

CoALA Business Meeting Minutes

CAL Conference 2008

November 8, 2008

In attendance: Jan Loechell Turner, Christina Martinez, Lisa Grabowski, Simone Groene-Sackett, Paul Betty, Jeff Holstein, Kathleen R. Jones, Laura Cullerton, Carl Stewart, Jayati Chaudhuri, Krystyna Mrozek, Beverly Moure, Rebecca Perna Loughlin, Daryle Schneider, Lorrie Evans, Louise Treff-Gangler, Martin Garnar, Joan Lamborn, Annie Epperson, Lyda Ellis, Clara Burns, Robin Dean, Jessica King, Ben Wakashige, Helen Reed.

I. Pam Blome (Chair) introduces the new CoALA 2009 board:

Pam Blome, Chair

Monograph Catalog Librarian, Colorado School of Mines

Paul Betty, Vice Chair/Chair-Elect

Distance Learning Librarian, Regis University

Jan Loechell Turner, Past Chair/ACRL Liaison

Reference & Instruction Librarian, Associate Professor, Regis University

Robin Dean, Secretary

Records Assistant, University of Denver

Jayati Chaudhuri, Member at Large

Science Reference Librarian, Assistant Professor, University of Northern Colorado

Lorrie Evans, Member at Large

Head of Library Instruction, Auraria Library

Jeff Holstein, Community College Representative

Red Rocks Community College Library

Lyda Ellis, ACRL Legislative Committee Liaison

Instruction Librarian, University of Northern Colorado

Legislative committee representatives to the Colorado Association of Libraries:

Louise Treff-Gangler

Head, Reference, Instruction and Government Publications, Auraria Library

Lyda Ellis

Instruction Librarian, University of Northern Colorado

II. Introductions

III. New CoALA logo

Thanks to Cynthia Hardey, the graphic artist, for the excellent logo.

IV. Peer-Reviewed Presentations at CAL

- A. Thanks to the peer-review committee: Ellen Greenblatt (Auraria), Sylvia Hall-Ellis (DU), and Susan Byerley (Colorado College).
- B. Peer-reviewed programs presented this year:
 - a. Women's Ways of Information Seeking: Exploring a Feminist Approach to Providing Information Services. Presented by Beth Strickland, UC – Boulder
 - b. The Relationship Between School Culture and an Effective School Library Program: Four Case Studies. Presented by Jody Howard, University of Denver.
- C. CoALA will do another call for papers and call for volunteers for the peer-review committee for next year's conference. Look for it on the listservs.
- D. Pam: Peer-reviewed papers raise the profile of CAL as a conference that matters. CoALA members should also consider publishing peer-reviewed articles in *Colorado Libraries*. Sandra Mackey from DU is editor of the peer-reviewed section of *Colorado Libraries*.

V. CALC Summit

CoALA co-sponsored the CALC Summit 2008 on May 23 with CALC and CLiC. It was a great success. Julie Todaro, president of ACRL, was the keynote speaker at the luncheon sponsored by CoALA.

The CALC Summit takes place in alternate years when the ACRL conference isn't taking place. The past two years were an exception (there were 2 CALC conferences in a row). There will be no CALC Summit in Spring 2009, but there will be a spring workshop for academic librarians instead.

VI. Brainstorming for the Spring Workshop

- A. Pam Blome is investigating collaboration with the Technical Services Automation Group (TSAD) for the spring workshop, possibly to be held at Auraria.
- B. Speaker Series -- Who do we want? How do we get them? Send your ideas to CoALA.
- C. Scheduling/Logistics
 - Workshops should be a half day on Friday to allow travel time for people around the state. Or, consider an evening/after-work event so people don't have to take vacation time. Another way to involve people from different regions of the state is to hold events online or have the event in four different locations around the state. Regis possibly has a solution for remote/online conferencing.

VII. Announcements

- A. Louise – The Legislative Committee met yesterday. Handouts of the 2008 Legislative Agenda were distributed about key and ongoing issues to support. The main issue for 2008 was supporting the restoration of \$2 million of state grants to libraries.
- B. Paul B. will be the guest editor of the upcoming issue of *Colorado Libraries*. The theme is “The Future of Colorado Reference.” Submit proposals by Dec 1—you only need 1-2 paragraphs describing an article on reference/instruction or new initiatives. If your article is research-related, it may be passed on to the peer review committee. Deadline for articles is Jan 15.
- C. Jody Howard (CAL 2009 President) stopped by to thank CoALA for selecting her presentation for one of the peer-reviewed slots, and to thank Martin Garnar for his service as CAL President 2008. Please contact Jody as CAL president this year with any questions/concerns/suggestions.
- D. It's time for Academic Libraries to nominate another president for CAL this year. Special Libraries have passed on their turn for selection this year. Call for nominations will go out Summer 2009.

VIII. Budget

A. Spring Workshops

CoALA may have to pay speakers—we need to put that in the budget if so. Workshops need to at least break even, and will hopefully make money; they usually generate a little income for the association. We should consider choosing a “local celebrity” as a keynote speaker, such as Camila Alire. CoALA members shouldn't take compensation for speaking at the spring workshops. Send ideas for presenters before next meeting (within next month or so).

B. Fundraising with CafePress

Consider putting items with the new CoALA logo on CafePress; could be sold at spring workshops as a low-cost fundraiser for the association. Kathleen Nolan at CAL would be able to help us with that. Pam will follow up.

IX. CAL 2009

The theme for next year's CAL is “Avenues for the Future.” CoALA members should start thinking about next year's CAL—we need more academic programs, even if they aren't peer reviewed. It's our responsibility to submit them to the program committee.

The peer review committee was a pilot this year. We would like to continue it, and assure some continuity and keep the momentum. Should we retain the old committee members and/or add new ones?

CoALA would like to thank the CAL Program committee for introducing and continuing the peer-reviewed papers track at CAL. We should also continue the practice that papers not chosen for peer review should be entered into the regular selection process. Jen Cotton is head of the CAL conference program committee again next year. CoALA members are strongly encouraged to volunteer for the program committee to make sure that academic interests are represented. There does seem to be demand for academic programs at CAL. Next year, we would like to improve scheduling so there are fewer academic programs all in the same time slot.