President’s Message
Diane Duffey, Habush Habush & Rottier

So I did it once again. I jumped into Lake Michigan on January 1st with lots of other wacky people. It goes without saying that it was COLD; it was also a little crazy (OK, this may be an understatement), took a fair amount of bravado, and I believe, the cockier one is, the more trying it can really end up being.

Since I’m a lover of analogies, I am able to see some parallels between jumping into a lake in winter and using the Internet for research without libraries or librarians. It can be a little crazy, takes some bravado, and can prove pretty trying. I would even say that the World Wide Web as perceived by performing general web searches gives me a chill, when I encounter so many “dot coms” out there which seek much less to give me reliable, useful information than to simply market to me or serve as an unedited vanity press.

OK, I’m really starting to stretch things here. But why do I insist on drawing analogies to the issue of the Internet overshadowing the importance of librarians? When I sat for my comprehensive exam for my MLIS in 1998, I recall writing an essay in defense of librarians as still having an important role -- in fact, being even more crucial -- with the burgeoning growth of the Internet at the time. And yet nine years later, to my dismay, there still seems to be a need for librarians to defend their role. One case in point: Bev Butula recently directed me to an article -- well, more of a list -- outlining several points why librarians are still very much needed: "Are Librarians Obsolete?" published Jan. 30, 2007 at http://www.degreetutor.com/library/adult-continued-education/librarians-needed (Thanks, Bev!)

The World Wide Web is so vast that it really needs to be someone's job to stay on top of it. And then the vastness frequently tricks some into thinking that EVERYTHING'S out there, just waiting to be collected for free. Further, things work so differently from site to site; as different as bodies of law are from state to state, so is the accessibility of each state's laws via the Web. It's like those pesky "do it yourself" charge card machines in stores -- did you ever notice how they all seem to work differently from store to store to store? It seems that librarians have to continually prove their necessity in light of the Internet, as if we're dealing with the stereotypical male driver who insists on not stopping for directions. (See how I like analogies?!)
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There’s an entire, ever changing World of Information out there which is much greater than the sum of its Web accessible parts.

I still really like Bob Berring's proposal that librarians certify information. I know that a lot of you are actively and successfully putting ideas like this into play at your organizations, and I'd love to hear your stories. I also encourage you to check out the article cited above (if the link holds up for a while longer!), and let me know if you notice any points that are missing. I would love to hear your ideas, as well as your anecdotes which back up any of these reasons. I may use them as material for my final president's message -- yes, I confess this is an easy way for me to get fodder for my writing, but I also believe in the wisdom of my colleagues, and as a solo, I really want to hear that wisdom as often as I can.

Thanks for reading, and stay warm!

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Grants Deadline for 2007 AALL Annual Meeting Is April 2, 2007

The Grants Committee of LLAW is pleased to announce it is now accepting applications for two $800.00 grants for the upcoming AALL Annual Meeting. The 2007 meeting will be held July 14 – 17 in New Orleans. Additionally, LLAW also has one free full registration ($490.00 value) available for the Annual Meeting for a newer member. Completed applications must be received by April 2, 2007.

In selecting grant recipients, the Grants Committee will consider:

- Lack of financial assistance from employer
- Commitment to law librarianship as demonstrated by employment record and professional activities
- Participation in LLAW and potential benefit to the chapter
- Potential benefit to the applicant for enhancing skills and professional development
- Whether the applicant has been awarded a LLAW grant previously

For additional information, including the application form, see [http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/grants/index.htm](http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/grants/index.htm)
PROPOSED LLAW BYLAWS REVISIONS

The Special Bylaws Committee met in an effort to revise the Bylaws and Procedure Manual to reflect a more “realistic” view of things. Committee members include Bev Butula, Victoria Coulter, Diane Duffey, Pamela Noyd, Candace Hall Slaminski, Carol Schmitt and Marc Weinberger.

The Board has approved the revisions listed below. These changes will be on the agenda of the fourth quarterly membership meeting held later this term. Member comments will be welcome at that time. Paper voting will occur shortly after the membership meeting.

Below please find the final recommendations of the Bylaws Committee as approved by the Board.

ARTICLE IV SECTION 3 (B) - NOMINATING COMMITTEE

OLD LANGUAGE:

The Nominating Committee shall consist of three (3) members. No member of the Nominating Committee shall be an officer or a candidate for office.

