MINUTES

Call to Order
March 7, 2022 at 10:02 (CST)

I. Roll Call

PRESENT:

II. Approval of the October Meeting Minutes

Vicki Gregory makes the motion to approve the minutes from the October meeting. Tim Dodge seconded and all voted yes.

III. Executive Committee Officer Reports

A. President’s Report

1. Since our last Board meeting, we have had some changes to our leadership positions in SELA. Lorrie Russell has replaced Gerald Holmes as the NC state representative as of the October conference. Beth Anderson and Danielle Thornton have both had to step down from their duties as Public Libraries Section Chair and Chair-Elect, so I reached out to the current list of PLS members to appoint a new chair. Alana Maghan from Greenville Public Library has agreed to serve as chair for 2022 and will attend our next board meeting.

2. Finally, after over a decade of service, Michael Hooper and Gina Garber have transitioned out of the SELA webmaster role as of February 1, 2022. Our new webmaster is Adam Branscum from Laman Public Library.
3. The most up-to-date version of the SELA Leadership directory is available on the Box link that Kristin sent to everyone. This Box link allows you to access each SELA Board meeting folder where all reports, minutes, handouts, etc. are kept.

4. The Executive Committee has met twice so far in 2022. We are presenting the budget for Board approval as well as the officer nomination list.

5. I also want to work with Bill and the Resolution Committee to make a resolution in honor of Michael and Gina’s webmaster service and send them a certificate of appreciation.

6. Check requests for this year include payment to Gordon for Admin Services, Adam for webmaster stipend and website redesign, Michael and Gina’s last payment, and UPS.

7. Crystal, Sarah, Robin, and I are meeting regularly with the MLA/SELA joint conference planning committee and things are moving along quickly. The conference theme is: Libraries Uncensored. I will send emails to MLA chairs and SELA chairs of all of the sections/committees/round tables in order for you to connect and possibly collaborate on any conference activities.

   B. President-Elect’s Report

   Crystal Gates

   Annual conference for 2022 will be on October 11th – 14th in Meridian MS; social time and trivia time are on the table. Keynotes are supposed to be really good. Philip is going to send Melissa a list of all current MLA chairs and MD hopes to connect SELA chairs with MLA chairs to maybe have a joint sessions.

   C. Past-President’s Report

   Tim Dodge

   Planning Committee Chair: see attached report

   Nominating Committee Chair: See attached report

   Rebecca Rose moved to accept the presented officer slate for 2023-24 election and it was seconded by Stephanie Adams. All approved.

   D. Administrative Services’ Report

   Gordon Baker

   See attached report

   E. Treasurer’s Report

   Vicki Gregory

   See attached report Vicki went over the proposed budget and there was no discussion. Tim Dodge made a motion to accept the 2022 budget, Crystal Gates seconded, all approved.

   F. Archivist’s Report

   Camille McCutcheon
IV. *The Southeastern Librarian* Editor’s Report  
Ashley Dees

See attached for Ashley’s full report. She asked for volunteers to review articles. Sarah M., Becky, and Rebecca volunteered.

V. State Representative Reports  
Representatives

**ALABAMA:** ALLA conference moving from April to July 28-Aug 1 this year. Conference will be in-person

**ARKANSAS:** ARLA conference will be Oct. 14-16, in-person, at Fort Smith

**FLORIDA:** FLA/FLACRL new board/elections. Conference will be in-person May 23-25. Mohamad will send advocacy effort links to SELA listserv with updates from FLA.

**GEORGIA:** Legislative Day update: GA librarians setting up City Hot Dogs food truck at the capitol as well as giving legislators prints from a local artist. Ben will send a link to GLA’s new strategic plan.

**KENTUCKY:** Not present

**LOUISIANA** – see attached report; LLA formally invites SELA for a joint conference in NOLA (possibly) for the 2023 conference, July 7-9. Blair made the motion and Crystal seconded. All approved

**MISSISSIPPI:** The MLA/SELA Joint Conference is set for October 11-14 at the Riley Center in Meridian, MS. Sarah will send out a call for proposals in the next week. Conference theme, logos, planning, keynotes, and activities are all being planned now and everyone is excited! The conference will be a hybrid conference for online attendees (not pursing online presenters) and the committee is trying to make the conference experience worthwhile for in-person attendees, but also engaging for online attendees. Sarah updated the group on censorship issues targeting public libraries plaguing the state at the moment.

