

LLOPS

Law Librarians of Puget Sound

2019-20 Annual Report
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LLOPS officers for 2019-20 were Stephanie Wilson, President; Carly Eyler, Vice President / President Elect; LeighAnne Thompson, Treasurer; Karen Whitney, Secretary; and Kate Stockert, Past President.

Nominations & Elections:

LLOPS elected Mark Desierto as President-Elect / Vice President and Angela Gonzalez-Curci as Secretary, both to serve in 2020-21.

President's Award for Excellence:

Crystal Alberthal received this award during the June 2020 virtual LLOPS business meeting.

Chapter Programing:

The LLOPS Programs Committee, co-chaired by Maya Swanes and Crystal Alberthal, organized several terrific in-person and virtual presentations for our monthly meetings. Topics included the current federal government information landscape, tactics for teaching legal research, strategies to manage law libraries during the pandemic, and strategies to promote library services during the quarantine.

Additionally, Vice President / President-Elect Carly Eyler planned the LLOPS Holiday Party in December, sponsored by Thompson Reuters.

Connection and Community:

The Social Committee, chaired by Jessica King, hosted two after work happy hour events in the fall and winter. Our newsletter (LLOPSCited), edited by Angela Gonzalez-Curi, published four issues. Our University of Washington iSchool Liaisons coordinated a LLOPS member's presentation in an iSchool course and represented LLOPS at iSchool social events.

Due to Covid-19, several LLOPS committees did not spend all their allocated funds. LLOPS donated a portion of remaining committee funds to Northwest Harvest, a local nonprofit that works directly on food security and racial justice in our community.

New Initiatives

Listserv Platform:

Due to cost, LLOPS decided to cease using L-Soft (managed by AALL) for our listserv. We investigated several options and will select a new platform in September.

Racial Justice and Anti- Oppression Work:

In June, the LLOPS Board issued a statement of solidarity with the Black Lives Movement. The statement is available [here](#). The Board committed to providing tools and support that would help members confront systemic racism and oppression across our communities. This support may include training, education, or volunteer work coordinated by LLOPS. The LLOPS Board will survey our membership this fall to identify options of interest to our members.