NEW LANGUAGE:

The Nominating Committee will consist of three members.

REASONS:

While technically not an officer, the Past President is the Chair of the nominating committee each year. Also, the nominating committee is formed at the beginning of the term, and the committee did not want to restrict members in case someone on the Nominating committee decided to run for office.

ARTICLE V SECTION 2 - Committees

OLD LANGUAGE:

The vice-president/president elect, with the consent of the Board of Directors, shall appoint the committee chairs to serve during his/her presidency. The vice-president/president elect shall be the co-chair of the Program Committee together with a member from the other city in which programs are regularly held (Madison or Milwaukee). Each committee chair shall, jointly with the vice-president/president elect, appoint the members of his/her committee to serve during his/her term as chair.

NEW LANGUAGE:

The vice-president/president elect, with the consent of the Board of Directors, shall appoint the committee chairs to serve during his/her presidency. He/She shall also serve as co-chair of the program committee. Each committee chair shall, jointly with the vice-president/president elect, appoint the members of his/her committee to serve during his/her term as chair.

REASON:

The committee eliminated the sentence, “together with a member from the other city in which programs are regularly held (Madison or Milwaukee).” The reason is that meeting sites have also included Delafield and Johnson Creek. Another issue is that in the recent past, both members of the Programming committee have been from the same city without any problems. The Bylaws Committee believes that participation from the general membership is important.

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and location should not limit involvement. The individuals who plan the programs clearly make an effort to have Madison host, Milwaukee host, and vary the other two meeting locations depending on weather, speakers, restaurants, etc.

ARTICLE II, SECTION 3. Dues

OLD LANGUAGE:

(A) Active Members. The annual dues for active members shall be twenty dollars ($20.00). Dues for members who join after January 1 shall be ten dollars and fifty cents ($10.00).
(B) Associate Members. The annual dues for associate members shall be ten dollars ($10.00).
(C) Sustaining Members. The annual dues for sustaining members shall be sixty dollars ($60.00).
(D) Student Members. The annual dues for student members shall be ten dollars ($10.00).

NEW LANGUAGE:

Dues and any reasonable increase in same for each class of membership shall be determined by the Board of Directors, subject to approval by two-thirds of the members present and voting at any regular meeting, provided that notice shall have been sent either via regular or electronic mail to the members at least 60 days in advance of the meeting.

The dues year is June 1 to May 31 of the following year. Dues are payable on June 1 of each year.

Sustaining members shall pay dues at three times the rate of the individual membership dues. Associate members and student members shall pay dues at one-half the cost of the individual membership dues. These dues are non-refundable.

REASON:

Obviously, having the bylaws contain a specific dollar amount for dues presents problems when any increase is necessary. With this revision, the Board can increase dues as needed (with membership approval).
**Member News**

Angela Ames, Foley & Lardner (Madison) is now Angela Henes. Her new email is ahenes@foley.com.

Jill Bradshaw, LaFollette Godfrey & Kahn, and Bev Butula, Davis & Kuelthau, were selected to participate in the LEXIS sponsored AMPLL 2007 – Advanced Management in Private Law Libraries.

Patricia Cervenka, Marquette University Law Library, is the 2007 Chair of the American Association of Law Schools’ Law and Sports Section; she also published “Free Shoes for Primary and Secondary Schools: Playing by the Rules of Title IX” in the Fall 2006 issue of the Marquette Sports Law Review, Volume 17(1).

Amy Gannaway's review of Marci Hamilton's book, God vs. the Gavel: Religion and the Rule of Law, was published in the Fall 2006 issue of the Law Library Journal on page 707:

Mary Koshollek, Godfrey & Kahn, wrote Reference Sites on the Web in the December issue of the Wisconsin Lawyer on page 36. This article was highly praised on the Law Librarian Blog, January 25, 2007.

Bonnie Shucha, University of Wisconsin Law Library:
- presented Delivery Tools: Blogs, RSS, Alerts & Podcasts at the November 2006 meeting of Legal Personnel of South Central Wisconsin, Madison, WI - http://www.lpscw.org/education.htm
- Bonnie’s WisBlawg was recently named a Top 100 Education Blog by the OEDb: Online Education Database

The UW-Madison Law Librarians Reference Staff is team teaching a School of Libraries & Information Services (SLIS) Course this Spring semester entitled “Topics in User Services; Legal Reference Services.” The instructors for the course are Bill Ebbott, Cheryl O’Connor, Sunil Rao, Bonnie Shucha & Jenny Zook.

