

CALL/ACBD (PLL-SIG)

Annual Report 2019 - 20

May 2020 – Virtual

PLL-SIG Chair(s): Rebecca Tomlinson, Michael McAlpine

Activities and initiatives that the committee has completed during this past year:

In 2019/2020, we:

- recruited Michael McAlpine as co-Chair, replacing Carolyn Petrie;
- ran a facilitation exercise at our business meeting during the 2019 CALL Annual Conference to identify top PLL membership concerns and interests;
- successfully submitted a conference session for the 2019 conference, featuring Senior KM Manager Al Hounsell, discussing robots in law;
- successfully submitted two conference sessions for the 2020 conference, though their presentation may be done virtually at a later date in 2020, or in 2021. Topics included APIs and how to use them, and KM competencies;
- held monthly topical meet-ups on PLL-SIG Slack workspace, with most months increasing attendance;
- held special meet-up open to all CALL/ACBD members to discuss how they and their libraries were responding to COVID-19;

Activities and initiatives that the committee hopes to tackle for the next business year:

Our plans for the coming year are to:

- conduct annual business meeting virtually;
- recruit a new Chair and/or co-Chair to replace current co-Chairs;
- offer targeted training on how to use Slack, as required;
- continue to increase engagement and communication between PLL-SIG members; through continued monthly meet-ups;
- explore video conferencing tools to use *in addition* to Slack channel communications;
- evaluate other options for increasing member dialogue;
- propose and/or solicit a feature-length article for the CLLR of particular interest to the PLL-SIG membership
- submit a topic suggestion to the Professional Development Committee for a webinar or other learning opportunity, based on PLL-SIG membership; and,
- sponsor at least one session at the next annual Conference

