
Minutes from the 2012 Conference Business Meeting

Sheraton Music City, Nashville, TN

June 8, 2012

Shadle called the meeting to order at 3:19 p.m. Shadle introduced the current (2011/2012) NASIG Executive Board:

President: Steve Shadle  
Vice President/President-Elect: Bob Boissy  
Past President: Katy Ginanni  
Secretary: Carol Ann Borchert  
Treasurer: Lisa Blackwell  
Treasurer-Elect: Jennifer Arnold  
Members at Large: Patrick Carr, Clint Chamberlain, Stephen Clark, Buddy Pennington, Jenni Wilson, Allyson Zellner

Highlights from the Past Year (Presented by Steve Shadle)

- NASIG is financially sound, and Shadle wanted to especially thank Lisa Blackwell, the outgoing Treasurer, for her work. Our current account balances total $542,000 versus $503,000 this time last year.
- There has been an increase of 5% in personal memberships since this time last year, with 690 members this year compared to 660 last year.
- Organizational memberships have increased from 1 to 5 members. Our current organizational members are de Gruyter, EBSCO, Rockefeller University Press, Swets, and Taylor & Francis.
- This year, there were some changes in the structure of the conference. Tactics and strategy sessions have become just program sessions, rather than three separate types of sessions (tactics, strategy, and vision), with varying timeslots. This simplifies programming and speaker compensation. The Board would like to hear feedback regarding this change on the evaluations.
- This year, for the first time, NASIG has offered a reduced registration rate for one attendee from each vendor exhibitor.
- We have instituted use of Google Calendar to facilitate conference scheduling.
- NASIG continues to enjoy support from vendor exhibitors. Thank you to Katy Ginanni for her avid sponsorship work.
- Anne McKee has been appointed as the new conference coordinator.
- The Conference Proceedings contract with Taylor & Francis has been renewed for 3 more years, and it will include a 20% increase in the payment to NASIG, plus travel stipends for the editors traveling to the conference. We continue to have the $25 personal subscription to Serials Review. Members will now be able to link directly to Serials Librarian from the NASIG site which will give us access back to the first conference proceedings.
- The Continuing Education Committee has been busy this year, and they have presented the first NASIG webinar. The webinar was a program by Jill Grogg, Beth Ashmore and Sara Morris regarding negotiation and the idea came from their successful program at the 2011 NASIG conference in St. Louis. There were 54 registrants for a total of $3805 in
registration income. The webinar software cost a bit over $1500, so this favorably-evaluated webinar provided a tidy profit for us. We hope to make the webinars quarterly. Some of the program ideas come from ideas submitted to PPC that were particularly successful programs or were not included in the conference program. We encourage people to submit webinar ideas.

- NASIG continues to sponsor outside events. This year, we sponsored five conferences: Great Lakes E-Summit (which was a first-time conference), Mid-South E-Resources Symposium, North Carolina Serials Conference, Ohio Valley Group of Technical Services Librarians, and E-Resources & Libraries. In most cases, we were able to negotiate a reduced registration rate for NASIG members.
- We have removed the discussion forums from the website, and NASIG-L is back. ECC continues to post items of interest to Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, and the NASIG blog.
- Shadle negotiated a reduced rate for UKSG eNews.
- We’ll be discussing the work of the Core Competencies Task force later this afternoon. This can serve as a framework for other activities such as publications and continuing education. It could also potentially affect Publications, CEC, and Bylaws.

Secretary’s Report (Presented by Carol Ann Borchert)

The Board has been discussing software needs for NASIG. The ArcStone features are not always the best choice for us for specific tasks. The Board voted to test RegOnline (http://www.regonline.com) for a webinar, to see if we want to use this software in place of ArcStone’s registration software for the 2013 conference.

This brings up the issue that we need to review all of our system needs and what system(s) will serve us best. Board Liaisons will be asking committees what functions each group needs in the various activities that we do (conference planning, program planning, member registration, proceedings publication, elections, listserv management, archiving, etc.).

Falling along these same lines, PPC suggested creating wikis for the conference manuals rather than static .pdf files. A wiki model would be easier to update as committees went along, and it might facilitate sharing information among committees, such as CPC, PPC, PPR and the Past President. The ECC wiki from pbwiki is publicly available, so we need to be careful about what information is stored in a wiki. In particular, the CPC manual should not be available publicly.

Treasurer’s Report (Presented by Lisa Blackwell)

- NASIG is holding even on investment funds and hoping to grow as the economy grows.
- Account balances total $542,000 versus $503,000 at this point last year.
- Ginanni raised $39,250 in sponsorships, plus an additional $6,000 in organizational memberships. Ginanni was out until the last minute bringing in money.
- Committee budgets are on track, and details are available on the website.
- Blackwell encouraged people to apply for Treasurer, and thanked everyone for their support over the past year.

Introduction to the 2012-2013 Board (Presented by Pam Cipkowski and Christine Radcliff, Nominations & Elections Committee Co-Chairs)

The 2012/2013 Board:

President: Bob Boissy
Vice President/President-Elect: Joyce Tenney
Past President: Steve Shadle
Secretary: Shana McDanold
Treasurer: Jennifer Arnold
Members at Large: Chris Brady, Patrick Carr, Stephen Clark, Tim Hagan, Selden Lamoureux, Allyson Zellner

Recognition of Outgoing Board Members and Committee Chairs (Presented by Jessica Ireland and Sandy Folsom, Awards & Recognition Committee Co-Chairs)

Ireland recognized the following outgoing committee chairs for their outstanding service:

- Conference Planning: Ann Ercelawn and Beverly Geckle
- Registrar: Kevin Furniss
- Continuing Education: Apryl Price
Discussion of Old Business (Presented by Steve Shadle)

There was no old business.

Call for New Business (Presented by Steve Shadle)

There was no new business.

The meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by

Carol Ann Borchert, Secretary, NASIG Executive Board
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