**NOCALL Business Meeting**

Marines Memorial Club

San Francisco, CA

May 18, 2016
**PROPOSED MINUTES**

President Michael Ginsborg called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Secretary Mary Johnson presented proposed minutes for the January 19, 2017, Business Meeting. Jean Willis moved to approve proposed minutes, Coral Henning seconded the motion. The minutes were adopted as written.

**PRELIMINARY BUSINESS**

President Michael Ginsborg acknowledged Thomson Reuters for their generous sponsorship of both the Spring Institute and the May Business Meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1.** [**Proposals**](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0Bwi6up6paWBUaG9EaTlEelcxZGc) **to amend the** [**NOCALL Constitution**](https://nocalltechnology.files.wordpress.com/2012/02/constitution2015.doc)Chuck Marcus, Chair of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, presented two proposals to the members for approval:

1. Amendment of NOCALL Constitution Art. IX to add “gender identity” to the antidiscrimination article. This proposal was approved by a unanimous vote of all members in attendance.
2. Amendment of NOCALL Constitution Art. V, Sec. 4, to modify succession procedures in the event of a vacancy in the office of President. This proposal was approved by a unanimous vote of all members in attendance.

**2. Proposed** [**Resolution on Executive Order 13769 and NOCALL’s Core Values**](https://drive.google.com/open?id=1UA4YJgVwDv3fU_FNJgw1N4_r0ua94cHYTxZiJJvgjt0)

Michael Ginsborg presented a proposed resolution of NOCALL’s support of AALL’s position statement on Executive Order 13769. The resolution was adopted by a vote of all members in attendance.

**3. First round of voting for the NOCALL mascot**

At the 2016 AALL Annual Meeting, MAALL challenged NOCALL to select a mascot. To meet this challenge, a NOCALL Mascot Task Force was created, and a list of mascot candidates was crowdsourced from our members.

Mascot selection will take place in two steps. The first vote will whittle down the list of candidates to the top three contenders. These three will appear on the Executive Board ballot in March. The ballot will also include an option to vote for/against having a mascot at all.

The first-round candidates presented were:

* Owl of Athena
* Marian the Otter
* Bob Bearing
* Bulldog
* Sea Otter
* Red-Tailed Hawk
* Mission Blue Butterfly
* Book truck
* Doc the Golden Retriever
* Dudley and Steven the Sea Lions
* Goldie the Golden State Retriever
* Hedgehog
* Giraffe

April Eudy conducted a vote of all members present, with members clapping for their favorite candidates. David Holt officially determined which three candidates received the loudest applause. The three candidates moving on to the next round are Bob Bearing, Bulldog, and Red-Tailed Hawk.

**4. Treasurer’s report**

Treasurer Coral Henning presented a spreadsheet showing NOCALL’s current finances. We have been very frugal over the past two years, and it has paid off. We have over $44,000 in the treasury.

**5. Committee reports**

1. ***2017 Spring Institute***
The Spring Institute was held April 1 at UC Davis, which was a great venue. The theme was California Regulations. Overall, the response from attendees was very positive. Thanks to generous sponsorship from Lexis, Thomson Reuters and CEB, and a $2500 Bloomberg/AALL grant, the institute was financially successful.
2. ***2018 Spring Institute***David Holt reported that he has tentatively decided on Advocacy as the theme for the 2018 Spring Institute. He has contacted a librarian advocacy organization, EveryLibrarian, about participating. He hopes to have EveryLibrarian provide the morning session, and then have three tracks in the afternoon, covering legislative advocacy, advocating the library’s value to the parent organization, and advocating for librarians’ involvement in skills training.
3. ***Membership & Technology Committees***David Holt reported that the Technology Committee has substantially reduced the amount spent on our website by moving it from wordpress.com to the Amazon cloud. David and Website Administrator Julie Horst have recently finished a complete redesign of the NOCALL website, to make it more modern and functional.

The Membership Committee is now using Wild Apricot to handle membership registration and online registration for NOCALL events. The switch from Memberclicks to Wild Apricot is saving NOCALL approximately $1700 per year.

1. ***Education Committee***The Education Committee is in the black this year. Thanks to CEB’s sponsorship, the Fall Workshop netted a profit of $683. Holly Riccio expressed her thanks to the committee members for their work in putting together a great workshop. Holly is looking for a replacement chair for the committee. She will stay on as a committee member to assist the new chair.
2. ***Placement Committee***Leslie Hesdorfer reported on behalf of the Placement Committee that they have been very busy posting positions – seven were posted in April.
3. ***Grants***Cathy Hardy announced Ramona Martinez was awarded a grant to attend the AALL Annual Meeting.

1. ***Public Access (renamed: “Access to Justice”)***Michael Ginsborg will resume chairing this committee. He hopes to launch an initiative that matches our members’ skills with the needs of advocacy organizations. If this project does not come to fruition in the next year this committee will be sunsetted.
2. ***Community Service***
Michael Ginsborg reported that Monica Stam has agreed to chair this committee. She is reviewing what we have done in the past, and is looking for other opportunities for NOCALL members to provide community service. She welcomes any recommendations.
3. ***Public Relations***
Michael Ginsborg reported that committee chair Emily Bergfield would welcome submissions for articles to appear in the *Daily Journal.*

**6. Crossover meeting**Ramona Martinez will soon send out a Doodle poll to determine the date and location of the June crossover meeting.

