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Committee/Office Charge:

IRC is charged to promote, coordinate, and support non-partisan international library related activities and programs in accordance with CALA’s strategic plan. Our major responsibilities include to promote international cooperation among librarians and libraries in Asian countries; to correspond and assist with oversea CALA members that are coming to the United States to visit; and to serve as a liaison between CALA and the ALA/International Relations Board.

Tasks completed (according to the goals outlined in the CALA 2020 Strategic Plan if applicable- be specific)

The IRC has accomplished tasks to revive the CALA 21st century librarian Forum series and other seminar programs this year. These accomplishments contribute to fulfil the goals especially in the following areas:

1. Membership Recruitment, Retention, and Engagement

Goal: Identify and develop creative and innovative programs and services to recruit, retain, and engage members locally, nationally, and internationally.

The 21st Century Librarian Forum series ceased for a couple of years, this year, the IRC was able to revive the program. These professional development, member engagement programs are able to engage members for at international level. For three programs the IRC has helped to develop this year, we have received select total of 12 presenters to participate in these programs. A good opportunity to engage members for professional development and for sharing their research and experience.

6. CALA’s Impact on the Local, State, National, and International Levels
Goal: Collaborate with members, leaders and other partners/organizations to increase CALA’s impact on the local, state, national, and international levels.

CALA 21st century Librarian forum series is a good program which has gained reputations among Chinese libraries and librarians. The IRC has worked with Pudong Library and Beijing Normal University this year to establish new programs. It also helped to advocate and promote the Yunnan program.

Particularly, the IRC has helped Organizing CALA seminar in Chinese libraries. Targeting one or two seminars in China likely in May or June 2017

a. Pudong Library

The IRC worked with Pudong Library for hosting the seminar. The seminar is set for June 12-13. IRC has discussed details and drafted agreement with Pudong Library. IRC has selected 4 presenters for the seminar, recruited the Luis Herrera, the San Francisco City Library as the guest speaker, selected Hong Cheng as the team leader.

b. Yunnan seminar

Sent out calls for Yunnan seminar to be held in July.

c. Beijing seminar

Sent out calls for Beijing seminar, and worked with BALIS to select three presenters for the seminar to be held in September (time set by BALIS).

Goals and objectives accomplished for the whole year (and highlight those accomplished after mid-year report):

The IRC has set up goals to do two to three seminar programs in China and we have completely fulfill our goal.

Goals and objectives not completed (and concerns):

The IRC has not get a chance to send representatives to attend ALA International Relation board meeting and International reception. We requested financial support from board to support IRC members for this, and was told that it is not possible to have financial support. The Reception registration fee is separate from general conference registration. We still hope the Board can provide the additional cost for attend the reception.

Budget requirements or reimbursement Requests (if any):

The registration fee for International reception is $40 for each person, hope the Board will provide support for two IRC members, with total of $80.

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

We think the 21st Century Librarian Seminar is a good brand for CALA and the Board should consider to marketing seminars in China under this brand. We also hope the CALA continue to maintain the seminar webpage and update in a timely manner.
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 report.

The IRC has had a great year with some good accomplishments, each member of the IRC made contributions in helping to negotiate two agreements with Chinese libraries, to set up calls for three seminar programs, to select presenters for two seminars.