

**Southern New England Law Librarians Association (SNELLA)
Annual Report 2014-2015**

2014-2015 was another successful year as SNELLA was busy with educational programs, changes to the organizational structure, and improvements to our documentation procedures.

In December, the Education Committee held a lunch program in Hartford to introduce the membership to the Connecticut State Library's off-site storage facility. Anne Rajotte described some new remote-access digital services and resources offered there. In addition, Catherine Mazur talked about several new initiatives at the Judicial Branch Libraries. Approximately 10 members attended.

In January the SNELLA Board approved a donation to LLNE's Service Committee's book drive. Their service initiative, "Outreach to Public Libraries," amassed a core collection of important legal titles to donate to a public library in each of the New England states as a way to increase access to legal information to those who might not otherwise have it.

Also in January, the Board voted to disband the Placement Committee, which functioned mainly to distribute information on job opportunities nearby. Those duties were absorbed into the Website/Listserv Committee. At the same meeting, the Board agreed to create a Google Drive folder to store documents such as minutes and agendas until a more permanent solution is found.

In May, SNELLA hosted a successful lunch program in Hartford, hosted by Kristin Karr. Approximately 15 members attended. The event overviewed the new eRegs system in Connecticut which provides online access to state agency regulations. The system went live in July and is current as of the 2013 update.

The Scholarship Committee, led by Tiffany Camp, consolidated and remade the scholarship applications to make them easier to use. The committee created an instruction sheet to help choose scholarship recipients through a grid based point system. Lucy Fazzino was awarded the \$1,000 scholarship to attend the AALL Annual Meeting.

The Board, led by Catherine Dunn, began revisions to the bylaws to update the antidiscrimination clause. In addition, the Board agreed to completely review the bylaws over the next year to make substantial changes. Section 22 regarding advocacy will be removed due to its confusing wording. There will no longer be multiple membership categories, so the sections related to life and associated members will be removed. The individual membership category will be broadened to account for the other membership categories. In addition, the board voted to change the membership calendar period to July-June from January-December. Work to finalize these changes will occur in the upcoming year.

Membership remains steady at approximately 50 members. Catherine Dunn, SNELLA President for 2015-2016, left the region for a new position, so Chris Graesser graciously agreed to remain as Past-President for an additional year.

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