

ALA GODORT Steering Committee Meeting  
Midwinter 2020  
January 31, 2020  
Virtual

Susanne Caro Chair  
Emily Alford Minutes

Attendees: Susanne Caro, Emily Alford, Norma Leistiko, Samantha Hager, Hallie Pritchett, Brett



- x Susanne thanked Simon for organizing Happy Hour. Simon reports that 10 people attended.
- x Maggie Farrell, from the Executive Board, assures that is not looking at taking money from round tables.
- x Susanne asks Maggie for clarification on SCOE's goals. Maggie states it is really about member engagement and services, yet without a financial structure, there is no engagement and services. Round tables do not pay an overhead, but divisions do. Kay Cassell thanks Maggie for sharing this explanation. Kay suggests that financing regarding round tables should maybe change a bit.
- x Susanne states that GODORT is interested in having more information on these financial aspects. Maggie reports that the current overhead rate is 26.5, and shares that she is attempting to push out more of this information. She will also take back to SCOE that round tables would benefit from having it. Rebecca Hyde mentions that a possibility for some round tables to stay active might be paying more of our funds to above.

#### Option of Merging

Susanne states that MAGIRT and GODORT could explore merging, as MAGIRT is in a similar position regarding numbers and both round tables have shared interests.

- x Susanne suggests having some webinars so that as many people can weigh in as possible.
- x Hallie Pritchett volunteers to work on a resolution.

#### Additional Topics

Lora Amsberryaugier wants to verify that the Technology Committee will designate a Gmail account to be used for people to submit items for the website.

- x Susanne states this fine, and she will send this out to everyone.

Lora mentions proposing that the Technology Committee proposes being a voting member.

- x Hallie Pritchett explains that according to the PPM and bylaws state that as an ongoing committee, they should be treated the same as others.
- x Vicki Tate will get back to everyone on this.

Susanne reminds everyone to post items to ALA Connect and not just the membership listserv.

#### Adjournment

Hallie moves to adjourn. Adjourned.