Jenny Zook, University of Wisconsin Law Library, wrote “I am the Cheesehead: the Law Librarian Who Moved to Wisconsin” in Legal Reference Services Quarterly, vol. 25 (2/3), 2006, on page 169. The abstract is freely available on Haworth Press; access to the full article online requires a subscription or a fee.

**New Members**

Please welcome our new LLAW members:

Katie Nelson, is the new part-time Assistant Librarian at von Briesen & Roper. Katie is also working on her MLS degree and was formerly employed at the Frank L. Weyenberg Library of Mequon-Thiensville, before joining von Briesen at the beginning of the year.

Emily Weiss is a student member, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.
Grants Available!
Connie Lenz, Hamline University School of Law, Chair, AALL Grants Committee

The AALL Grants Committee invites qualified applicants to apply for AALL’s Annual Meeting/Workshop Grants and the Minority Leadership Development Award. The AALL Grants Program provides financial assistance to law librarians or graduate students who hold promise of future involvement in AALL and the law library profession. Vendors, AALL, and AALL individual members provide the funds for grants.

The AALL Grants Program began in 1952 and is one of the oldest and most successful AALL programs. More than 1,000 librarians have received funding to assist them in attending AALL educational activities. Many of those recipients are leaders in the profession today. Annual Meeting and Workshop Grants are awarded to cover the Annual Meeting registration fee or the registration fee for workshops presented at the Annual Meeting. Preference is given to applicants who are new to the profession and are active in AALL or one of its chapters. For additional information, check out the application on the AALL Grant Committee’s web site at www.aallnet.org/committee/grants/grant_application.asp.

In 2001, an additional Grants Program, the Minority Leadership Development Award, was created to ensure that AALL’s leadership remains vital, relevant, and representative of the Association’s diverse membership. The award provides up to $1,500 toward the cost of attending the Annual Meeting, an experienced AALL leader to serve as the recipient’s mentor, and an opportunity to serve on an AALL committee during the year following the monetary award. For additional information, check out the application on the Grant Committee’s web site at www.aallnet.org/about/award_mlda.asp.

AALL/LexisNexis Research Fund Grants

The Research Committee of the American Association of Law Libraries is accepting applications through April 1, 2007 for research grants from the AALL/LexisNexis Research Fund Grants Program, totaling up to $5,000.

The committee will award one or more grants to library professionals who wish to conduct research that supports the research/scholarly agenda of the profession of librarianship. The grants program funds small or large research projects that create, disseminate, or otherwise use legal and law-related information as its focus. Projects may range from the historical (indexes, legislative histories, bibliographies, biographies, directories) to the theoretical (trends in cataloging, publishing or new service models in libraries) to the practical (implementation models for collection, personnel or infrastructure management). The AALL Research Agenda offers suggestions for possible research projects. To review AALL's Research Agenda, please go to http://www.aallnet.org/committee/research/agenda.asp

The AALL/LexisNexis Publishers Research Fund Grant Program was established in 2000 with a generous contribution of $100,000 from LexisNexis. The Research Fund will provide grants to library professionals who seek to conduct research that is critical to the profession. The Research Fund provides a secure financial base, enabling the AALL Research Committee to carry out the Association's Research Agenda.

The submission deadline for applications is postmarked by April 1, 2007. Grants will be awarded and announced in May. Allocation of the research grants will be at the sole discretion of the AALL Research Committee. For more information about the grants, please contact Jean Callihan, Chair of the AALL Research Committee, at jc374@cornell.edu

The grant application and complete guidelines are available at http://www.aallnet.org/about/grant_application.asp

Day in the Life of the Law Library Community Photo Contest

Phil W. Johnson, UMKC School of Law, AALL Public Relations Committee Chair

Dust off your cameras and start scoping out the perfect shot. A Day in the Life of the Law Library Community Photo Contest starts February 1, 2007. We encourage you to be creative in finding snapshots that capture the essence of law librarianship and are visually attractive.

During the month of February, AALL members will take a wide range of photographs of law librarians working, meeting, teaching, and doing all that law librarians do in a given day. Entries will be due by the end of the month, and they will be judged online by the membership in April. Winners will be recognized on AALLNET, in the July 2007 issue of AALL Spectrum, and during the AALL Annual Meeting in New Orleans.

