

CALA Southeast Chapter Annual Report

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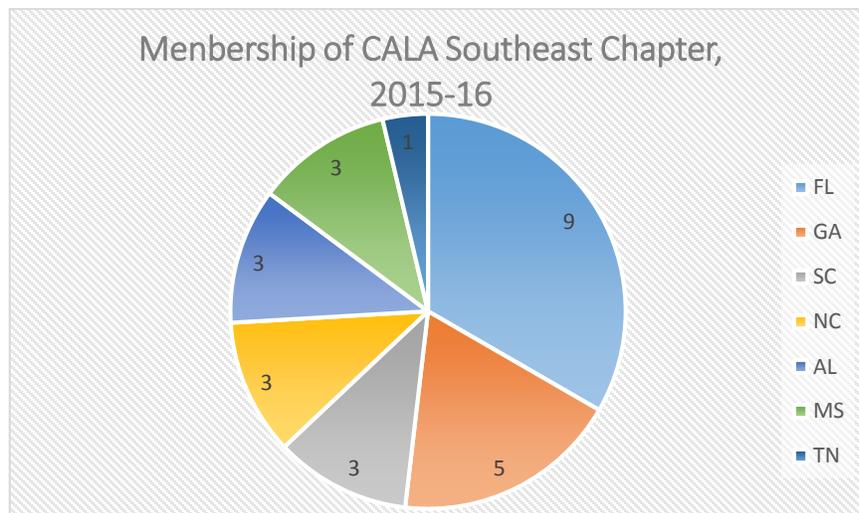
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Committee Charge:

Chinese American Librarians Association Southeast Chapter was established in April 2007. It is a chapter designed to fulfill CALA's goals and to better serve the Southeast Chapter's members from seven states: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.

The members are from all types of libraries including academic, public, and special libraries. The Chapter would like to bridge the libraries in China and in the United States by providing contact and connection through various types of activities, events, and programs. The Chapter also provides its members with an open and collegial forum to discuss current and relevant issues and to meet their colleagues who are involved in various aspects of librarianship.

According to the statistics provided by the CALA Membership Committee, the 2015-16 membership of CALA Southeast Chapter is shown below, by Chapter States:



Goals and Objectives Completed:

1. Accomplished the officer recruitment process

The Chapter successfully recruited its new officers during 2015-16. The Nomination Committee of the Chapter started the recruitment process of its 2016-17 Vice President/President Elect and its 2016-18 Treasurer position in February, 2016. Call-for-contribution emails have been sent out by the Committee Chair (Yingqi Tang (tang@jsu.edu)) in March, and the recruitment process has been accomplished in May. The Committee got two candidates for the two positions after the recruitment process, and soon the Committee moved into the election process in late May. The election process is from May 24th to June 7th, and before mid-June, the candidates will be announced by the Committee whether or not they have been elected for the two officer positions.

2. Organized the 2016 CALA SE Chapter and SW Chapter Joint Online Conference Meeting

Xiaojie Duan (xiaojie.duan@usm.edu) organized the 2016 CALA SE Chapter and SW Chapter Joint Online Conference Meeting on May 11th, 2016. The joint online conference is the 2015-16 annual program of CALA SE Chapter, it is also the first joint-annual-program the Chapter has. Six officers attended this online meeting, including two Chapter Presidents. The meeting went 1 hour from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm CST and discussed issues related to the coming joint-online-conference, including:

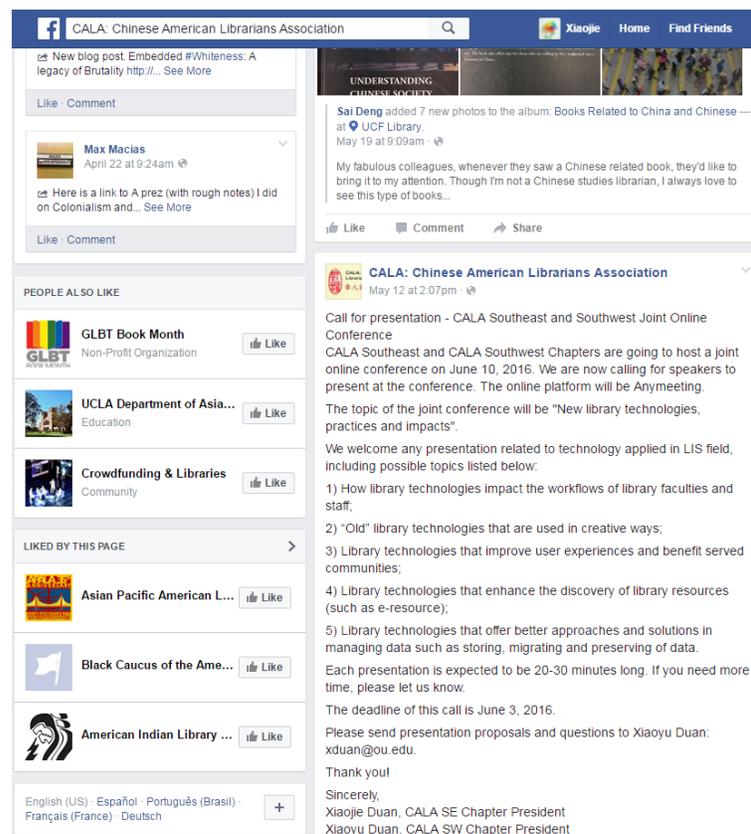
- 1) Conference draft (by SW Chapter President);
- 2) Conference call-for-paper scheduling;
- 3) Conference speakers;
- 4) Conference schedule;
- 5) Conference platform;
- 6) Other issues.