**NORTH CAROLINA:** Lorrie thanked all who were a part of the NCLA/SELA joint conference last fall. NCLA will send SELA a check by April after they determine which attendees of the 79 SELA members were also NCLA members at the time. NCLA will have their Leadership Institute in 2022 and next conference will be in 2023.

**SOUTH CAROLINA:** Not present

**TENNESSEE:** TLA conference is April 12-14 in Knoxville. Stephanie updated the group on the concerns of several censorship issues plaguing the state. Melissa encouraged everyone to send this type of information to the SELA listserv and asked if anyone objected to her working with
the Resolutions Committee to create a censorship statement on behalf of SELA for our website. No objections were made so Melissa will pursue this resolution.

VIRGINIA: Not present

WEST VIRGINIA: Not present

VI. Committee Reports

Committee Chairs

AWARDS: Gordon has emailed the awards chairs a list of interested committee members. All awards chairs present (Kate, Peggy, Lorene, and Bill) said they are in the process of emailing out reminders to submit nominees for all of the award categories. August 1 is the deadline for submitting winner information to Gordon to order award plaques/certificates.

BUDGET:

CONFERENCE

CONSTITUTION AND HANDBOOK

CONTINUING ED AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

LEGISLATIVE

LISTSERV

MEMBERSHIP: See attached report.

MENTORING

NOMINATING

PLANNING: See attached report

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MARKETING

WEBSITE

VII. Section Reports

Section Chairs

LIBRARY EDUCATION
REFERENCE AND PUBLIC SERVICES

RESOURCES AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

SCHOOL AND CHILDREN’S LIBRARIAN

SPECIAL LIBRARIES

TRUSTEES AND FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES: Gordon will reach out to the MLA trustees group to discuss program proposals. He also plugged the ALA censorship issues toolkit and shared the link.

UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE LIBRARIES: See attached report. Rebecca reminded everyone to spread the word about the New Voices award offered to librarians with less than 5 years of professional service. They increased the award amount from $150 to $200. Winner will be published in SELn and present at conference. July 29th is the deadline to submit a paper to Rebecca.

VIII. Round Table Reports

AFRICAN-AMERICAN ISSUES
CIRCULATION AND RESERVES: See attached report. Stephanie S. is still the chair and will conduct an election later this year. The group currently has 7 active members.

ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

LIBRARY INSTRUCTION: John and Sarah are planning to host a coffee/chat Zoom session, hopefully in May. These have been popular with members in the past as a way to connect on specific instruction issues.

NEW MEMBER ROUNDTABLE: See attached report. Lauren met with her members last month and they are looking to plan something for the joint conference/partner with MLA.

IX. New Business

A. Webmaster Transition

Melissa Dennis

Adam Branscum was officially introduced as the new webmaster. SELA board members are encouraged to reach out to Adam for suggestions to the website. Adam hopes to revitalize the SELA website by summer, focusing on reducing redundancy, fixing broken links, making the site more accessible and more mobile-friendly.
B. Announcements, Etc.

All

Gordon reminded the board that two SELA display boards can be mailed to state representatives for FREE to use at any state conference. Melissa will send out a Doodle poll to set up a SELA Board meeting in May.

Adjourn at 11:31 am CST

Melissa Dennis
Planning Committee Report

SELA Board Meeting

March 7, 2022

Strategic Planning Goals Document: The final draft was submitted to President Melissa Dennison January 19. (Am attaching a copy here in case needed).

New Committee Members: Administrative Services Coordinator Gordon Baker sent a new list of SELA members who expressed an interest in serving on this committee. I sent out an inquiry to both the members who had served in 2021 plus the new potential members requesting confirmation of interest in serving in 2022.

Based on replies received, 7 out of 14 members from 2021 expressed interest in continuing and 5 out of 22 new names did so too. Created a new e-mail distribution list and have sent out a Doodle Poll to set up a virtual meeting in late March.

New Business: as I informed the updated committee membership, the Planning Committee’s big project has already been completed but I think it will be useful to make introductions, provide a copy of the recently submitted strategic goals document to the new members, and to possibly generate ideas for one or two smaller scale possible project(s) for 2022.

