



## **Michigan Community Board Meeting**

**12PM Thursday, August 27, 2020**

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://msu.zoom.us/j/96520739808>; Passcode: slami

**Meeting called to order: 12:00 pm (Dee / Sheila)**

**Attendees:** Eric Tans (President); Alexandra Hauser (Program Chair and President Elect); Sheila J. Bryant (Past President); Caryn Noel (Secretary). Committee members: Mary Catherine Moeller; Danguole Kviklys; Laura Walesby

**Excused:** Elizabeth Downie; Edward Dunne (Treasurer); Anne Herron (Director); Joel Scheuher; Jennifer Zimmer

**Meeting Secretary:** Caryn Noel

### **AGENDA**

- **2020 Programming Report (Alex Hauser & Eric Tans)**

- a. **Midwest Regional Symposium –**

- The symposium went well and had good attendance. Alex presented on reflective practice. There is currently a survey out to capture attendee's viewpoints.

- b. **SLA Michigan webinar series – status update**

- To date, there are no submissions yet for the webinar series. Eric has sent the call out to several list serves as had others. Both Eric and Alex received some interest, but that did not lead to a submission. The deadline for submission is August 31, which is Monday. Discussion included theming the series, and creating a slate of webinars on our own after the deadline if there are no submissions. Perhaps folks chose to present online or not at all in this new environment.

- c. **Community Zoom Check-Ins**

- i. June 26, 2pm Meeting Results – (3 - 4 guests)
    - ii. July 21, 11am Meeting Results – Re-opening (6 – 7 guests)
    - iii. August 26, 5pm Happy Hour – Re-opening (6 – 7 guests)

- iv. Proposed joint Happy Hour with MichALL (Michigan Association of Law Libraries)

This Happy Hour is planned for September 17 @ 5:00 pm. Eric invites and encourages the Board to participate as this is the first co-op happy hour with MichALL!

- **Outreach Committee Update** (Laura Walesby)

- a. **Dream Jobs Panel**

As of this meeting, there are 326 participants registered. Laura will moderate this event.

- b. **Mentoring Initiative**

Mary Catherine & Elizabeth are partners in the mentoring initiative (UM, WSU). It was noted that Anne could be a beneficial connection as she is an employer and an alum from WSU. Laura mentioned the report from SLA regarding group mentoring. Depending on SLA's progress, we could utilize their work, if it is not too cumbersome.

Dee had a question about employment in general. Are folks losing or gaining jobs? The consensus was that it was unknown. There are a lot of jobs out there – on the SLA website – but not a lot of “L word” positions. There is the opportunity for a webinar panel for just Michigan.

- c. **Plan for future programming**

Kim Dority, who runs her own placement firm, is a possible speaker on the topic of the change in the profession.

- **SLA Board** (Eric Tans)

- a. Liaison Elaine Lasda – meeting recap

Elaine was a very receptive, very personable Board liaison. Everyone that had the opportunity to speak with her felt welcomed and comfortable speaking with her. Eric mentioned that he wished he had known (or had a connection with) a Board liaison when he was just starting at SLA.

- **Meeting minutes on SLA Connect** (Eric Tans)

- a. Follow up - Minutes posted through 2019

Alex has posted minutes through 2019. Caryn will send 2020 minutes to Jennifer for posting.

- b. Archives – Sheila's contact at the Detroit Public Library will touch back later this week. Dee will share files with Caryn and Sheila.

- **Other business –**

**Discussion about some themes for the Michigan webinar series:**

- a. Environmental Data
  - b. Sustainability (Files)
  - c. Coronavirus Data
  - d. Climate Crisis

**Succession:** Best practices manual (by-laws) need to be updated for communities. Rather than wait for this, Eric should discuss succession plan with Anne Herron, Director. New members should be in place no later than January 1, 2021. When should call occur? Eric will email Anne for further direction.

- **Adjourn Dee motioned / Alex was the second. Meeting adjourned @ 12:37 pm.**