TSRT Business Meeting

4/20/18

Eugene Hilton, 7:30am

In Attendance: Emily O’Neal, Damon Campbell, Kate Cleland-Sipfle, Jane Cothron, Bob Renfro, Mark Lindner, Amy Mihelich, Sara Rowland, Lori Robare, Heather Pitts

1. Introductions
   1. Next year, we are having a joint conference with the WLA. We’ll be suggesting programs and training opportunities for the conference and outside of it
2. Officers and Nominations
   1. Kate Cleland-Sipfle, Chair 2017-2018
   2. Emily O’Neal, Chair-elect, 2018-2019
   3. Damon Campbell, Secretary in year one of a two year term
   4. We need a nominee for the chair elect for 2018-2019?
      1. Amy Mihelich has volunteered
3. Volunteer needed for Conference Program Committee Representative
   1. Rachel Aranowitz would like to do this again if no one else wants to run for the position
      1. Rachel will continue in this role
         1. What’s involved: “First, I’m just one of the people that works on ranking all of the conference proposals. Then I become an advocate for the TSRT programs, because some people in the room won’t understand the language.”
            1. Neutrality turns into advocacy
4. Financial Update
   1. Major expense this year was the MarcEdit workshop with Terry Reese
      1. We needed 24 registrants to break even, and we had 27
      2. We are in good shape financially
   2. Start thinking about workshops for the fall – don’t be too concerned about cost at this point
5. Update on TSRT Sessions
   1. Highest scoring areas were to do with the preparation for the programs
   2. Low scores regarded the rooms
      1. The only unsatisfactory scores were the room categories
   3. Some folks got programming they weren’t expecting based on the limited blurbs and the amount of time we planned ahead for the sessions
      1. It would be nice to be able to edit the program titles, descriptions, and blurbs to give people a better sense of what to expect
      2. It would probably be worth sending fuller descriptions via a list (member list? Libs-OR?
      3. Is there a deadline for edits for the printed program? Feb-March?
   4. Suggestions for reading ahead would
   5. Kate will send out all of the evaluation comments later
      1. Lots of suggestions for programs are coming in from the evaluations
6. Updating TSRT website resources page
   1. Some of our web resources are a bit dated
   2. Kate has been looking into replacements, but realize that this might be a group conversation
   3. Jane Has a stack of old TSRT meeting minutes she can scan and upload
      1. Heather will work with Jane and will set up a google doc for collaboration
   4. TSRT Bylaws need to be inserted – right now, they’re just the OLA bylaws
7. Steering Committee 2018
   1. This is where we plan conference programs. Lots of brainstorming.
   2. Possible meeting dates:
      1. 8/20
      2. **8/24 – This is our date – Ashland, Eugene, and Bend are options. Virtual meetings are an option, but not optimal.**
         1. **Emily suggests Newport, and Jane will check on availability of space**
         2. **Damon doesn’t want Bend – Juniper allergies**
         3. **Update – Jane Cothron reserved a meeting room at the Newport Public Library for August 24, 2018, from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm.  That gives us from 10 to 3 for meeting (and if people want to bring or order lunches to be delivered, we could have a short lunch brea**k) – Thanks, Jane.
      3. 8/27
      4. 9/14
   3. early dates give us more time, but we can turn in a skeleton of a program and flesh it out later, though we need to be aware of deadlines, which may be earlier since it’s a joint conference
   4. an August date will give us more time to plan programs and give Rachel more time to advocate for their importance
   5. Co-sponsoring programs with one of WLAs groups might be advisable
      1. Find people to link with, do some legwork up front
   6. Do we have a tracker/chronology for our tasks leading up to our work?
      1. What do we need to turn in?
      2. When does it need to be turned in?
      3. Who do we turn it into?
      4. Who do we need to work with?
8. New Ideas
   1. Post deadlines on our conference site
      1. Especially now that programs don’t require sponsors, though sponsorships are still encouraged.
   2. Emily will be the TSRT liaison for *Libros for Oregon* (Guadalajara Book fair)