Submitted by:

Tim Dodge
Planning Committee Chair and
SELA Past-President

SELA Planning Committee: Suggested Goals with Recommendations for Action
Submitted January 2022

Goal #1: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

The Planning Committee has identified three goals concerning long-range planning for SELA that relate to trends and issues of concern to libraries in the Southeastern region of the United States. They include Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; Open Access/Freely Available Resources; and Grants and Scholarships/Association Membership Growth. Below is a description or definition of each of these three goals followed by suggestions for how to go about achieving each goal. These suggestions are purely advisory but may help the Executive Committee and Board take action should they decide to pursue any of these goals.

Goal Number One: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.
This goal is addresses long-standing concerns in librarianship (at least as far back as the Civil Rights era of the 1950’s and 1960’s) and those more immediately sparked by racial and socioeconomic inequities made more obvious by the COVID-19 pandemic and the large number of recent police killings of African Americans. Addressing problems relating to diversity, equity, and inclusion would both strengthen librarianship (and SELA) and it would at least begin to address some of the destructive effects of systemic racism and exclusion afflicting our society.

**Recommendations for Achieving this Goal:**

Create paths to librarianship within divisions/roundtables/committees.

Deliver professional development tailored to diverse populations.

Survey SELA membership to identify professional needs relating to DEI.

Focus on recruitment and retention of diverse members.

Advocate for needed staff, training, and infrastructure.

Conduct regular surveys concerning DEI.

Target library services to individuals of diverse geographic, cultural, socioeconomic backgrounds, individuals with disabilities, and individuals with limited functional literacy or information skills.

Provide information about available scholarships for minority students on the SELA website. There likely are library staff members in the region of diverse/minority background considering attending library school.

A useful resource to consider is the “Libraries Respond: Black Lives Matter” webpage hosted by the American Library Association (see [https://www.ala.org/advocacy/diversity/librariesrespond/black-lives-matter](https://www.ala.org/advocacy/diversity/librariesrespond/black-lives-matter)). It defines terminology relating to racism and diversity, a Plan of Action, and numerous links for more information.

The Joint Council of Librarians of Color, established in 2015 to advocate for and address the common needs of the American Library Association ethnic affiliates, will host a conference October 5-7, 2022 in St. Petersburg, Florida. See [https://www.jclcinc.org/jclc-2022/](https://www.jclcinc.org/jclc-2022/). In addition to publicizing the conference via the SELA listserv, perhaps, the SELA Executive Committee and Board might consider approving travel, lodging, and registration funding for one or more officers to attend.

Support diversity and inclusion efforts in school libraries, especially for underserved or impoverished communities, through a mentoring program for new/early career BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and other People of Color) librarians; the establishment of a SELA BIPOC group
(round table or committee), and offer or sponsor a conference program proposal on BIPOC Librarianship at a SELA joint conference.

Perhaps have a dedicated column concerning DEI or a section for DEI-related news in *The Southeastern Librarian*.

Support SELA members’ effort to identify and implement strategies to recruit and retain a more diverse workforce in their libraries.

Host regional workshops, conferences, and other events to foster more equitable access to library information, services, programming, and spaces.

**Goal #2: Open Access/Freely Available Resources**

**Goal Number Two: Open Access/Freely Available Resources.**

Thanks to the development of the Internet and increasingly sophisticated computer technology, there is a growing general expectation that information should be available online and without cost to the end user. Contributing factors include a growing proliferation of both electronic and print resources while at the same time many libraries continue to experience flat or sometimes declining acquisitions budgets.

Most, if not all, states now maintain a tax-supported online library of databases that are freely available to citizens of those individual states. There are, however, many other online information resources that are indeed freely available to anyone with an Internet connection but problems of identifying reliable resources and sometimes in using such online resources exist.

SELA could potentially play a role in identifying such resources, promoting their use, and, generally, helping libraries become more directly involved and relevant as the public increasingly goes online for its information needs.

**Recommendations for Achieving this Goal:**

Build partnerships with other library and educational organizations in the twelve-state region. Provide opportunities for interorganizational training or educational sessions. In order to promote open access resources, SELA members may need to partner with various organizations to get more information, but even if this communication isn't necessary we can promote and publicize open access resources offered by various organizations. This activity will benefit Southeastern American citizens in need of information, and it will benefit the organizations whose free resources we promote/publicize.

