

ACLS Board Meeting

April 9, 2024 Agenda

Present:George Hoelzman (President), Gale Francione (Secretary)
Martin DeSapio (Acting Treasurer),Board Members:Peggy Parker, Scott ParsonsCommittee Liaison:Marilyn MorganAbsent:Jay Carpenter, Sarah Hempel Irani

1. In Memoriam

George reported the sad news of Loretta Reif's passing. He had hoped to have the information distributed to the membership, but can't yet post through MailPoet..

2. Approve Minutes

Minutes were approved (Peggy/George). GALE will post March Minutes to the website.

3. Approve Treasurer Report

The Treasurer's report was approved (Peggy/Scott). George has invited several people to consider taking on the position of Treasurer. Martin has agreed to stay in the position until his replacement is found.

4. Webinar

Marilyn reports that the next webinar features Paul Barribeau. May will be the ACLS Showcase "Thresholds." The committee is working on 2025.

5. Elections

GEORGE will publish information on the candidates for re-election by April 30.

[From February's Minutes] Jay and Peggy are willing to commit to a second term. **MARILYN** will send a note to the members, asking for anyone interested in becoming a Board member. If so, a ballot and election will take place before June. If not, Jay and Peggy will take their second term.

6. Mentoring

Marilyn spoke to some of the folks on the webinar committee for feedback on the idea. Some good ideas emerged.

- A group of members from different fields invited to be together for a year as a mentoring group.

- As a group with mentees, they share advice and information.

- Create and share a reading list.

- See a webinar together, then meet for reflection and discussion. Use webinar as content and discussion-starters.

- View an on-line worship service and discuss it with the group. Two interested in being mentees are Taylor Baca and Brian Foust.

GEORGE and MARILYN will work up an email, to send out to possible mentor/mentees.

- 7. Membership nothing to report.
- 8. Communication

<u>Marilyn</u> recommended the newsletter (or website) include a small section" Doing Good Work" to highlight people we have used, even if they are not members. Members submit suggestions.

Sarah is working on Facebook.

<u>Scott</u> is working on our Google Workspace. It will be a central "location" for all our work to be done and stored. We can share calendars, documents, Google drive storage, video, chat, spreadsheets, etc. The first step is for everybody to create their accounts. This can be done at "<u>accounts.google.com</u>"

It was agreed that our Board Meetings we have a mini-tutorial.

SCOTT will prepare a short tutorial on Google Workspace for the May meeting.

9. Retreat

Peggy and Gale presented a tentative plan for housing and speakers for the 2025 Retreat. The potential dates would be a weekend in June, 2025. American University can provide affordable housing and meals, which need to be finalized. Peggy and Scott each know a staff member at the Holocaust Museum and the Museum of the American Indian, and think they may be open to conducting a tour and facilitating our discussion afterwards.

The Board was enthusiastic about the possibilities for this Retreat. **GALE** will ask Jay and Sarah if these dates will work for them. **SCOTT and PEGGY** will ask facilitators about possible dates and fees.

10. Adjournment (Gale/George)



Next Meeting Tuesday May 14

1:30 PDT 2:30 MDT 3:30 CDT 4:30 EDT