After meeting, the meeting members agreed that:

- 1) The attendees agreed to broad the conference topic, changing the old concept of “library technologies” to “library technologies, impacts, and practices.” New conference concept could include: How library technologies impact the workflows of library faculties and staff; “Old” library technologies that are used in creative ways; Library technologies that improve user experiences and benefit served communities; Library technologies that enhance the discovery of library resources (such as e-resource), and Library technologies that offer better approaches and solutions in managing data such as storing, migrating and preserving of data. The attendees also suggested that the title of the conference should be reviewed by native speakers;
- 2) The conference is on June 13th, 2016, and it is a half-day-conference. The conference manager need to send out the call-for-proposal as soon as possible, and leave at least one week for presenters to prepare their presentations. The deadline of call for proposal is scheduled on June 3rd, 2016, and the SW President will draft the call-for-proposal and send it to all attendees for comments and modifications;
- 3) The conference will have a keynote speaker. The SW Chapter President will try to contact one library lab manager and ask whether he would like to be the keynote speaker and talk about his library technology programs. Also, the conference speaker should not be limited to CALA members only. Speakers who have LIS background and who have topics related to library technologies are welcome to submit proposals. All attendees are encouraged to find speakers who are interested in the conference topic and are able to do presentations.

- 4) The original conference schedule is longer than expected. New conference schedule will give 1 hour for keynote speaker plus QA section, 40 minutes to each section presenter plus QA section. New conference schedule is showed below (CST):
- 9:00 -10:00 Keynote speaker + QA
 - 10:00-10:40 Speaker 2 + QA
 - 10:40-11:20 Speaker 3 + QA
 - 11:20-12:00 Speaker 4 + QA
 - 12:00-12:40 Speaker 5 + QA
- The call-for-paper could specify the schedule of each presenter. The time schedule is subject to change based on how long or short a presentation actually presents;
- 5) The conference will use AnyMeeting, an online conference software, as its platform;
- 6) There will not be a second joint meeting, following conversations will happen via emails.

Both the SW and SE Chapter President have distributed the call-for-proposal emails to CALA listservs, CALA WeChat and other social media. The SE Chapter Vice President/President Elect 2016-17 also posted the call-for-proposal information on the CALA Facebook (see screen shot).



Now 5 speakers have been found for the joint-online-conference, including the keynote speakers. The topics that speakers would like to address including library technologies of data mining and explore, big data, digital collections and archive, health science library technologies that benefit library communities, etc.

The joint-online-conference is aiming to gather more Chapter members, talk with more people, share ideas of library technologies, and know about the LIS field together. We are looking forward to your participation!

3. Completed the CALA Newsletter 2015 Fall Issue (Association-promotion oriented)

Both the two editors of the CALA Newsletter, Sai Deng (Sai.Deng@ucf.edu) and Xiaojie Duan (Xiaojie.duan@usm.edu), are SE Chapter members. Sai was responsible for collecting, compiling and editing news, and Xiaojie was responsible for designing and creating the newsletter. At the same time, both can address content and design issues.

During the materials collecting process, Sai collected news from announcements made by committees, taskforces and members in CALA's listserv, compiled sections and news on CALA's social media, membership directory and wrote for columns such as Publications and International Collaboration, while Xiaojie created the new template for the Newsletter, used new tool-online print & digital publishing software Lucidpress-for the newsletter production, changed the original layout of the Newsletter, and divided the Newsletter into several parts in order to accommodate pictures with higher pixel count and more color elements for the layout.

The CALA Newsletter 2015 Fall Issue is available online: <http://www.cala-web.org/node/1688>. The two editors are now working on the 2016 CALA Newsletter, which will come out in early June.

4. Completed the Chapter annual report

The 2016 CALA Chapter annual report is due on June 3rd, 2016 to the CALA Executive Director. Xiaojie Duan completed and submitted the report to the CALA Executive Directors on time.

Goals and Objectives to Be Completed:

There are few things that the Chapter is trying to accomplish during the following year:

1. Continue to finish the election process of Vice President/President-Elect 2016-17 and Chapter Treasurer 2016-18;
2. Continue to negotiate with the President of the CALA Southwest Chapter and discuss more about the joint online conference, including its detailed speaker schedule after the call-for-proposal process;
3. Continue to recruit liaisons for Chapter states;
4. Continue to update & maintain Chapter website.

Budget Requirements or Reimbursement Requests (if any):

No budget requirements for now. A further budget requirement maybe needed for joint online conference and website update and maintenance.

Questions/Comments/Suggestions for the Board (if any):

N/A

Summary: In a few sentences, highlight your achievements, concerns, or suggestions that you mostly want addressed. This should be the main point of your committee work:

The CALA Southeast Chapter successfully accomplished the recruitment process of its Vice President/President-Elect 2016-17 and Chapter Treasurer 2016-18, and held the 2016 CALA SE Chapter and SW Chapter Joint Online Conference Meeting. During the meeting, members from the two chapters discussed issues related to the joint conference. The Chapter President will continue contact the SW Chapter President and discuss more issues about the conference. The Chapter will also continue to recruit its officers, expand its liaison program, and will continue to keep in touch with CALA Board, CALA Committees, and other CALA Chapters at large.