

In attendance : John Bradford, Lewis Day, Norman Eriksen, David Gray, Paul Higdon, Robin Imhof, Andy Johnson, Dustin Larmore, Holly Mercer, KR Roberto, John Sandstrom, Keith Trimmer, Cal Zunt.

Visitors reporting : Nancy Davenport, Jim Rettig.

1. Call to Order Norman Eriksen, Cal Zunt
The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by Co-Chair Norman Eriksen.
2. Introductions Norman Eriksen, Cal Zunt
Norman invited attendees to introduce themselves.
3. Approval of Agenda Norman Eriksen, Cal Zunt
4. Approval of Minutes Norman Eriksen, Cal Zunt
The minutes of Steering Committee 1 and 2 (prepared by former Secretary Andy Johnson) from New Ori.01 Tmewwe(e)4(c)4(r)-(y)20(6TJ 0a)(w)2(J(C)-7(o)-4(m6*bE)2(Mf)3(j)-6(C4o)-4(mpa

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Motion	John Sandstrom
Second	Holly Mercer
Pass	unanimous voice vote

5. Reports of Officers and Committee Chairs
Norman invited Officers and Co-Chairs to report on activities. Holly Mercer (External Relations) and Andy Johnson (planner of the Seattle Social) were invited to present first,

Linking to and from other websites. There has been interest expressed by other organizations to link to and from the GLBTRT website, and External Relations needs guidance for action. Cal asked if ALA has a policy about links to and from non-ALA websites, and Holly said she didn't know. KR mentioned ALA One Voice, John Sandstrom recommended checking with ALA. Cal said she would investigate and report to the Steering Committee mailing list.

Action Item 1

Investigate and report on ALA policy on website linking.

Cal Zunt

READ posters. Holly said the committee is interested in the production of READ

The Steering Committee e-mail list is working well.

- x At yesterday's Round Table Coordinating Assembly (attended by Norman and Cal Zunt) John Chaskra mentioned there is money available to promote membership (30 per cent of ALA personal members belong to one or more Round Tables; 70 per cent belong to one or more divisions). A visitor asked "What is a Round Table?" KR Roberto answered that a Round Table is an interest group, organized under ALA, which serves members and which has official representation within ALA. Cal added that much of the work recommended to groups in the Round Table Coordinating Assembly has already been

There is both a need for a slight redesign and reprinting of Stonewall Book Award cover labels. Bob Jaquay has the artwork and specifications and Robin will work with Bob and Pat Connolly at ALA to produce new labels (expected to cost \$200.00 for 900 labels).

Action Item 3

*Produce new Stonewall Book Awards
cover labels.*

Robin Imhof

Laura Clark (ALA Media Relations), has contacted Robin with regard to covering the awards. Relationships with ALA media seem to be quite good at present.

At this point, Robin's report was paused for a presentation by ALA Presidential candidate

Action Item 5

Produce brunch press release.

Holly Mercer

Motion 4

Creating three levels of sponsorship for GLBTRT brunch and programs, with complimentary tickets to the brunch in acknowledgment:

\$5,000.00 ... 8 tickets;

\$2,500.00 ... 4 tickets;

\$1,000.00 ... 2 tickets.

Motion	Lewis Day
Second	David Gray
Pass	unanimous voice vote

David gave a word of acknowledgment and thanks to his predecessor, Jim Simonis.

The end of the scheduled meeting time was reached and Norman entertained a motion to extend the meeting.

Motion 5

Extending the meeting time by 15 minutes; starting the All Committee meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Motion	Norman Eriksen
Second	John Bradford
Pass	unanimous voice vote

8. Old Business

Final status of Read-Aloud

9. New Business

Proposal for new committees

x Legislative and Advocacy

Larry Romans

x Bylaws and Policies

Lewis Day

Motion 6

Deferring agenda items to the SC2 meeting.

Motion John Sandstrom

Second Paul Higdon

Pass unanimous voice vote

Norman entertained a motion to adjourn.

Motion 7

Motion to adjourn.

Motion Cal Zunt

Second Dustin Larmore

Pass unanimous voice vote

The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

Addendum

Visit to the GLBTRT Steering Committee 1 meeting by ALA Presidential candidates Jim Rettig and Nancy Davenport.

Jim Rettig

Jim Rettig arrived during the Book Awards Committee report by Robin Imhof.

Jim began by saying what an important part of ALA the GLBTRT is, and that he is a member of the RT.

He said he feels three current strengths of the association are:

- x advocacy for libraries and librarians;
- x legislative relations;
- x intellectual freedom.

He contrasted those strengths with areas of challenge:

- x the departure of significant numbers of 25-44 year-old librarians, representing a brain- and talent-drain on the profession (he mentioned technological innovation, and, specifically, publishing blogs; he advocated boldness in vision and action in discovering ALA's place in this movement, and as a way of retaining technologically savvy young librarians);
- x diversity and the continuing struggle for the profession to more fully represent the population;
- x ALA/APA, and the need to full-fund APA to fulfill its mission.

Nancy Davenport

Nancy Davenport arrived during the Brunch Planning Committee report by John Sandstrom.

Nancy said it was "important for you to know I am an inclusive person," and that she wants that to be both known and seen.

KR Roberto asked Nancy about her involvement with GLBT issues; Nancy replied that as a supervisor, colleague and mentor she is explicitly fair; on a personal level, she has friends in every walk of life.

Cal raised the issue of ALA's Spectrum Scholars' program being a tool for racial/ethnic diversity, but not for diversity outside those confines (e.g. GLBT representation); Nancy replied that one solution would be for the GLBTRT to raise funds and create essentially a parallel program.