The information provided above can be shared with different SELA Sections, whose members can then inform the public of open access resources available to them. Specifically, the following SELA Sections may benefit from this information: Library Education Section, Public Libraries Section, The Reference and Public Services Section, School and Children's Librarians Section, Special Libraries Section, and the University and College Library Section. The Special
Libraries Section in particular may be a good one to work with by joining them in conducting workshops, seminars, and/or webinars on open access resources.

Note: This is the description of the Special Libraries Section (from SELA's website): “The Special Libraries Section of SELA provides librarians with the opportunity to exchange ideas and information through **meetings, workshops, seminars**, and other means of communication. Also, the Special Libraries Section helps to promote the development of special librarianship in the Southeast.

Values: confidentiality/privacy, democracy, education and lifelong learning, intellectual freedom, preservation, and the public good.

Inquiry and innovation.

Cooperation with the American Library Association and other related groups including parties outside the education and library professions such as community groups and legislators.

A somewhat complex but important recommendation: To support free and universal access to information and library resources, ensure equal access to information for all, and to promote resource-sharing programs, SELA will establish and maintain formal communication links with governing agencies associated with academic, public, children and schools, and special libraries personnel emphasizing the important of ongoing continuing education around open access resources and, by extension, of open access and freely available resources.

Survey SELA membership to identify specific open access needs.

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**Goal #3: Grants and Scholarships/Association Membership Growth**

**Goal Number Three: Grants and Scholarships/Association Membership Growth:** This is a combination of two goals in one, largely because there are some interconnections that can be made.

While SELA has long maintained the Frankenthaler Scholarship, there is room for considering additional possible scholarships or at least grant opportunities. In turn, this can help with growth of the SELA membership. Below are listed some potential ideas for implementing grants and scholarships and encouraging association membership growth.

**Recommendations for Achieving this Goal:**

One or more membership campaigns might be a good idea. Such a campaign might include a gift membership drive with current members purchasing a new membership for colleagues or friends. This could also be done by issuing a challenge prior to a joint state library association conference to recruit X number of new members from the state in which the joint conference is being held. This would not be expensive since a new membership is $10 for the first year. This could be publicized by including it on a conference registration page. Other possibilities might be
holding a prize drawing for new members or contacting lapsed members with an offer to rejoin at the new members’ rate. (This last suggestion might be controversial since lapsed members are not technically new members).

Another campaign tactic might be to direct a new members campaign at specifically children and school librarians. Apparently, a number of these librarians have been alienated by the recent reorganization of the American Library Association; SELA might be a good new professional association home.

Fundraising for scholarships/grants. This would be in addition to but not replacing the Frankenthaler Scholarship. Methods might include an online silent auction and a prize drawing with a nominal ticket purchase.

Some sort of needs assessment survey to distribute to the membership via the listserv. This might be a good way of both identifying areas where SELA may be lacking but also a way of identifying strengths which could be used for promoting membership. Also, this might help identifying areas where grants and or scholarships could be established. Such a survey could also be sent to lapsed members to find out why they did not renew their memberships.

Stakeholder involvement. This idea might need development but one way of encouraging this would be to give SELA members an opportunity to “have a say” by actively soliciting their opinions and participation.

Promotion/public relations might include highlighting new members, publishing job opportunities available in the Southeastern states. (Note: this last suggestion is already being done via the “Jobs” listing on the SELA web site but, perhaps, some sort of enhanced push via the SELA listserv at times might be useful since some members may not think to check the web site). Also, SELA State Representatives could play an active role in promotion/public relations. Similarly, SELA could be promoted to area library schools (note: I believe this has been done in recent years but the initiative needs to be kept up over time).

Promote innovation of high-impact programs/services: this could be promoted via some sort of association award or via the SELA web site or perhaps the focus of an article or perhaps a regular column in The Southeastern Librarian.

Focus on Equity/Diversity/Inclusion (yes, relates directly to Goal #1 covered previously).

Strengthen association infrastructure perhaps via non-conference social events online or local. Stress SELA membership pride through swag and online branding. Note: SELA has, in the past, made available such swag as pens and note pads.

Publicize more obviously paths to leadership within sections, round tables, and committees. This is especially important for early career or new-to-SELA librarians who may not be aware of such opportunities.