Visit the Day in the Life site (www.aallnet.org/dayinlife/) for complete contest rules, photography tips, and the winning 2005 photos.
LLAW Members at the November Meeting:
Board and Membership Minutes begin at p. 18

From left: Carol Schmitt, speaker Bruce Hoesly, Diane Duffy, Marc Weinberger, Jenny Zook

From left: Virginia Meier, Jane Colwin, Sara Paul, Nancy Paul, Bill Ebbott

(Photographs by Connie VonDerHeide)
Recommended Readings
Cindy May, University Of Wisconsin Law Library


This paper, first presented at a library conference in England, outlines approaches to successful project management, emphasizing the importance of people and the management of the relationships side of projects.


According to this article, the current degree of legal database industry concentration is likely to be a negative factor for a large portion of users, particularly noncommercial users not located at law schools. Since industry concentration is associated with significant price increases, it will become of even greater concern as electronic access becomes more pervasive.


Copyright owners have the right to legally withdraw or destroy their digital works, deleting the last copy from the Internet and thus from human history. To prevent this, the author argues that copyright exceptions need to be enacted to protect the mission of Internet archives.


This set of three articles is based on the author’s experience as an intellectual property librarian for over a decade. The first installment covers basic IP research, the second covers current awareness tools, and the third covers trademark searching.


In an effort to control flows of unauthorized information, copyright industries are pursuing a range of strategies which overlap and intersect with one another. This article pleads for more careful attention to the possible effects of this trend on our future information society.


Several provisions of the Voting Rights Act were recently extended for another 25 years. This bibliography introduces researchers to the issues involved in the debate over the Act’s reauthorization and its future implementation.


This note argues that Google should prevail in the lawsuits filed against it by the Authors Guild and the Association of American Publishers, because the Google Books Library Project qualifies as a fair use

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pursuant to 17 U.S.C. 107.


Eisenberg, Theodore. “Use It or Pretenders Will Abuse It: The Importance of Archival Legal Information.” UMKC Law Review 75:1-23 (fall 2006)

This article uses the examples of tort awards, trial rates, and class actions to illustrate that archival sources can and should inform policymaking. The author recommends that objective analysis of such archival information be promoted to assure that policymaking isn’t captured by special interest groups.


Constitutionalist patrons are defined here as patrons who challenge the validity of the mainstream legal system. This paper attempts to illustrate the challenges such patrons pose for law librarians.


The authors target as their audience pro se patrons – those who cannot afford counsel and need to conduct their own legal research. Because pro se patrons typically don’t have access to commercial legal databases, the scope is limited to print materials accessible on law library shelves.


This new rule allows citation to opinions issued on or after January 1, 2007 that have been designated “unpublished” or “non-precedential,” but the author maintains that the rule doesn’t go far enough. He argues that an opinion’s precedential value cannot possibly be determined at the time it is issued, without the benefit of time and feedback.


The author outlines a model law that he believes would foster innovation in the digitally networked environment while minimizing the unwanted spillover effects of protection legislation such as digital rights management schemes.

This note gives an overview of Google's digitization project and argues that the notion of "library" must be broadened to include commercial information enterprises such as Google's. This would allow such projects to fall within the library exemption to copyright infringement liability.


A small team of legal historians is wrapping up the work of reconstructing the Supreme Court’s first decade, a period largely lost to history due to poor official records, misleading contemporaneous accounts, and the fire that burned the Capitol in the War of 1812.


This is a guide to legal research tutorials suitable for first year law students and issued by CALI, Westlaw, and LexisNexis. The tutorials cover legal research in secondary sources, case law, citators, statutes/legislation, topical areas, and general research skills.


This article discusses federal and state court statistics and where to find them.


LLAW member Mary Koshollek advises that healthy skepticism and critical evaluation techniques are basic lawyering traits that should always be used when assessing the credibility of Internet-based information.


In this issue, Mary Koshollek discusses reference tools available on the Web, including dictionaries, directories, atlases, maps, almanacs, statistics, encyclopedias, writing guides, calculators, calendars, and timekeepers.


Public records contain large amounts of personal information, easily discovered. But as privacy concerns limit access, the authors suggest alternative sources, including social networking sites, blogs, podcasts,
PowerPoint presentations, and Google groups.


