

# 20170421 SustainRT Board Conference

## Call notes

### Attendees

René Tanner

Madeleine Charney

Lindsey Marlow

Jodi Shaw

Mary Beth Lock

~~Rebekkah Smith-Aldrich~~

Christina Gangwisch

Kate Hutchens (taking notes)

### Budget Update (Lindsay)

- Through March 2017
- Beginning net assets (Sep. 1) - \$3867
- Revenues
  - Dues \$1382
  - Donations/Honoraria - \$160
  - Total Revenues - \$1542
- Expenses
  - Bank s/c \$58
  - Printing (outside) \$109 (ribbons)
  - Telephone/Fax \$35 (conference call line)
- Net revenue - \$1,202
- Ending Net Assets - \$5,069

### Programming Update/Reminder (Mary Beth)

ALA Programming

Saturday

1:00-2:30

Bill McKibben

## Sunday

8:30-10:00	"Taking the Lead" Panel (sustainable building projects)
10:30-11:30	NextGen Library Planning
3:00-4:00	General Membership Meeting

## Outreach Update (Jodi)

- American Libraries series
  - "This is the first column in a multipart American Libraries series that explores the library profession's relationship to sustainability."
  - Not billed as specific to SustainRT
  - Article:  
<https://americanlibrariesmagazine.org/blogs/the-scoop/libraries-and-sustainable-thinking/>
  - Article submissions: email Jodi for consideration for addition to the editorial calendar (currently slate is full until AL editor Tara asks for more)

### Outreach Committee membership

- Seeking continued/ongoing volunteers
- What about formalizing the roles and inviting committee chairs to
- Travel Award
  - Single submission
  - How can we broaden appeal?
- McKibben event arrangements
  - Bookmarks for handouts to mention each committee
  - Include a quote from McKibben

## Call for Volunteers (Madeleine)

- Committee membership volunteer form clarifies a lot of this info
  - What about folks who have been signed-on, are they automatically slated?
  - What about folks who might not meet expectations?
  - Request for infrastructure for committee work
    - Shared workspace/document saving space
    - ALA Connect refresh should have some solutions

## Thoughts on brief annual reports from Committees (Madeleine)

- For public release? Single aggregated report for all committee activities
- Bullet list of what was accomplished?
- Posted just prior to annual meeting, deadline June 15? René is likely to call for this from current committee chairs.

## June virtual meeting (René)

PHOENIX, United States, Arizona

10:00a Wed, Jun 14 2017

CDT/CST, Central Daylight Time (US)

12:00p Wed, Jun 14 2017

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1:00p Wed, Jun 14 2017

## Governance Committee Report (Rebekkah)

As submitted via email

SustainRT Board Meeting | April 21 | **Governance Report**

Submitted by Rebekkah Smith Aldrich, Member-at-Large, 4.18.17

- After a discussion with Peter Hepburn, ALA Executive Board contact for SustainRT, about the “technical advisory group” agreed upon during the March 6 call with Jim Neal (ALA President, Keith Michael Fiels (ALA Executive Director), Mary Ghikas (incoming interim ALA Executive Director), René and myself, he agreed that it needed to be officially chartered by the ALA Executive Board and introduced a motion to create a “Special Task Force on Sustainability” at their board meeting in Chicago earlier this month. This was successfully passed by the Executive Board.
  - Charge: “The Special Task Force on Sustainability is charged to develop a white paper that describes areas of focus and recommendations for the ALA Executive Board to increase the adoption and implementation of sustainable practices by the association, the profession, libraries and the communities they serve.”
  - Composition: The task force will be appointed by ALA President Julie Todaro with René and I serving to represent SustainRT; 2-4 members representing Divisions; 1 round table representative; 1-2 ALA staff representation; an Executive Board representative; and the staff liaison. The composition will follow the initial plan discussed at our last meeting to have broad representation across the association to ensure a broad cross-section of input and buy-in for implementation.
  - Timeline: The task force will make an interim report to the ALA Executive Board in January 2018 with a final report to the ALA Executive Board at its April 2018

meetings.

- Meeting with Keith Michael Fiels (ALA Executive Director) and Mary Ghikas (incoming interim ALA Executive Director) is scheduled to discuss the content and organization of an initial report that will be used by the task force as a jumping off point to cut down on conversation about things already in place/in the works.

## Matters arising & other discussions

- Ribbons: how do we ensure distribution at conferences at division conferences?
  - Do we need to order more? Lindsay will ask John
- Proposal from Madeleine: Liaison-to-committee roles for all board members except Coordinator, creating more liaison roles for others (specifically Secretary to Membership/Outreach?), no decision
  - Madeleine followed up by email:

A suggestion for shifting board liaison assignments:

- Jodi (Coordinator) - none
- Rene (Immediate Past) - Governance
- Lindsay (Treasurer) - Membership
- MB (MAL) - Programming
- Kate (Sec) if you want to or we assign to Susan (MAL) - Outreach?
- Amy (Incoming Coordinator) - Online Education?

(Or switch the people above for Outreach and Online Ed based on interest)

If we go with the idea of no liaison assignment for Coordinator, might make sense for Amy to try her hand at this before she moves into Coordinator. For first hand experience in such a role with the group.

## Next Meeting

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