Specific Examples to Consider as Models for SELA: (See the following nine recommendations/ideas below).
On ALLA's [Alabama Library Association] website, it says, "One of the major goals of the Alabama Library Association is to have a greater number of professionally educated librarians in Alabama. To make this possible, the Association provides scholarships to those residents of Alabama who wish to enter library school but need financial assistance." On the same page, 2 scholarships are listed: the Alabama Library Association Memorial Scholarship and the Centennial Scholarship.

Several possible relevant examples to consider are on this website: [https://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-major/library-science-scholarships/](https://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-major/library-science-scholarships/)

More information information on ALA's website ([https://www.ala.org/educationcareers/careers/librarycareerssite/gettinghelpfinancial](https://www.ala.org/educationcareers/careers/librarycareerssite/gettinghelpfinancial)):

**ALA Scholarship Program**

The American Library Association offers many general scholarships along with specialized scholarships targeted to support staff, youth services, school media specialists, and members of underrepresented groups.

**Financial Assistance for Library and Information Studies**

This annual directory describes awards from state library agencies, national and state library associations, local libraries, academic institutions, and foundations that give some form of financial assistance for undergraduate and/or graduate education programs in library and information studies.

**IMLS listing of scholarships (being developed)**

**Initiative to Recruit a Diverse Workforce**

The Association of Research Libraries offers a stipend of up to $5,000 to attract and expose new library professionals from underrepresented groups to careers in academic and research libraries.

**ALA-Accredited Programs**

Contact individual graduate library education programs for information about specific financial assistance opportunities available at that institution.

**Library and Information Technology Scholarships**

The Library Information Technology Association sponsors four scholarships to encourage the entry of qualified persons into the library and information technology field.

The South Carolina Library Association offers an annual scholarship for diversity. The committee has held silent auctions of items for raising funds. At least one member of the committee has also served on the Association’s Roundtable for African American Concerns. [https://www.scla.org/scholarship-for-diversity-in-librarianship-committee](https://www.scla.org/scholarship-for-diversity-in-librarianship-committee)
The SCLA Scholarship for Diversity has also conducted karaoke nights, and other events, as well as silent auctions to raise funds for the scholarships. Such in-person events could be employed in the future assuming the COVID-19 pandemic comes to an end.
Nominating Committee Report
SELA Board Meeting

March 7, 2022

Revised Slate of Nominations: One of the nominees for President-Elect withdrew on January 28. President Melissa Dennis held an e-mail vote to approve the modified slate of nominees for the 2023-2024 biennium on January 31 with the Executive Committee approving of the following:

President Elect: Laura Slavin (University of Alabama in Huntsville)
Treasurer: Becky Bickford (Mississippi State University)
            Vicki Gregory (University of South Florida)
Secretary: Bernadette Johnson (Francis Marion University)
            Bill McRee (Florence County Library System – South Carolina).

Next Step: Pending SELA Board approval, I will notify each nominee individually and solicit brief biographical information plus a digital photograph to use in preparing the ballots. (This will be passed on to Gordon Baker, SELA Administrative Services).

Submitted by:

Tim Dodge
Nominating Committee Chair and
SELA Past-President
SELA Administrative Services Activity Report
March 7, 2022

DATABASE
• Regular maintenance
• Continued Working on Honorary Members.
• Only active Honorary Members are now included in reports.

MEMBERSHIPS
• Processed memberships
• Compiled March 2022 membership report for SELA Board.
• Sent renewal notices for 2020, 2021, and January to March 2022. A total of 225 renewal notices were emailed.

SELA ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES EMAIL
• Responded to emails received or forwarded to appropriate members of the Board

SELA ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE DUTIES
• Continued to update the SELA Leadership Directory.
• Worked with BookPal.Com for the distribution of book to Summer Conference Attendees
• Worked with SELA Archivist Camille McCutcheon on different archival projects. Visited the SELA Archives at Valdosta State University, January 4-7, 2022.

Zoom Usage – 2021/2022
• SELA Executive Committee Meeting – December 6, 2021
• Archivist/Admin Services Meeting – March 2, 2022
• SELA Executive Committee Meeting – March 3, 2022

**Upcoming Zoom Meetings**
• SELA Board Meeting – March 7, 2022
• Archivist/Admin Services Meeting – March 9, 2022
## SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

**FY2022 Draft Budget for approval by SELA Executive Committee**

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### SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

**FY2022 Draft Budget for approval by SELA Executive Committee**

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SELn Editor Report

March 7, 2022

Issues:

- The spring 2022, 70(1), issue is in progress.
- The winter 2022, 69(4), issue has been published.