**7. AALL Annual Meeting announcements**

1. ***Programs involving NOCALL members***
Jeremy Sullivan is chairing the PLLIP Summit. He will also be moderating a panel discussion at the AALL Meeting, “It’s 9 am in Beijing, who can help me with my research?” Denise Pagh has been a member of the PLLIP Summit Planning Committee.
2. ***Joint Chapters Reception in Austin***
Ellen Platt reported that she is having trouble finding a venue near the Austin convention center that can host 75 people for a sit-down dinner. The reception may need to be an event with drink tickets and appetizers instead.
3. ***NOCALL Social***April Eudy is planning the NOCALL Social at the AALL Annual Meeting, to be held Tuesday evening. She has tentatively selected the Cedar Door Grill as the location for this event.

***8. AALL Awards***

1. ***2017 AALL Chapter Professional Development award.***
Michael Ginsborg offered congratulations to the Education Committee, including Chair Holly Riccio and Committee members Maureen Moran, Julie Horst, David Holt, and Jessica Brasch, for receiving the 2017 AALL Chapter Professional Development award for the Fall Workshop.
2. ***Funding Research Opportunities Grant***Sarah Lin has received a grant to pursue “Ellen’s List,” a project that would allow for the donation of deaccessioned materials to county law libraries in need. With this project, Sarah will assess the needs of county law libraries and determine how other libraries can support them. She hopes to develop an online venue for matching needs with available materials

**9. NOCALL Awards**

Ellen Platt presented the awards, and shared the following comments.

***Coral Henning, recipient of the NOCALL Professional Achievement Award***

This Award recognizes a NOCALL member for notable and enduring contributions to the Chapter and the profession. It represents a cumulative evaluation of an individual’s career and emphasizes local activity and leadership of an exemplary nature.

Coral has been an active and influential member of NOCALL since the 90s. In addition to years of committee service, most notably as Chair of Public Access, Public Relations and Nominations, and a number of Spring Institute planning committees, she has been our leader. She served as President in 2007/08, as a Board Member in 2002/03 and is just ending a super-sized term as NOCALL Treasurer where she was integral to implementing more stringent processes for managing NOCALL’s finances.

In addition to her day job and prolific involvement with NOCALL Coral is also actively involved with the California Council of County Law Libraries, where she has also served on the Board, chaired committees, advocated for access to justice, and mentored other members.

She has been an active member of AALL, serving on national committees and in leadership positions in the Gov’t Law Libraries SIS.

Throughout her career she has been dedicated to planning and presenting information about libraries and legal materials to her colleagues, other librarians, legal professionals and the public. Her activities have ranged from presentations at AALL and California Library meetings, to a sustained initiative to create the Civil Self Help Center. Under her leadership the Sacramento County Public Law Library offers a broad range of classes for public patrons, paralegals and law office staff, state and local agency staff and MCLE programs for attorneys.

Coral definitely deserves many accolades and much acknowledgement for her stellar professional achievements across the arc of her career, I can think of no one more deserving.

***Judy Janes -- recipient of the NOCALL Advocacy Award (David McFadden to accept the award on Judy’s behalf.)***

The purpose of the Advocacy Award is to recognize notable and enduring contributions affecting law librarians, law libraries, and legal information patrons everywhere.  It represents NOCALL’s appreciation and encouragement to continue these valuable advocacy contributions.

Judy’s advocacy is not a recent phenomenon. In 1996 she was a member of the NOCALL/SCALL Gov’t Relations team which worked to pass SB 1507, and ensure that legislative records and agency rulemaking files would be retained, preserved and made publicly available at the California State Archives.

Both SCALL and NOCALL received an AALL Presidential Certificate of Merit in July 1997 for their efforts.

In 2012, Judy was part of the California UELMA team that worked with the California Legislative Counsel, Diane Boyer-Vine, to help enact S.B. 1075. The Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act (UELMA) addresses the concerns posed by online publication of state primary legal material.

Her article “Why States Should Adopt UELMA”, appeared in the AALL SPECTRUM ONLINE, and was widely quoted and noted. She attended committee hearings as UELMA wound its way through the legislature, and testified in support of UELMA at these hearings.

In 2015, our UELMA team members received the AALL Robert L. Oakley Advocacy Award. Diane Boyer-Vine, California Legislative Counsel, sent the following statement to AALL:

 “I hope you will agree with me that Judy’s past – and ongoing – work in legislative advocacy are significant contributions that have furthered and enhanced NOCALL’s reputation for the support of access to government information.”

**10. Swearing in of NOCALL Officers**

Incoming board members were sworn in: Ramona Martinez, President; David Holt, Vice-President/President-Elect; Coral Henning, Treasurer; Sarah Lin, Member At-Large; Cindy Beck Weller, Member At-Large; Michael Ginsborg, Past President. Incoming Secretary Jodi Collova was not present; a special resolution was adopted by Board recognizing Jodi as Secretary effective June 1st, until she can be sworn in at the next opportunity.

**11. Closing comments**
Past President Michael Ginsborg expressed his gratitude to NOCALL members, particularly those who assisted him during his terms. He then passed the gavel to President Ramona Martinez and rang the NOCALL cable car bell.

**12. Presentation of plaque to Past President Michael Ginsborg**

Ellen Platt presented Past President Michael Ginsborg with a plaque, and shared the following comments:

With the passing of the gavel we, all NOCALL members and past and present Board members, are pleased to recognize your year as NOCALL President by presenting this plaque.

The Presidential year is the most active year of a three year term of office where members put the responsibility of assuring the continued well-being and forward momentum of NOCALL in the hands of a trusted member.

Under your guidance and with the support of the current Board and Committee Chairs, you have left NOCALL invigorated and in a more firm financial position.

Thank you for your service!

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Johnson

NOCALL Secretary