

## **ALA GODORT Steering Committee Meeting**

**May 14, 2020**

**12:00 Central time**

**Virtual**

Susanne Caro, Chair

Emily Alford, Minutes

Attendees: Susanne Caro, Emily Alford, Susan Paterson, Rebecca Hyde, Lynda Kellam, Lucia Orlando, Andie Craley, Kian Flynn, Samantha Hager, Lora Amsberryaugier, Emily Rogers, Hallie Pritchett, Vicki Tate, Kay Cassell, Simon Healey, Geoff Swindells, Jim Church, Hugh Truslow, Laurie Aycock, Shane Wallace, Hayley Johnson, Brandon Burnette, Bill Sudduth, Michael Smith.

### **Greetings**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Susanne Caro asked for group's approval of March minutes. Minutes approved.

### **Old Business**

#### **Archiving Webinars**

Susanne brought up the recent question of where and how GODORT webinars become archived. Hallie Pritchett pointed out that we should be able to load them onto our website now. No definite decisions were made, as the discussion can continue.

#### **MAGIRT/GODORT Merger**

Susanne announced that the survey sent out was well received and the overwhelming majority of respondents welcomed the idea of GODORT merging with the Map and Geospatial Information Round Table (MAGIRT). Outreach on this initiative is ongoing.

#### **Update on SCOE**

Currently there is a round table group working on creating bylaws which will be shared going forward.

## **New Business**

### **Virtual Membership Voting**

Susanne asked for thoughts on how GODORT can conduct Membership votes while meeting virtually. The option of using a poll through Connect was brought up. Discussion continues.

### **FAFLIG**

The Federal and Armed Forces Libraries Interest Group may potentially merge with us (or with us/MAGIRT). An upcoming webinar is open to anyone who wishes to attend:

Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM

### **Welcoming New Members Virtually**

Steering members discussed potential ways to reach out and welcome new GODORT members around the time of the ALA Annual Conference in the absence of meeting them and gifting with swap in person. Multiple Steering members suggested we write letters or emails to personally welcome new people and explain that we are here to answer any questions they have about our group.

### **Adjournment**

Susanne called for a move to adjourn. Adjourned.