This note argues that the Google Library Project is justified under the fair use doctrine because of the purpose and character of Google's use, the nature of the copyrighted works themselves, the amount and substantiality of the copyrighted works being used in the project, and the effect of such use on the market value of the works.


Justice Department officials have asked a court to make the ACLU return a classified document. The ACLU contends that the document is harmless and is trying to quash the subpoena. This article discusses whether or not too many U.S. documents are being classified as secret.


Recent cases have blurred the legal liability of P2P file-sharing intermediaries. To limit the threat of potential litigation, some higher education officials are implementing harsh measures, which the author argues could ultimately contribute to a chilling effect on academic discourse.


Prof. Milles argues that the movement for more open access to legal scholarship doesn’t solve the problem of high-cost practitioner-oriented publications. He suggests that law schools invest some of their resources in publishing legal information for practitioners.


The author argues that the recent decision in Perfect 10 v. Google continues a general trend foreclosing many findings of fair use. Following the reasoning of the decision, if there is any present market for the digital content, regardless of whether the allegedly infringing use has any negative effect on that market, the market factor will weigh against a fair use finding.


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AALL Calendar of events, [http://www.aall.org/calendar/default.asp?page=1&sort=1&arc=no](http://www.aall.org/calendar/default.asp?page=1&sort=1&arc=no)

**Future AALL Annual Meetings:**
- July 12-15, 2008   Portland
- July 25-28, 2009   Washington, D.C.
- July 10-13, 2010   Denver

**Future SLA Meetings:**
- July 27-30, 2008   Seattle
- June 14-17, 2009   Washington, D.C.
- June 13-16, 2010   New Orleans
# LLAW Statement of Accounts - Summary

## 2006/2007

As of 02/13/07

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Having a librarian on staff isn’t normally feasible for solos and small firms, so a lawyer or other staff member must take on the role of developing a library. In this piece, a law librarian offers pointers on how to successfully undertake the process within a budget.


This column describes how to use Google to search for phone numbers, maps, driving directions, vehicles (by VIN), patents, images, videos, word spellings and definitions, and even full-text books through Google Books. It also explains how Google may be used to track mail shipments, perform mathematical calculations and conversions, access airline flight data, and check the weather.


This analysis focuses on the interplay between economics and fair use, drawing a connection between the Google Library Project’s likely positive impact on book sales and the project’s legality.


This paper answers common questions about the job duties, salaries, qualifications, satisfactions, and frustrations of foreign, comparative, and international law librarians.


The author develops a law and economics framework that he applies to a critique of the current law and economics of fair use.


This comment examines the history of the doctrine of precedent, chronicles the development of unpublished opinions as a response to the changing nature of the judicial system in the mid-twentieth century, discusses the modern treatment of unpublished opinions, and suggests improvements to ensure the perpetuation of precedent in legal systems striving for efficiency.


These papers from a May 2006 summit at the University of Denver College of Law discuss such topics as digital rights management, anticircumvention, the public domain, and liquid patents.


The author argues that Google’s book search capability may be a fair use for two inter-related reasons: it is unlikely to reduce the sales of printed books, and it promises to improve the marketing of books via an innovative book marketing platform featuring short previews.


This article tracks the use and growth of Internet citations by Supreme Court justices in the decade 1996-2006. The growth in Internet citations is compared to larger trends, such as the growth in citations to nonlegal sources.


The author argues that before Grokster the law on third-party liability was inconsistent and incoherent, but that in Grokster the Supreme Court offered a distinct improvement by implying a limited construction on third party liability.


LLAW member Jenny Zook gives a humorous account of her odyssey from Chicago private law firm librarian to Wisconsin academic law librarian.

* Photocopies of articles from periodicals cited herein may be obtained through the regular photocopy services of the UW Law Library (608-262-3394) or the Wisconsin State Law Library (608-266-1600)
Second Quarterly Board Meeting  
Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin  
November 14, 2006  
Hi-Way Harry’s  
Johnson Creek, Wisconsin

I. Called to order at 5:08 pm by President Diane Duffey  
President . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Diane Duffey  
Past President . . . . . . . . . Bev Butula  
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Newsletter . . . . . . . . . . . Julia Jaet

II. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting  
Bev Butula moved to approve the minutes from the August 29, 2006 Board meeting. That meeting had been held jointly at the Offices of Habush, Habush & Rottier S.C. in both Milwaukee and Madison via phone conference. Carol Schmitt moved to second. The board members agreed unanimously. No one opposed, and no one abstained.

