Technology Committee Meeting Minutes

2018 ASLCS Professional Development Seminar
Madison, Wisconsin
September 27, 2018

Call to Order
The meeting of the Technology Committee was called to order by Joshua Babel (Ariz.), chair.

Attendance
The following members of the committee were present: Josh Babel, chair (Ariz.), Scott Kaiser (Ill.), vice chair, Andrew Carpenter (Colo.), Sarah Curry (Ore.), Jacquelyn Delight (Calif.), Joy Engelby (Mo.), Robert Haney (Texas), Michael Jackson (Va.), Jay Jacobs (Ky.), Crystalline Jones (Alaska), Becky King (Ky.), Ann Krekelberg (Alaska), Erica Manson (Va.), Julie Martyn (Wis.), Carrie Maulin (Idaho), and Ethan Strutton (Mo.).

Approval of Minutes
Upon motion by Crystalline Jones (Alaska), seconded by Ann Krekelberg (Alaska), the minutes from the meeting at the NCSL Legislative Summit in Los Angeles were approved.

Old Business
Robert Haney (Texas) stated the major duty for the Technology Committee was to produce a session for the annual Professional Development Seminar each year, but the committee is trying to expand that. The committee is charged with reviewing the Society’s Facebook policy and the website for Inside the Legislative Process. The committee needs to review, and update if necessary, the group of administrators responsible for this each year.

Ann Krekelberg (Alaska) mentioned that the concurrent session the Technology Committee presented was very informative, but the slides and visual aides were difficult to see from all areas of the room. It was mentioned that the Technology Committee could possibly come up with a set of hints or guidelines to post prior to next year’s Professional Development Seminar to assist members with creating their presentations to address this issue.

New Business
Joshua Babel (Ariz.) moved on to new business and the order of ASLCS President Pat Harris (Ala.) for the Technology Committee to work with the Roster Committee and move forward with publishing the Roster online in a usable format. Joy Engelby (Mo.) will act as a liaison between the two committees.

There was a discussion of inviting new vendors to the Legislative Expo and possibly other events next year to introduce new ideas or technologies that would be beneficial to all attendees. One idea was Microsoft and showcasing some of their Office 365 capabilities. Becky King (Ky.) mentioned possibly reaching out to some of the vendors that attend the NALIT conference and see if they would be interested in attending our conference as well. Robert Haney (Texas) suggested the committee work early to generate a list of potential sponsors, and to be sure we work with the Host State Committee to coordinate our efforts.
Joshua Babel (Ariz.) moved on to ideas for next year’s Professional Development Seminar in Seattle, Washington. Scott Kaiser (Ill.) suggested a discussion centered on how different states broadcast their legislative sessions and committee hearings, and whether it was handled internally or outsourced to a Public Access Channel. Another suggestion for a topic brought up by Scott Kaiser (Ill.) was if any chambers were transcribing their floor sessions, and the challenges and successes they have had doing that. As a final suggestion for concurrent topics in 2019, Sarah Curry (Ore.) mentioned social media topics and policies as they relate to members and chambers.

Adjournment
Upon a motion by Carrie Maulin (Idaho), seconded by Julie Martyn (Wis.), the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joy Engelby (Mo.)