

October 2014 DC/SLA President's Report

Annual Report

I'm preparing for the annual report which is due December 1. This is one of the reports required to receive our allotment. I already know there are questions I'm going to need the board's help with and I've included them with my report below. I'm also emailing the full report form to the board and uploading it to the wiki. Please send me your feedback by ASAP if you haven't already. I'll be creating a form for the committee heads to complete so they can provide us with additional information.

President-Elect Visit

SLA President-Elect Jill Strand visited the area September `16-17 and spoke at our the Chapter Open House Volunteer appreciation event. I hosted her on tours to the Department of Commerce Research Library and Federal Reserve Board of Governors. She was impressed with the tours and with how huge a turn out we had at the Open House!

Awards

Who submits awards for the SLA Awards? My first two years on the board the Awards Committee would discuss and then present their recommendations to the board and then put a package together. But I haven't seen the awards committee do the last couple of years. Maybe we want a separate committee to head this or maybe the board itself? However we got about it we need to make sure we have a process firmly in place and it's followed consistently. As it is right now it's likely someone could be nominated for an SLA award and not be on the board's radar. This could lead to missing an opportunity to nominate someone outstanding to the future board.

SLA Reception

New England backed out this week because they couldn't find any cosponsors. They said they would sign back on if we recreated cosponsors

What's Your Theme Blog

As of this moment I don't have any posts in the queue or any firmly lined up. Please if you haven't already send me a theme post. We're so close to being done!

Questions I need help with for the annual Report

11. What was the maximum amount you budgeted for all leadership travel in 2013? If you do NOT have a budget, what was the total amount your unit actually paid for all leadership travel in 2013? (Please note this is a total figure for ALL travel, not PER traveler) **Ramona**
13. How often does your Chapter conduct a survey of member needs & expectations? **Marie and James**
15. Does your Chapter have a membership recruitment plan? **Alicia**
16. and 17. And 18. Does your Chapter use any of the following techniques or products to recruit or retain members? **Alicia**
19. If you offer any special benefits for Chapter membership, beyond SLA's regular benefits, please describe. Examples might include discounts on products or services, lower fees for participation in collaborative events. **Everyone**
24. If your Chapter offered a Listserv (Discussion Group) in 2013, were new and renewed members automatically subscribed to it? **James and Greta**
25. Did your Chapter offer a LinkedIn group during 2013? Was it for members only? **Lisa**
27. Did your Chapter provide a job posting service during 2013? **Laura Choyce**
31. If your Chapter published a Newsletter or Bulletin in 2013, how many issues were published? **Lisa**
34. Is your Chapter exploring any other technologies to support Chapter activities? **James**
- 37 – 44. All programming questions **Deena**
46. Does your Chapter have an investment policy? **Ramona**
51. Considering support from business partners, earnings from fee based programming, your allotment, and any other sources of income available, was your Chapter able to break even on overall Chapter expenses in 2013? **Ramona**
54. Where does your Chapter store its digital Archives? **James and Stacy**
55. If your Chapter stores your archives in a location not provided by SLA, is there assigned archives agreement? **James and Stacy**
60. What are you proudest of your Chapter for accomplishing in 2013? Please describe up to 3 things: **Everyone**
61. What do you think are the greatest threats to your Chapter's success in the next year? Please describe up to 3 things: **Everyone**

63. Is there anything the SLA Board or Staff could do to help support your Chapter that you haven't mentioned previously in this survey? **Everyone**