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| [http://www.olaweb.org/assets/site/ola-logo.jpg](http://www.olaweb.org/) | **Technical Services Round Table**  **Business Meeting**  April 23, 2025 9:00 am – 11:00 am  Oregon Library Association Conference  *Meeting Room 4W*  796 W 13th Ave.  Eugene, OR 97402  [Lane Events Center](https://www.laneeventscenter.org/) |

In attendance: Damon Campbell (UO, Secretary), Christina Spence (TS Librarian, Coos Bay, 2025 scholarship winner), Michael Grutchfield (Eugene Public Library, Supervisor of Computer and Technical Services), Ellie Avis (Collection Manager, Multnomah, 2020 scholarship winner), Shaun Hearn ( TS Supervisor, Corvallis) Kristynn Johnson (Eugene Public Library, Chair), Richard Sepon-White (OSU, Emeritus), Emily O’Neal (past Chair)

**9:00 -9:10 Introductions Everyone**

1. **Notetaker: Damon Campbell**
2. **Introductions** – Greetings Everyone and Thank you for coming this morning!
3. **Was this a good time to meet?** Will the meeting go the full two hours?
   * 1. We will probably not go the full 2 hours
     2. 9am is a better time for us than 7:30
        1. Depends on space – no preconference this year, so more space was available
4. **Offer information about TSRT** Roundtable, Steering Committee, Listserv, history and goals
   * 1. This forum is what we make it
     2. More discussion at the August meeting
     3. People, reaching out, helping each other in what we do
        1. Share ideas with people who know what you’re talking about
        2. Space to discuss shared issues
        3. It exists, puts focus on this area of library work
           1. Appreciation of OLA panels that have come through TSRT
5. **Membership**
   * 1. Kristynn’s goal was to attract four new members
        1. We got five!
     2. TSRT has discussed attracting non-MLIS holders. Our membership is heavily made up of MLIS holders
     3. Some people may not be able to easily attend early steering committee meetings as they are held before the official “start” of the conference, despite appearing on the program
        1. City of Corvallis travel guidelines are an example
     4. Attract new members via Libs-OR – more announcements?
     5. Offer remote meetings
        1. It’s often hard to hear in these meetings
           1. Offer a portion of the meeting geared toward new people that is hybrid
     6. How do we reach people (rural, support staff, remote) from across the state?
        1. Is the requirement of being an OLA member to be part of TSRT a barrier?
     7. Create a TSRT listserv?
        1. This exists, and anyone can join!
           1. The listserv is not updated otherwise
6. TSRT Committees
   1. Scholarship – awards an annual scholarship for TSRT
   2. Conference – puts TS sessions forward to the OLA conference committee
      1. As we did for 2024/2025, we will continue to ask one of the TSRT conference committee members to attend the OLA conference committee meetings as our representative. They have been virtual, so are easier to attend these days.
   3. Website – manages updates to web site
   4. We can form ad-hoc committees, for example the Resources page update

**9:15-9:30 TSRT Officers Everyone**

1. **FY 25/26 Chair and Co-Chair:** open recruitment: Kristynn’s elected time as Chair is coming to a close; Reminder that if we do not get an incoming Chair, then TSRT could go dormant as an OLA Round Table.
   1. We currently have no co-chair. This was Emily’s situation, and she was chair for many years.
   2. Ellie would be willing to co-chair for a few years and then step up.
   3. Michael would be willing to chair AS LONG AS there is also a co-chair.
2. **Secretary –** Also opening for recruitment is the Secretary position.
   1. Damon volunteers to continue being secretary
3. Explanation more about what being Chair means:
4. Because TSRT is a Roundtable and not a Committee or Division it is a less formal atmosphere for being an Officer. The requirements of the Roundtable and Chair position can be found here [OLA Round Table By-Laws](https://www.olaweb.org/policies-10). And in the upcoming “Unit Description” initiative