Kennesaw repository downloads of SELn articles and issues:

- October 2021- 1,540 downloads
- November 2021- 2,677 downloads
- December 2021- 1,027 downloads
- January 2022- 984 downloads
- February 2022- 1,039 downloads
- March 1st-4th, 2022- 150 downloads

  o Downloads of the fall 69(3) issue as of March 4th at 9:00am:
    ■ Full issue: 87 downloads
    ■ All downloads per issue: 265 downloads
    ■ Top Referrers:
      o Digital Commons (Kennesaw Repository): 178 downloads
      o Google: 19 downloads
      o Google Scholar: 9 downloads
    ■ Top individual downloads:
      o Book Review_ Low Country: A Southern Memoir: 43 downloads
      o Covid-19 Impacts on Electronic Resource Usage at a Regional University: 42 downloads
      o Distilling a Collection: Creating a Distilling, Fermenting, and Brewing Special Collection at the James E. Walker Library: 39 downloads

  o Downloads of the winter 69(4) issue as of March 4th at 9:00am (available for 5 days):
    ■ Full issue: 22 downloads
    ■ All downloads per issue: 96 downloads
    ■ Top Referrers:
      o Digital Commons (Kennesaw Repository): 75 downloads
      o Google Scholar: 4 downloads
    ■ Top individual downloads:
      o Where Did All the Journals Go?: 20 downloads
      o Strick Mask Enforcement in an Academic Library: 17 downloads

Book Review Guidelines:
• Guidelines have been updated and additional documents created to help book reviewers create quality book reviews.
  o Documents updated or corrected: The Southeastern Librarian Book Review Guidelines, The Southeastern Librarian’s Tips for Writing a Good Book Review, and Book Review Examples from The Southeastern Librarian.
• These documents have been provided to the SELA Webmaster and will be added as PDFs once he gets to the updates for that section of the website.

Call for Reviewers:

• We need members willing to serve as article reviewers! Email me (aesorey@olemiss.edu) if you are interested or would just like to learn more about the process.
Hi Kristin,

I don't know if it is too late for a board report for Monday's SELA meeting, but at our last board meeting, LLA voted to add SELA to a joint conference for 2023.

Thanks,
Blair

Blair Stapleton
Tennessee State Representative, Southeastern Library Association
SEL A Board Meeting Report: March 7, 2022 – Follow-up to oral report given during the meeting

The TLA Advisory Council and Executive Board met virtually on December 14, 2021. The chair of the TLA Legislative Committee’s responsibilities have been updated to including serving as the point person for the Tennessee Library Ecosystem Committee (TLEC).

A scaled down version without speakers of Library Legislative Day was held in-person in Nashville with options for virtual meetings on March 15. Library employees were encouraged to register in order to receive a packet of information to present to their legislators. After registration, library staff was responsible for scheduling their own office visits by contacting legislators directly.

Tennessee is experiencing a high volume of proposed legislation that will affect libraries if passed. The list of these bills as compiled on March 10 by the TLA Library Legislative Monitor, Andrea Zielke, is attached. Ms. Zielke also posted a list of background reading about some of the book and curriculum challenges to the TLA listserv which is also attached.


The TLA 2022 Conference “Cultivate Community” will be held from Tuesday, April 12 through Thursday, April 14 at the Knoxville Convention Center. More information including the conference schedule and the link to registration can be found here. The next TLA Advisory Council and Executive Board meetings are scheduled for April 12, 2022 and will be held at the conference.

I emailed Gordon Baker on March 11 to request the SELA display for upcoming TLA Conference.

Respectfully submitted by:
Stephanie J. Adams
TLA/SELA Representative
March 16, 2022
Status of Library Legislation in Tennessee – March 10, 2022


As introduced, prohibits a public institution of higher education from taking certain actions with regard to divisive concepts and the ideologies or political viewpoints of students and employees; revises the duties of an institution's employees whose primary duties include diversity; requires each institution to conduct a survey of its students and employees to assess the campus climate with regard to diversity of thought and the respondents' comfort level in speaking freely on campus and to publish the results on the institution's website. - Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 7.