III. Treasurer’s Report (Jim Mumm)  
Treasurer’s Report:  
Currently (as of 11/14/06)  
Ending balance – checking account $3,569.80  
Ending balance – savings account $3,676.06  
Total $7,245.86

Jim disclosed that LLAW lost $72.93 on the last meeting. He cautioned that the association needs to carefully watch expenses for the programs and charge appropriately.

IV. President’s Report

a. Unsung Heroes Awards  
Diane congratulated Julie Tessmer for being name the winner of the Unsung Hero Award in the Law Librarian category.

b. Governmental Printing Office Funding  
Diane had signed a letter in September on behalf of LLAW encouraging Representative David Obey’s support of increased funding for the GPO. Representative Obey is a ranking member of the Committee on Appropriations. The letter was sent to Representative Obey by LLAW member Rhonda Karau of Wausau since she is a constituent of Rep. Obey.

V. Committee Reports  
Archives (Kira Zaporski)  
Diane Duffey reported that Kira had nothing to report.

Government Relations (Tony Chan)  
Diane reported that Tony is currently monitoring Senate Bill 3774, “The Official Secrets Act”. AALL has issued an action alert. This bill would criminalize the unauthorized disclosure of classified information. The bill would also give the executive branch broad discretion to prosecute individuals without proving that a disclosure poses a threat to national security. AALL is asking members to contact their senators if they are members of the Senate Judiciary Committee and urge them to oppose the legislation. AALL feels that the bill challenges the First Amendment rights of all Americans.

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Grants (Amy Thornton)
  Diane Duffey reported that Amy had nothing to report.

Membership (Julie Tessmer)
  Julie Tessmer has contacted former members to encourage their continued participation and hopes to increase membership to more than 100. The board discussed the possibility of lowering the cost of program attendance for members, as well as additional means of locating and contacting law librarians that currently are not members.

Currently there are 81 members of LLAW, including:
  Active members 70  Associate members 3
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Newsletter (Bev Butula and Julia Jaet)
  Julia reported that the latest newsletter should be completed by the end of the month and would include pictures.

Nominating (Bev Butula)
  Bev encouraged people to volunteer if they had an interest in a position.

Placement (Angela Ames)
  Angela had nothing to report.

Program (Carol Schmitt and Jenny Zook)
  Jenny and Carol reported that they were looking for something light-hearted for the February meeting. They will continue to look for a speaker. Jim suggested that perhaps we could revisit Comedy Sportz. Diane mentioned that SLA had suggested a joint teleconference. Jenny and Carol encouraged people to submit program topics.

Public Access (Angela Sanfilippo)
  Diane Duffey reported that Angela had nothing to report.

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  Diane reported that Susan intended to send an email to recruit writers.

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  Diane Duffey reported that Heidi had nothing to report.

Special Committee on By-laws (Bev Butula)
  The Special Bylaws Committee has been meeting in an effort to revise the Bylaws and Procedure Manual to reflect a more “realistic” view of things. The Committee proposed the following changes:
  
  Change 1 -
  The language in Article VI Sec. 3 (B) restricting members of the committee from being either an officer or a candidate for office would be removed. The section would be shortened to simply specify that the Nominating Committee would consist of three members.

  The proposed language reads:
  “The Nominating Committee will consist of three members.”

  The members of the Board didn’t have any problems with the wording change and there were no further comments. Jim moved that the language be adopted, Carol seconded and the motion passed.
Change 2 -
Article V Section 2 currently requires that the co-chair of the Program Committee be from a city other than the one in which the vice-president elect resides. Since meetings are held on a regular basis in cities other than Milwaukee and Madison and this rule has been disregarded in the past without incident, it was proposed that the language be dropped.

The proposed language reads:
“The vice-president elect, with the consent of the Board of Directors, shall appoint the committee chairs to serve during his/her presidency. He/She shall also serve as co-chair of the program committee. Each committee chair shall, jointly with the vice-president/president elect, appoint the members of his/her committee to serve during his/her term.”

Once again, the members of the Board agreed with the wording change and there was no further discussion. Jim moved that the language be adopted, Jaime seconded and the motion passed.

Change 3 –
The specific language requiring the co-chair of the Program Committee to reside in the “other major city” was eliminated from Item No. 2 of the Procedure Manual, as well.

The proposed language reads:
“Consist of the vice president/president elect and a co-chair.”

