louisa & Cassidy:Hi Tierney!

Louisa & Cassidy:Yes, just the by-laws

Theresa:Just out of curiosity, since we are making changes that other may not have seen, and everyone cannot be present for this meeting, could the vote be delayed?

Theresa:This could be made available as a Google doc that people can comment on before the vote?

Louisa & Cassidy:Unfortunately we are on a deadline and gave the membership the required notice....the vote is today BY-LAWs only

Louisa & Cassidy:Theresa, it was available as a Google doc ...

Louisa & Cassidy:Hold up, Doug there is a more recent copy

Jen Schureman:Since we are changing the document that is being voted on are we required then to give the membership notice and 10 days to review changes?

Louisa & Cassidy:that includes the addition of the VP being Conference liaison

Jen Schureman:Since we are now not voting on the document that you proposed

Louisa & Cassidy:Jen - we gave notice to the membership though that this discussion and vote were going to happen at this meeting and this is what we are working with: Bylaws may be adopted or amended:A. By a vote of a majority of the qualified members present at any business meeting provided that the specific notice of such change has been given in the call for such a meeting at least 10 days prior to that meeting;or Notice of changes to bylaws in reference to this meeting was given 10 days prior and section was given notice we would be voting on changes at meeting

Doug Baldwin:I'll check you latest send to me and post last thing I have

Louisa & Cassidy:Thanks Doug

Doug Baldwin:posting now

jenne Heise:

Louisa & Cassidy:As far as the Constitution goes, it seems the name change and the mission of the section are a tandem discussion that needs more time for discussion so we are leaving that at the leadership of next year

Tierney Miller:ah so it looks like we're okay to make changes today, since membership had at least 10 days notice

Louisa & Cassidy:That said -- continue the conversation on the name and the mission!

Tierney Miller:to the by laws i mean

Louisa & Cassidy:^yes, Tierney

Louisa & Cassidy:This is the latest one -- thank you, Doug!

jenne Heise:Nitpick, do we still need to remove "(or Co-Presidents) in I.A. ?

Jen Schureman:Yes, I believe we do

Louisa & Cassidy:Thanks, Jenne! Sending it Doug

Louisa & Cassidy:Any other comments?

Dennis Kuhn:Looks good

Beverly Rowan:looks good to me, too.

Tierney Miller:thumbs up

Sara Weissman:fine...go

Karen Vaias:There are a few minor grammatical errors in D1 and D2

Rich Wiest:Good to go.

Louisa & Cassidy:We will proof-read all grammar before submitting to the exec board

Sophie Brookover:Shall we take a vote, then?

Sara Weissman:(thanks for fast work, Doug)

Louisa & Cassidy:Do we have a motion to accept the by-laws changes as proposed pending grammatical

corrections (there's a way to vote on the top tool bar of Adobe)

Sara Weissman:so moved

Louisa & Cassidy:Do we have a second?

Beverly Rowan:I second it.

Louisa & Cassidy:Also those in favor, please vote using the raised hand icon

Louisa & Cassidy:Do we have any opposed? (please use the disagree icon)

Louisa & Cassidy:And for absentions please use the step away icon

Sophie Brookover:You may wish to clear everyone's status

Nancy Berkenfeld: I am in visual overload and can only locate hand icon for those who voted

Nancy Berkenfeld:oops found it

Doug Baldwin:Use the arrow next to the hand icon to access other options

Nancy Berkenfeld:I need to logoff as I need to go to dinner to stay on schedule.

Doug Baldwin:Need to discern what those using green checks are voting

Jen Schureman:green checks mean agree in drop down box

Doug Baldwin:ok so using hands up and gree checks as same thing - just want to make sure so there is no issue later :)

Louisa & Cassidy:Alright, the changes have been accepted by a majority vote

Louisa & Cassidy:(I think you can clear your individual statuses)

Louisa & Cassidy:Thank you everyone for getting through that

Louisa & Cassidy:Anyone interested in taking a position for next year?

Doug Baldwin:I am willing to conitnue as MAL - I wish I could commit more :(

Louisa & Cassidy:Doug, you earned your MAL cred today with the uploads

Louisa & Cassidy:Please continue thinking about joining the executive board - please ask any of us any questions you have

Louisa & Cassidy:(We're all up to date on the roles and responsibilities now :) )

Sara Weissman:Q here...

jenne Heise:Q: is there any way to find out information about NJLA section boards?

Sara Weissman:does section or Assn have a position

Jill S:I'm sorry but I need to run. Bye everyone!

Sara Weissman:on grabbing federal,web pages/sites

Sara Weissman:before they are scrubbed?

Sara Weissman:Have to scoot at 4 so I'll leave you with that. Thanks

Louisa & Cassidy:I need some clarification on both of the questions..

Doug Baldwin:regarding info on sections and committees : <http://njlamembers.org/>

Beverly Rowan:I have to leave, too.

Karen Vaias:bye everyone!

Tierney Miller:i'm off too - bye everyone!

Louisa & Cassidy:Bye everyone..

Rich Wiest:I also need to leave.

Doug Baldwin:I am not aware of an officail position on that topic Sara - the NJLA Board would have had to vote on a prepatated statement in taking any position such as that and not one I am aware of  
jenne Heise:Thank you, that was what I was looking for.

Louisa & Cassidy:For those remaining, the NJLA virtual meeting today had a few announceents. Registration opens for the conference on Feb.1st!

Louisa & Cassidy:Also, we will need members to assist with marketing and creating fliers, memes, and gifs

Louisa & Cassidy:Reference will launch all promotional materials for our conference programs on Feb 28 so please volunteer to help!

jenne Heise:I'd be happy to help. [jheise@drew.edu](mailto:jheise@drew.edu)

Doug Baldwin:I can try and assist with that since I will be doing a piece for the conf website to highlight ref section programs

Louisa & Cassidy:Thanks Jenne!

Louisa & Cassidy:Okay, Doug - let us know what we can help you with

Dennis Kuhn:I can help too with fliers or memes

Louisa & Cassidy:FYI - we had 7 out of 10 program proposals accepted

Louisa & Cassidy:Yay memes!

Louisa & Cassidy:And several of our co-sponsoring programs were accepted as well

jenne Heise:Wonderful!

Louisa & Cassidy:Be sure to volunteer in the follow-up email we will be sending out

Louisa & Cassidy:Thank you, Dennis

Louisa & Cassidy:OKKKK so since we are running out of time....thats all FOLKS! Thank you for attending !

jenne Heise:thank you.