For the 2019-2020 year, the Law Repository Caucus Executive Committee was made up of the following members: Lauren Seney, Chair; Ben Keele, Vice Chair/Chair-Elect; Karen Shephard, Past Chair; Christine George, Secretary; and Pam Brannon, Member-at-Large. There were four active committees throughout the year: the Bylaws Committee, chaired by Kincaid Brown; the Education Committee, chaired by Mary Godfrey-Rickards; the Nominations Committee, chaired by Kris Turner; and the Projects Committee, chaired by Stephanie Miller. The webmaster for this year was Kaylan Ellis.

There are several highlights out of the Executive Committee this year, one of which was the initiation of the “Getting to Know Caucus Members” conversation, a thread in MyCommunities that will be revisited throughout the year to encourage new and existing members to introduce themselves. We also continued a conversation with ALL-SIS and CS-SIS about Scholarly Impact Principles and collectively produced a statement to be submitted to the AALL Board. This statement was submitted in time to be considered for the July AALL Business Meeting.

The Bylaws Committee picked up where last year’s committee stopped to move forward with a vote on changes to sections 4 and 5 of the Bylaws. These updates specify the procedures in the event the Vice Chair resigns, and acknowledges that the duties of each officer are expanded in the Caucus’ handbook. These amendments were approved by vote of the Caucus in November 2019. In the spring, the Bylaws committee put an updated handbook before the Executive Committee for approval. The expanded handbook was approved by the Board in April. The updated handbook and bylaws are available on the website.

The Nominations Committee put together a competitive slate of candidates and the following individuals were elected for the upcoming year: Christine George, Vice Chair/Chair-Elect; Aaron Retteen, Secretary; and Elizabeth Manriquez, Member-at-Large.

The Education Committee did a lot of brainstorming this year and after the shift to a virtual conference, compiled topics for roundtable discussions. There are several ideas percolating for future webinars that can be passed on to the committee for the upcoming year.

The Projects Committee was tasked with developing a method to maintain past projects. They are currently working to update and expand the Law School Repository Directory (https://docs.google.com/document/d/17TYzSttbmsI-37nJ-TIfIUb1C7tJHMmKQXwvdq2g-Ck/edit), and brought the list of repository conferences up to date (https://community.aallnet.org/lawrepositories/communityresources/conferencesprograms/repository-conferences). They are also finalizing plans to add repository best practices documentation to the listings in the directory.
Due to the move to a virtual annual meeting, the Executive Committee has also opted to move the Caucus’ annual Business Meeting and Roundtables. This meeting will take place on Zoom on Monday, July 20 at 2 pm EDT.

Respectfully submitted
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Chair, Law Repository Caucus, 2019-20