



## VALL Executive Meeting | March 22, 2023 (Zoom)

**Attending: Alex Everitt, Beth Galbraith, Rebecca Tomlinson, Stephanie Karnosh, Tori Shewchuk, Ronit Landon, Kurtis Kolthammer, Caroline Nevin,**  
**Regrets: Clare Asquith Finegan, Rachel Wertheim**

### AGENDA

- February 15, 2023 meeting minutes - approved
- Reports & New Business
  - **President** – *Alex Everitt*
    - Thomson Reuters Proview/TTA bundling update
      - Alex, Beth, Caroline, Katherine Melville attended meeting with TR Head of Canada, Steve Assie and Allan Akizuki
      - Meeting happened, Steve didn't really hear our concerns of how TTA's affecting law firms; some changes to communication; but no move to change the TTA bundles; traction for individual firms in pushing back and encouraging lawyers to review LMA contracts and discuss options, even those without LMA's can push back on bundles and pricing
      - VALL reached out to CALL/ACBD Vendor Liaison Committee and TALL about our letter and meeting with Steve; so far does not seem to have as much traction as our membership
      - Is there value to making this more public, like a SLAW blog? Let's keep this discussion going, how this could be written, the angle
      - Beth asked if others rec'd a Proview survey from TR today – no, just Beth
  - **Vice President** – *Caroline Nevin*
    - Peter Bark Bursary update
      - No applicants, two emails and personal reach out with those who expressed interest
      - No program released yet for CALL Conference; maybe one more push after program released
      - Response from Julie & Brenda about using their Peter Bark funds
        - Julie waiting for info on New Librarians Institute
        - Brenda – Project Mgmt course, sent some info to Alex
  - **Past President** – *Rebecca Tomlinson*
    - Recruitment update
    - No updates, looking at VP, Treasurer, Programs
    - Do we ever do a general email, to solicit interest from new members
    - Rebecca to draft

- **VALL Review** – *Beth Galbraith, Rachel Wertheim*
  - Spring 2023 Issue update
    - Sent out request for updates, vendors, new members
    - Feature article – vendor relationships, requesting submissions from various members
    - Web editor, President column – April 5
    - April publishing

- **Treasurer** – *Ronit Landon*

There has been no action on my end – no new expenses or income – so here’s just a summary of the account balances:

- **VALL Operating Account:**
  - \$10,588.77
  - \$151.30 in Membership Shares
  - = \$10,740.07 (*No changes since last report*)
- **Peter Bark Bursary Account:**
  - \$1,756.08 in Savings
  - \$3,000 Non-Redeemable Annual Term (matures September 7, 2023)
  - \$8,580.75 3-year escalating term deposit (matures September 4, 2024)
  - \$1,000 3-year escalating term deposit (matures September 9, 2025)
  - \$188.34 in Membership shares
  - = \$14,525.17 (*No changes since last report*)
- **PayPal account:**
  - \$98.18 remaining in the PayPal account just in case (*No changes since last report*)
- **Programs** – *Tori Shewchuk, Stephanie Karnosh*
  - Good turnout for Coffee Morning @ Harris & Co.
  - April Session – Cheryl Landes, April 13, 2023, Zoom
    - Usability on Indexing - topic
    - Will send Programs a draft of presentation
    - \$150 USD; CLE to sponsor this speaker fee, free to members
    - Payment, speaker to initiate invoice for payment
  - June Social
    - Looking at social, looking at venues
    - Hard to charge lots of money if no substantive component
      - \$15 or so for a cocktail social
      - Could ask for sponsorship, Lexis; TR, ask them to cover fee for PayPal
      - Lunch or after work event?
        - Could we ask speaker who could not come to December event to speak
        - Lunch – plated?
        - After work social – VALL covers food

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- **Membership** – *Clare Asquith Finegan (away)*
  - Will be back April,
  - Membership directory update to be completed on her return
  
- **Web Editor** — *Kurtis Kolthammer*
  - No new business

Next Exec meeting – after April 13 session.