HB 2670- Sponsored by Reps by Sexton C, Gant
SB 2290- Sponsored by Senator Mike Bell

Current Status:
Received from House, Passed on First Consideration
Placed on Senate Regular Calendar for 3/14/2022 at 4 PM CT (not sure if you can testify...)


Obscenity and Pornography - As introduced, excludes local education agencies, public schools, and employees and private contractors of LEAs or public schools from the exception to certain obscenity offenses if the LEA, public school, employee, or private contractor possesses obscene material that is harmful to minors on public school premises; prohibits an LEA or public school from making obscene materials or materials harmful to minors available to students in the school libraries controlled by the LEA or public school. - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 9 and Title 49.

SB1944 - Sponsored by Senator Joey Hensley

Current Status:
Placed on cal. Education Administration for 3/16/2022 at 3:30 PM CT
- To testify - email Chair White (rep.mark.white@capitol.tn.gov) at least 24 hours in advance with your talking points
Placed on Senate Education Committee calendar for 3/16/2022 at 1 PM CT
Textbooks (and supplemental materials) removing LGBTQ Content -
Textbooks - As introduced, prohibits the state textbook and instructional materials quality commission from recommending or listing, the state board of education from approving for local adoption or from granting a waiver for, and LEAs and public charter schools from adopting or using textbooks and instructional materials or supplemental instructional materials that promote, normalize, support, or address lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, or transgender issues or lifestyles. - Amends TCA Title 49.
HB0800 by *Griffey , Warner
SB1216 by *Niceley

Current Status:
- Rec. for pass. if am., ref. to Calendar & Rules Committee
- Placed on Senate Education Committee calendar for 3/16/2022 at 1 PM CT
- To testify - email Chair Lundberg (sen.jon.lundberg@capitol.tn.gov) at least 24 hours in advance with your talking points

Age-Appropriate Materials Act of 2022 - Link to bill -
Local Education Agencies - As introduced, enacts the "Age-Appropriate Materials Act of 2022"; requires each public school to maintain, and post on the school's website, a list of the materials in the school's library collection; requires each local board of education and public charter school governing body to adopt a policy to establish procedures for the development and review of school library collections. - Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6.
HB 2154 - Sponsored by Representatives Lamberth and Gant
SB 2407 - Sponsored by Senator Jack Johnson

Current Status:
- H. Placed on Regular Calendar for 3/14/2022 at 5 PM CT
- Rcvd. from S., held on H. desk.
School Library Coordinator - [https://www.capitol.tn.gov/Bills/112/Bill/HB1667.pdf](https://www.capitol.tn.gov/Bills/112/Bill/HB1667.pdf)

Education, Dept. of - As introduced, creates a Tennessee state library coordinator position within the department; establishes the duties of the Tennessee state library coordinator. - Amends TCA Title 49.  
**HB1667** - Sponsored by Representative Sam Whitson

**SB1784** - Sponsored by Senator Jon Lundberg

**Current Status:**

Placed behind the budget

- Recommended for passage with amendment/s, refer to Senate Finance, Ways, and Means Committee

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Children - As introduced, enacts the "Parent Bill of Rights Act," which requires LEAs to permit parents to have access to certain information, including the names of instructors, titles available in the school library, teacher manuals, and curriculum; requires parents to provide written consent before a student can participate in any extracurricular activity, family life lesson, field trip, school assembly, or guest speaker event; prohibits certain healthcare practitioners from providing medical treatment to a minor without parental consent or an appropriate court order. - Amends TCA Section 14-4-103; Title 49 and Title 63.  
**HB 2451** - Sponsored by Representative Terri Lynn Weaver

**SB 2360** - Sponsored by Senator Janice Bowling

**Current Status:**

- Placed on s/c al Health Subcommittee for 3/15/2022 at Noon CT
  - To testify - email Chair Ramsey (rep.bob.ramsey@capitol.tn.gov) at least 24 hours in advance with your talking points
- Placed on Senate Education Committee calendar for 3/16/2022 at 1 PM CT
  - To testify - email Chair Lundberg (sen.jon.lundberg@capitol.tn.gov) at least 24 hours in advance with your talking points

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Public Library Boards - Link to bill - [https://www.capitol.tn.gov/Bills/112/Bill/HB2549.pdf](https://www.capitol.tn.gov/Bills/112/Bill/HB2549.pdf)

As introduced, requires the library board to annually publish on the library's website the report the library board currently provides to the county or city legislative body, at its first meeting of each fiscal year, setting forth its capital and operational receipts and expenditures for the preceding fiscal year. - Amends TCA Title 8; Title 10; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 49.
This is a caption bill- placeholder bill that will be amended.

