

**Mid-America Law Library Consortium
Meeting Minutes**

January 8, 2009-San Diego, CA(AALS)

PRESENT: Mark Bernstein (Saint Louis); Randy Diamond (Missouri-Columbia); John Edwards (Drake); John Austin (Northern Illinois); Darin Fox (Oklahoma); Rhonda Schwartz (North Dakota); John Christensen (Washburn); Paul Callister (UMKC); Kay Andrus (Creighton); Doug Lind (Southern Illinois); Richard Leiter (Nebraska)

ABSENT: Arkansas-Fayetteville, UALR, Kansas, Washington University, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, South Dakota

1. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by President Darin Fox at 2:30 P.M. at the California Western School of Law.
2. **Approval of Minutes-**Minutes of the July 2008 AALL meeting in Portland were approved.
3. **Treasurer=s Report-** A report was distributed by Randy Diamond, Treasurer. The balance as of January 1, 2009 is \$45,893.49
4. **Interim Executive Director's Report-** Copies of Susan Goldner's report were distributed. The primary recommendations were: hire an Executive Director, enhance the web site, expand projects to include all librarians, not just directors, increase cooperative purchasing, and expand communications. Further details are available in the report. A motion was passed unanimously to thank Susan for her work as interim director and a letter will be sent to June Stewart acknowledging this.
5. **Nominating Committee-**Doug Lind has been nominated to complete Mark Bernstein's term as secretary through October. The election will take place at the MAALL meeting in October.
6. **Project Updates-**
 - a. Hear Me-will continue; MALL \$475. This cost will allow sharing with MAALL.
 - b. Collection Analysis-Paul Callister suggested that focus be placed on Foreign and International Law. A sub-committee could be set up to look at cooperative collection in this area.
 - c. Renewals will be going out for Oxford and Lexis subscribers.

- d. 100% of all members turned in their ABA statistics timely.
- e. Randy Diamond reported on sponsoring an SSRN journal on legal research and law libraries.
- f. Projects for the new executive director were discussed including a survey of all members on major cancellations.

7. Announcements

It was announced that John Hagemann will be retiring as Law Librarian at the University of South Dakota. Mark Bernstein thanked everyone for his time in MALLCO as he announced he will be leaving to be the Director at Drexel University School of Law.

8. Next meetings

Hear Me meeting will be scheduled for sometime in the spring (likely April)
AALL in Washington, DC Saturday July 25, 2009 (4 P.M)
MAALL in Columbia, MO October 15-17 2009

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Bernstein, Secretary