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# **AALL Library Systems and Resource Discovery Special Interest Section Chair Annual Report, 2020-2021**

The 2020-2021 LSRD-SIS Executive Committee consisted of: Kevin Carey, Chair; Larissa Sullivant, Vice-Chair; Elizabeth Manriquez, Secretary/Treasurer; Heather Buckwalter and Keelan Weber, Members-at-Large; and Jessica Pasquale, Past Chair. Committee Chairs were: Kevin Carey, Education Committee, Jessie Tam, F.R.O.G. Committee, Keiko Okuhara, Local Systems Committee; Jessica Pasquale, Nominating Committee; Christopher Thomas, OCLC Committee; and Barbara Ginzburg, Web Advisory Committee.

## **Activities and Accomplishments**

### **Section Re-Naming and Bylaws Update:**

After 40-plus years of life as AALL's "Online Bibliographic Systems Special Interest Section," the membership voted at the July 2020 Annual Business Meeting to re-name the section as the "Library Systems and Resource Discovery Special Interest Section." The membership then voted to update the section bylaws to incorporate the new name and standardize the language throughout.

The re-naming was the culmination of a several-years-long process which began with member feedback in the 2017 OBS membership survey; a board-



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**Programming and Professional Development:**

The LSRD-SIS Chair heads the section's Education Committee. The programming proposal and selection timeline for the 2021 AALL Annual Meeting was delayed quite a bit due to uncertainty about whether there would



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### **Online Content:**

OCLC Committee chair Christopher Thomas shared regular OCLC updates, including recordings and notes from virtual OCLC Cataloging Community meetings.

### **Website Review:**

The LSRD website was initially updated by AALL to replace all instances of the previous section name or abbreviation with the new ones, and the board and Web Advisory Committee continued the ongoing process of website review in order to keep the site current with documentation and reports.

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The Nominating Committee, chaired by Jessica Pasquale along with Jen Fell and Ismael Gullon, put forward a slate of candidates for officer positions for 2021-2022. The election took place in May with the following members being elected to the Executive Committee: Keiko Okuhara, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect; Chris Todd, Secretary/Treasurer; and Rachel Evans, Member-at-Large.

The board has also proposed the creation of a new Membership Committee to be discussed at the 2021 LSRD Business Meeting. This committee would focus on member recruitment, retention, engagement, promotion, and support, and could include a mentorship program if there is sufficient interest.

**Summary:**

2020-2021 was a successful year for LSRD-SIS amidst challenging circumstances. We were successful at providing quality programming in a virtual setting at the Joint Summit and Virtual Meeting last year and expect to do so again this July. The working relationship with the TS Professional Development Committee was so helpful and reflects the strong partnership between our sections. Personally, it has been a gratifying and meaningful experience to be the first chair of LSRD-SIS. Many thanks to all our board members, committee chairs and representatives, and any other members who have pitched in for LSRD.

Respectfully submitted,

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