The members of the Board agreed with the wording change and there was no further discussion. Carol moved that the language be adopted, Julie seconded and the motion passed.

Change 4 –
Item No. 19 of the Procedure Manual currently requires that “a 15% gratuity and local sales tax to the cost of the food.” Standard restaurant practice frequently requires a larger gratuity and the program announcements have not listed the gratuity for some time. The committee proposed that the reference to the specific rate for the gratuity be eliminated and that it no longer be mentioned in the program announcement.

The proposed language reads:
“Standard group gratuity rates will be added to each member’s dinner charge.”

Julie moved to approve the language as proposed and Carol moved to second the motion. The board members agreed unanimously. No one opposed and no one abstained.

Change 5 –
Item No. 8 of the Procedure Manual is similar to the language in the Bylaws restricting members of the Nominating Committee to members that are not officers or candidates for office. In order to be consistent, the committee proposed that the restrictive language be removed.

The proposed language reads:
“Assures that the committee consists of three members.”

Jim moved to approve the language as proposed and Julia moved to second the motion. The board members agreed unanimously. No one opposed and no one abstained.
Change 6 –
The committee eliminated the last sentence of Item No. 10 of the Procedure Manual which imposes residency requirements on the candidates for vice president/president elect.

The proposed language reads:
“Attempts to nominate candidates with a regard to equitable geographical balance and balance by type of library.”

Jim moved to approve the language as proposed and Carol moved to second the motion. The board members agreed unanimously. No one opposed and no one abstained.

VI. Old Business
Electronic Balloting
Diane began the discussion on electronic balloting. She explained that it would cost $250.00 plus $0.20 per member to use the software from AALL. Bev explained that it currently costs less than $50.00 to use paper ballots.

Bev moved to continue with paper ballots and Jim seconded the motion. The board members agreed unanimously.

Chapter Liability Insurance
Diane stated that AALL is encouraging individual chapters to purchase liability insurance. Jim questioned whether AALL is concerned that they may be liable if there was an incident. Jim concluded that it did not make sense for LLAW to purchase the insurance and moved that we not purchase liability insurance. Julie seconded the motion. The board members agreed unanimously. No one opposed and no one abstained.

VII. New Business
a. This past summer, LLAW was asked to co-sponsor a proposal for a program that would be presented at the AALL PIC’s 2007 Annual Meeting Editor's Roundtable program. Carol Bannen explained that the proposal, entitled “A Win-Win Partnership: Law Editors and Law Librarians”, had been accepted. Subsequently, LLAW has been asked to sponsor Joyce Hastings, form the *Wisconsin Law Journal*, as a VIP at the next AALL conference. The sponsorship would include one additional night’s hotel stay plus a per diem. The estimated cost is expected to be between $300.00 and $500.00. It was suggested that perhaps one of the grants could be used to fund the sponsorship.

Carol Schmitt moved to sponsor Joyce Hastings and Jim moved to second the motion. The board members agreed unanimously. No one opposed and no one abstained.

VIII. Other Announcements
There were no other announcements

XI. Adjournment
Bev moved to adjourn at 5:57 pm. and Jim seconded the motion. The board members agreed unanimously. No one opposed and no one abstained.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynne M. Gehrke,
Secretary
I. Called to order at 7:05 pm by President Diane Duffey

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The deadline for submitting articles for the next
LLAW NEWSLETTER

Is

April 2, 2007

Submit articles to
Bev Butula,
bbutula@dkattorneys.com
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Institution/Organization: ________________________________________________________
Address: _______________________________________________________________________
City: _________________________  State _________ Zip: ____________
Phone: _______________________  Fax: ______________
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Are you a new _____ or renewing _____ LLAW member?
Are you an AALL MEMBER? Yes: _______  No: ________

NOTIFICATIONS/MAILINGS/LISTS:
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(Officially connected with law library, either currently or within past 7 years.)
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(Not officially connected with a law library. May serve on committees. Vendors and their
representatives are not eligible.)
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interest in law librarianship. May serve on committees.)
___ Sustaining ($60.00) - Non voting
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___ Newsletter Only ($4.00)

Please circle any LLAW committees you are interested in :
Archives  Government Relations  Grants  Membership  Newsletter
Nominating  Placement  Program  Public Access  Public Relations  Web

Applicant’s Signature: ____________________________  Date: ______________

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