**HB 2549** - Sponsored by Representative Justin Lafferty

**SB 2688** - Sponsored by Senator Mark Pody

**Current Status:** Assigned to General Subcommittee of Senate Education Committee

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**Eliminating local gov prohibitions of handguns at libraries** - Link to bill -


Firearms and Ammunition - As introduced, revises various provisions governing the prohibition or restriction of weapons at meetings or on property owned by a private or government entity, including eliminating the prohibitions a local government can place on possession of a handgun in certain locations such as libraries, child care agencies, buildings containing a law enforcement agency, and facilities that administer a Head Start program; removes the limitation of the concealed carry restriction to only persons with an enhanced handgun carry permit; makes other related changes. - Amends TCA Title 39.

**HB 2521** - Sponsored by Representative Jerry Sexton

**SB 2521** - Sponsored by Senator Joey Hensley

**Current Status:**

Placed on s/c Civil Justice Subcommittee for 3/15/2022 at 9 AM CT

-To testify, email Chair Russell (rep.lowell.russell@capitol.tn.gov) at least 24 hours in advance with your talking points

Passed on Second Consideration, refer to Senate Judiciary Committee

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**Additional Resources**

- [Tennessee Code Unannotated](#)
- [Find My Legislator](#)
- [TN Bills to Law Process](#)
Background Reading on Book and Curriculum Challenges

Tennessee

*New*


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**Blount County**


**Hamilton County**


https://www.chattanoogan.com/2021/10/13/436546/Vile-Content-In-The-Libraries-At-The.aspx

https://www.chattanoogan.com/2021/12/6/439621/County-School-Board-To-Name-Special.aspx


**McMinn County**

ACLU asks for meeting details on McMinn School Board’s Maus decision. (2022, February 10). WDEF. [https://www.wdef.com/aclu-asks-for-meeting-details-on-mcminn-school-boards-maus-decision/](https://www.wdef.com/aclu-asks-for-meeting-details-on-mcminn-school-boards-maus-decision/)


Roane County
[https://www.roanecounty.com/content/concerns-raised-about-library-books](https://www.roanecounty.com/content/concerns-raised-about-library-books)

Williamson County

Exum, A. (2022, Jan 29). 7 books will undergo 'adjustments': Objections from group lead to changes in usage at Williamson county schools. The Tennessean Retrieved from [https://www.proquest.com/newspapers/7-books-will-undergo-adjustments/docview/2623530143/se-2?accountid=33208](https://www.proquest.com/newspapers/7-books-will-undergo-adjustments/docview/2623530143/se-2?accountid=33208)

**Other states:**

*New*

Book bans have reached levels not seen in decades -- but nationwide activism to oppose them is growing, too. (2022, March 1). PBS NewsHour. [https://www.pbs.org/newshour/education/book-bans-have-reached-levels-not-seen-in-decades-but-nationwide-activism-to-oppose-them-is-growing-too](https://www.pbs.org/newshour/education/book-bans-have-reached-levels-not-seen-in-decades-but-nationwide-activism-to-oppose-them-is-growing-too)

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March 4, 2022

University and College Section SELA Board Report

Rebecca Rose

We launched the call for papers for the New Voices award for professional librarians who have less than five-year’s experience. We were able to secure $200 from EBSCO to sponsor the award, a $25 increase from two years ago. Also, we were able to offer a poster session for the upcoming SELA conference, and the article will be published in SELn. Papers must be submitted by July 29th, 2022 by emailing rebecca.rose@ung.edu.
We held a successful meeting on February 25th. We are a small group (only 7 people) so if anyone is interested in joining, we welcome you 😊😊. We have some interest in the chair/vice-chair position so hopefully we will hold a vote during our next meeting (date & time tbd).
We had a meeting on February 24 to discuss ideas for programming, the SELA/MLA joint conference, and the elections for Secretary and Vice-Chair later this year.

Best,
Lauren Geiger (she/her/hers)
SELA NMRT Chair