**9:30-10:00 TSRT Scholarship Review Everyone**

1. 2024/25 scholarship recap
   1. This year’s winner, Christina Spence, is in attendance!
      1. Christina is now a Steering Committee member and will discuss OLA TSRT with her TS colleagues
   2. OLA executive board wanted a website for the TSRT scholarship so they could link to it from the general OLA scholarship page, which Kristynn created
      1. Landing page where the new link for the application will go annually
      2. Past recipients are visible here
         1. group likes this approach
2. Future funding sources for Scholarship brainstorm
   1. We have funded our scholarship with preconference funds historically, but this year, we had no preconference
      1. The anticipation in conference committee meetings is that preconferences will not be a regular part of conference going forward
      2. Next year is the combined PNLA conference – we’ll have less say in preconference activities and sessions than usual due to the combined conference
         1. In past combined conferences OLA specific sessions seemed to be a low priority, and Oregon TS focused sessions within those even lower priority
   2. Bake sale?
   3. Solicit vendor sponsorship?
3. We want to start the scholarship process sooner next year
   1. Allow for institutions/librarians to factor the scholarship into their travel plans
      1. This year, the call went out on January 8th and closed January 22.

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**10:00-10:45 Future TSRT Activities All**

1. Conference Activities:
   1. 2025 TSRT sessions: **Homosaurus! Implementing Inclusive Cataloging with LGBTQ+ Subject Headings with Adrian Williams (withdrawn by presenter) and a Poster session by Stephanie Milbrodt and Meagan Gibson they present a session on their experience at Tigard Library using DDC 200s**
      1. It looked promising, presenter’s institution was going to support. Presenter withdrew out of concern of flying in the present political atmosphere
      2. Schedule as it stands also had a lot of TS content in the same timeslot – Weds, 2pm.
         1. This was disappointing and going forward we hope to do even more than we did this year to ensure that our content is distributed such that people can attend multiple TS related sessions
      3. Kristynn reached out on the listservs encouraging folks to reach out for TSRT involvement but received only one response out of the ten TS related sessions that were on the conference program.
   2. VE2025 TSRT sessions, discussion of any ideas for the future, what would you like to do for conferences, tables, poster sessions, etc. Let’s get excited for our August meeting where we will decide on some.
2. 2025 Discuss OLA sessions from TSRT members and interested parties
   1. Kristynn highlighted the fact that there were many TS sessions at OLA
      1. There was feedback to the Round Table concerning disappointment that many programs seemed to be at the same time in the program.
   2. There were lots more programs since expanding our working definition to also include systems and collection development
3. Future Conference Ideas: August Steering Committee meeting
   1. Historically, a retreat in Newport
      1. Bring ideas or send them to others on the Roundtable
      2. Kristynn will suggest that this be offered virtually, but there is no OWL on site
   2. Kristynn will bring some ideas to the meeting, but will have the incoming chair take on that meeting
4. TSRT website – Resources Page Update
   1. Resource page has been updated over the course of the year
      1. Heather hosted a session on memberclicks for Kristynn
   2. New pages have been marked as “new”
   3. Kristynn collaborated with Lisa Hauner to address some cataloging issues that were affecting Libros for OR
      1. Remember that TSRT helped create resource pages and revise the Libros website
      2. Added catalog records resources
      3. Check it out!!
   4. Libros for Oregon isn’t traveling to the book fair this year – could we find ways to collaborate with them while they’re on a travel pause?
      1. Opportunities to expand Spanish collection development, cataloging, promotion
      2. Share experiences/resources with folks who were able to travel to the bookfair this year?
5. Summer Fall Meeting – Schedule
6. OLA Board Leadership Retreat – TBA, TSRT outgoing Chair and TSRT incoming Chair will attend (or their proxies)
   1. Budgeting, intro to operations/organization, brainstorm conference sessions, other ideas. Forum for chairs to put forward initiatives for the year
      1. examples from 2024-2025
         1. Resource page completion
         2. New member recruitment push/announcement
7. TSRT Steering Committee meeting – will be set by incoming Chair, often after the OLA Board Leadership Retreat, August

**10:45-11:00 Task review and wrap-up Everyone**

1. RECRUITMENT
   1. Potential to collaborate more with Support Staff Division (SSD), who didn’t have a conference this year
      1. Support the division, grow our membership, create bridges to involvement for support staff, potentially increase our program offerings
   2. TSRT listserv
      1. Expand use?
      2. Do listserv users HAVE to be OLA/TSRT members?
2. Libros for Oregon cataloging
   1. Potential to help revise the pages TSRT did for Libros for Oregon cataloging resources, or create more new resources to offer there