Agenda, Introductions and Welcome

Sofia Slutskaya, Georgia Institute of Technology, Chair of the Academic Library Division (ALD) for 2017, brought the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

- **Sofia** introduced each officer of Academic Library Division.
  - Rebecca Rose, Immediate Past Chair
  - Jennifer Townes, Vice-Chair/Chair Elect
  - Angela Dixon, Secretary
  - Amy Stalker, Nominating Committee Chair
  - Jennifer Townes, Paper Review Committee Chair
  - Kim Boyd, ACRL chapter council representative

Kim Boyd, ACRL chapter council representative, briefed attendees on ACRL conference past and future as well as ALA.

- **ACRL Conference 2017**
  - Date and Location: March 22-25, 2017 in Baltimore, Maryland
  - Theme: Leading Transformations
  - Individual and group rates available but rates not posted yet.
  - Institutions can register for virtual conference and have continuing access to virtual conference after it’s over.

- **ACRL Goals Redefined**
  - Kim reported on Irene Harold’s visit to this past annual council meeting and her discussion of new “plan for excellence.”
  - Goals were revised in 2016 from original 2011 version to now emphasize ACRL “supporting us in understanding our new roles in changing landscape and in particular, promoting effective leadership in a changing world.”
  - Kim suggested that ALD consider inviting Irene Harold to speak to members on these new ideas for new roles in changing landscapes. ACRL allots 10 free chapter visits a year once every four years per chapter. (ALD will be eligible for free visit in 2018.)

- **ACRL Workshops**
  - Kim reminded members that ACRL offers fee based, licensed workshops which are immersive and customizable for chapters and schools. Any interested members are instructed to contact Kim who will then put them in contact with Chase Ellis to set workshop up.
• **ACRL Standards Rescinded**
  o At ACRL Annual, ACRL officially rescinded the ACRL Standards and adopted the ACRL framework going forward.

• **ACRL Representative Invite**
  o Kim invited all members to consider attending the ACRL Chapters Council meetings this year as they will be held in Atlanta this year.
  o Date and Location: January 21, 2017 at the Westin Peachtree Plaza (Room# TBA)
    ▪ 8:30a = Regular Meeting
    ▪ 10:30a = Work Session Meeting
  o Kim suggested that anyone interested in assuming her (three term) position in 2017 as ACRL Chapter Council representative get in touch with her to meet at these meetings to get a feel for what the role entails. Kim’s email address is KBoyd2@brenau.edu.
  o The term for ACRL Chapter Council Representative is three terms.

**Sofia Slutskaya** detailed ALD candidate election timelines and seat duration terms.

- June 2017 = Nominations Begin
- September 2017 = Election
- October 2017 = Election results announced at Georgia Library Conference (GLC)
- January 2018 = Term Begins

**Past Treasurer, Ashley Dupree**, announced that there is a budget for the ACRL Chapter Council Representative position to go to ALA Midwinter and ALA Annual each year. The announcement presents a nice incentive for those considering running for this position.

**Sofia Slutskaya** encouraged attendees to participate in the annual research paper competition.

- Winning paper gets reward of $250
- January 2017 = Call for proposals
- February 2017 = New training workshop session added to process.
  o ALD has secured a partnership with Carterette Series for Sara Steiner to do a free workshop / webinar in late February on scholarship writing and how to become involved in scholarship publishing.
- April 2017 = Notice of Intent
- May – June 2017 = Peer Review?
  o Sofia questioned the positive reception of offering the service of a professional peer reviewer to review submissions prior to final submission for those interested. Addition of this feature to the competition will be contingent upon gathering enough volunteer professional peer reviewers.
  o Call went out for professional review volunteers as well as blind peer review committee volunteers as an opportunity to become involved in the competition process.
- July 2017 = Final Paper Submission
- August 2017 = Notification of results
- October 2017 = Conference Presentation
**Virginia Feher**, editor of Georgia Library Quarterly (GLQ), instructed members on the particulars of submitting articles to the scholarly publication.

- Georgia Library Quarterly published quarterly.
- News items are not publicity. Call for news items sent out quarterly with no firm publication deadline.
- Publication accepts narratives and peer-reviewed submissions.
- Presentation of competition paper does not mean automatic submission for publication into Georgia Library Quarterly.
- Citation style required for submission is Chicago (author-date/no footnotes) not APA. There are no plans to change to APA in the near future.
- Contact Virginia with any questions but she strongly advises actually reading the publication to become familiar with publishing expectations.

**Sofia Slutskaya** suggested that ALD will offer a workshop on Chicago citation styles as a part of the research paper competition program.

**Rebecca Rose** discussed last year’s GLA programming survey results on desired topics offered for discussion. She explained the origin of the survey and future expectations.

- There are 301 GLA-ALD members. There were 51 participants in the survey. ALD would like more participants this year.
- Results of the survey:
  **Answers (by category):**
  - Assessment: 11
  - Library Instruction/Instructional Design/ACRL Framework: 11
  - Writing and Publishing: 9
  - Statistical Software/Assisting Grad students: 9
  - Career/Professional Development/Philosophy Statements: 7
  - Management/Leadership: 5
  - Working with Faculty: 4

  **Additional topics**
  - Continuing education and LIS skills improvement; activities to improve your CV
  - Statistical/Data analysis programs like SPSS
  - Safety on campus/active shooter training
  - NVivo/Statistical software - Using statistics in your work (teaching, assessment, etc.)
  - Information literacy instruction (especially using one-shots)
  - Marketing library services to administration, faculty, and/or students
  - Writing/developing a Philosophy Statement of Librarianship for jobseekers
  - Assessment (instruction and otherwise) - both what kinds of data to collect and how to use it in a meaningful way.
  - Big data
  - Beginning digital archives
  - Serving graduate students
  - Best practices for managing student workers/assistants
  - Program mentoring library school students/intern opportunities
Networking
Getting published; Writing workshops; Peer Review
Reference services away from the desk; best practices for chat, text, etc.
Intellectual freedom post Snowden
- Complete results of the survey are available online.

Floor was opened for suggestions for ALD = GLA programming topics.

- **Topics Suggested**
  - Finding Reliable Sources within news sources with which we are inundated
  - Digital Literacy
  - Ways to open students up to read sources that conflict with their personal views
  - Asking a journalist to speak to group on ethical reporting

*Cathy Jeffery* encouraged all members to take a closer look at the new, improved recreational and tourist offerings of Columbus, Ga where the next Georgia Library Conference (previously titled COMO) will take place.

Notes taken by Angela Dixon